



WEEK  
**FOUR**  
AUGUST 2024

SMALL GROUP

**2** YEAR  
-OLDS

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION  
15 MINUTES

## MADE TO MOVE

an activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn



### 1. SMALLEST TO LARGEST

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Three different-size mixing bowls with lids and gift bows

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Put the lids on each of the bowls, and attach a gift bow on the top of each lid. Place the bowls around the room.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Encourage children to find the three bowls, then arrange them from smallest to largest.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Introduce the Bible Story.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends, come stand with me. I need your help today finding three mixing bowls that are somewhere in the room. Will you help me? Fantastic!"

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "The three bowls all have a bow on them—they look like gifts. When you find a bowl, bring it to me. *(Pause.)* Hooray! You found all three bowls. Are these bowls the same size? *(Pause.)* No! Help me put them in order from smallest to largest. *(Pause.)* Is this the smallest bowl? *(Hold up the large bowl.)* No! Is this the smallest bowl? *(Hold up the medium bowl.)* No! This is the smallest bowl! *(Hold up the small bowl.)* Which one comes next? *(Pause.)* Great job! That leaves this bowl as the biggest! Thank you for helping me put the bowls in order from smallest to biggest." *(Repeat as desired.)*

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends, that was so much fun. Today in our Bible Story, we're going to hear about a very special gift that God gave us. I can't wait to hear about it!"

**TRANSITION:** Move to Worship and Story by taking a few small steps followed by medium steps and then larger steps.

## BIBLE STORY

God loves us so much that God gave us Jesus.

**GOD LOVES ME**

**JOHN 3:16; 1 JOHN 4:9-10**

## MEMORY VERSE

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful."

**PSALM 139:14, NIRV**

## KEY QUESTION

Who made you wonderful?

## BOTTOM LINE

God made me wonderful.

## BASIC TRUTH

God made me.



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CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT  
25 MINUTES

**MADE TO PLAY**  
an activity that encourages preschoolers to follow guidelines while having fun and learning new concepts



**2. PASS AND TELL**  
[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]  
**WHAT YOU NEED:** Plush Jesus doll; *Optional: "Pass and Tell" Activity Page and cardstock*

**WHAT YOU DO:**  
**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Sit in a circle on the floor with the children. *Option: Copy "Pass and Tell" on cardstock, one per Small Group. Use this illustration of Jesus instead of the plush Jesus doll.*

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**JOHN 3:16; 1 JOHN 4:9-10**

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Invite the children to sit in a circle with you, while you hold plush Jesus. Say a child's name and give plush Jesus to them to hold. While the child holds plush Jesus, encourage all of the other children to say, "God loves [child's name] so much that God gave [child's name] Jesus!" Tell the child holding plush Jesus to pass the doll to another friend, and repeat the activity. Make sure each child gets a turn.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Review the Bible Story and Bottom Line.

**MEMORY VERSE**

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful."

**PSALM 139:14, NIRV**

**WHAT YOU SAY:**  
**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Hey, friends! Come sit in a circle with me!"

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "This is my Jesus doll. (*Hold up plush doll.*) Say, 'Hi, Jesus!' (*Pause.*) I'm going to give Jesus to [child's name]. (*Give the doll to that child.*) Now I want everyone to say, 'God loves [child's name] so much that God gave [child's name] Jesus!' Say that with me! God loves [child's name] so much that God gave [child's name] Jesus! Yay! Okay, [child's name], pass Jesus to a friend. (*Continue with each child.*) Yay! God loves everyone in the whole world so much that God gave us Jesus!" (*Hold up plush doll.*)

**KEY QUESTION**

Who made you wonderful?

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "What a super-special gift Jesus is! Jesus is God's Son, and . . . Jesus wants to be our friend forever!! Thank You, God, for Jesus and thank You for making us all wonderful. God made you (*point to a child*) wonderful, and God made you (*point to a child*) wonderful, and God made you (*point to a child*) wonderful . . . (*say this with each child's name*). All together now: **Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!** One more time. **Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!**"

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**MADE TO CREATE**  
an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible Story, Bottom Line, or Memory Verse by creating a craft



**4. THREE TRUTHS BOOK**  
[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]  
**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Three Truths Book" Activity Page, cardstock, foam heart stickers, and markers

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BIBLE STORY**

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**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Copy "Three Truths Book" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on the blank on their paper. Fold each child's paper into a book. Have Each kid Color there book and add heart stickers

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Encourage children to decorate the cover of their book with crayons. On the first page on the inside of the book

On the second page of the book, ask children to add the heart sticker to the heart in the book. On the back side, encourage children to draw themselves next to Jesus.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Review the Bible Story and Bottom Line.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends, let's make a book! Come sit at the table, and we'll get started!"

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "On the front of your book, it says WONDERFUL and AMAZING [child's name], and WONDERFUL and AMAZING [child's name]. (Repeat with each child's name.) I want you to use the stamps and crayons to decorate that page. (Pause.) Super-duper! Open your book. On the first page, it says: 'God made me.' Glue your picture to the frame. (Pause.) Great! On the next page, it says: 'God loves me.' Fill the heart on your page with this big heart sticker. (Pause.) Close your book! This last page says: 'Jesus wants to be my friend forever.' See Jesus? Fill in the person outline to look like you. (Pause.) Fantastic job, friends!"

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "We heard in our Bible Story today that God loves us SO much that God gave us a super-special gift. Do you remember what that special gift is? (Pause.) That's right! JESUS is the special gift! Jesus is special because Jesus is God's Son, AND . . . Jesus wants to be our friend forever! Thank You, God, for Jesus and thank You for making us all wonderful. **Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful.**"



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### 1. STIR THE VERSE

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE REVIEW]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Memory Verse Sticker" Activity Page, and Avery® Labels #22830 or equivalent

*Note: You can find examples of hand motions in the "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF and video, included in the Prelude folder and on Pinterest.*

## BIBLE STORY

God loves us so much that God gave us Jesus.

### WHAT YOU DO:

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Copy "Memory Verse Sticker" on label paper, one label per child. Review the Memory Verse and motions.

## GOD LOVES ME JOHN 3:16; 1 JOHN 4:9-10

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Ask children to pretend to hold a bowl in one hand and a spoon in the other. Say the verse together while everyone pretends to stir in their bowl. Repeat several times, only stirring when you say the verse. Give each child a Memory Verse Sticker.

## MEMORY VERSE

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful."

**PSALM 139:14, NIRV**

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Review the Bottom Line.

### WHAT YOU SAY:

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends, come stand in a circle with me. Let's say our verse while we do the motions. Ready? 'How you (*point up*) made me (*point to self*) is amazing and wonderful,' (*push hands up twice*) Psalm 139:14. (*Open hands like a book.*) Awesome!"

## KEY QUESTION

Who made you wonderful?

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "Can you pretend to hold a bowl with one hand and a spoon in the other, like this? (*Demonstrate.*) Now pretend you are stirring something in your bowl. (*Demonstrate.*) Good job! Now let's say our verse while we stir in our bowl. 'How you made me is amazing and wonderful!' Psalm 139:14. Fantastic! Let's do it again! (*Repeat as desired.*) Whew! That was fun pretending to cook while we said our verse today. Here's a fun sticker for you that has our Memory Verse on it."

## BOTTOM LINE

God made me wonderful.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "Our Memory Verse teaches us that God made each and every one of us amazing and wonderful, inside and out! **Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!"**

## BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

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**Memory Verse Motions**



**"How you**



**made me**



**is amazing and wonderful!"**



**Psalms 139:14**