



WEEK
TWO
APRIL 2021

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR-OLDS

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO CREATE

an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft to take home



5. FISH FRY BREAKFAST

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Fish on a Stick Circle Stickers" and "Fish Fry Breakfast Label" Activity Pages; Online Labels® #OL1025WX or equivalent; Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent; clear punch cups; red, yellow, and orange tissue paper; popsicle sticks; scissors; gray or black craft tape; and a permanent marker

BIBLE STORY

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

BREAKFAST ON THE BEACH
JOHN 21:1-14

MEMORY VERSE

"How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ."

EPHESIANS 3:18, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who wants to be your friend forever?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

BASIC TRUTH

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WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Fish on a Stick Circle Stickers" on Online Labels or equivalent, two per child. Copy "Fish Fry Breakfast Label" on other label paper, one per child. Cut tissue paper into 6"x6" squares. Write child's name on the bottom of their cup.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage children to scrunch up the tissue and put it in their cup. Then help children place four pieces of tape over the opening like a pound sign. Have children place one fish sticker on each of their popsicle sticks. Add the "Fish Fry Breakfast" label to the side of the cup.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the story.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "In our story today, we heard how Jesus wanted to spend time with His friends after He went away and came back. One morning, Jesus saw His friends out on a boat so He started cooking breakfast for them."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's make a fish fry. Scrunch up tissue paper and stick it in the cup. (Pause.) Put four pieces of tape over the opening of the cup, two going away and two more across those. (Demonstrate.) Add the "Fish Fry Label" to your cup. (Pause.) Now put one fish sticker on each popsicle stick. (Pause.) Nice job! Hold your fish over the fire like this. (Demonstrate.) You're cooking fish like Jesus did!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "At Easter, Jesus went away and came back, just like He said He would. Jesus is alive! When Jesus came back, one of the things He wanted to do was spend time with His friends. One morning, Jesus' friends were fishing on a boat when they saw Jesus standing on the shore. They were so excited to see Him. One of His friends jumped out of the boat and swam to Jesus. When they all got there, Jesus was cooking breakfast. So, they sat, ate, and spent time with their best friend. Jesus is alive! Jesus loved His friends and wanted to show them that He would always be their friend, forever and ever. Jesus loves you, too, and wants to be your friend forever and ever! **Who wants to be your friend forever? Jesus wants to be my friend forever.**"



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6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Paperclipped "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Ephesians 3:18, journal, and fun-shaped pen

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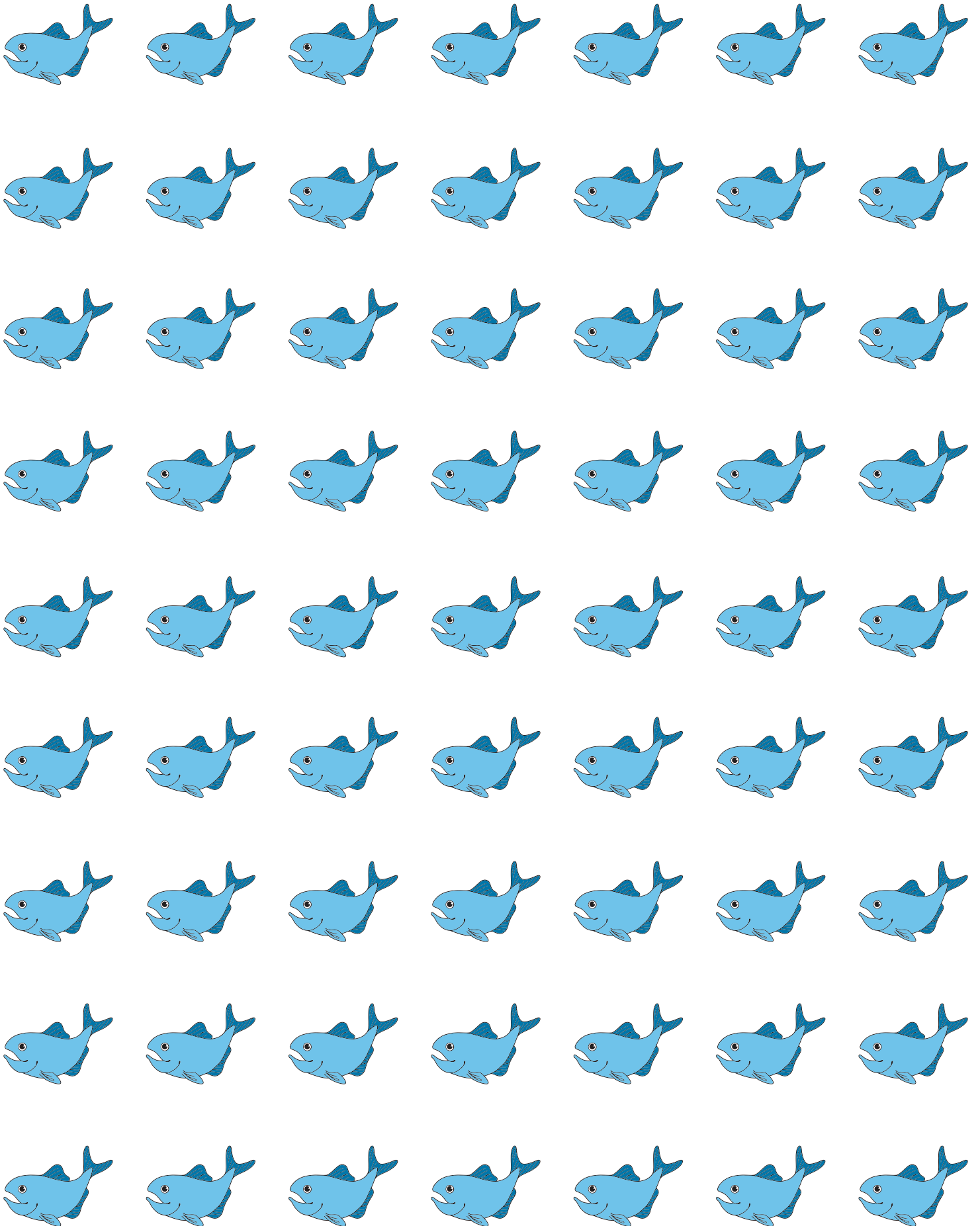
"Since Jesus made breakfast for His friends, we're going to make a list of our favorite breakfast foods today. When I say your name, tell me your favorite food to eat for breakfast, and I will write it in our prayer journal. Get ready and listen for your name! (Say each child's name and write down what they say. Remember to print the names so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)"

"Yum! These are some great breakfast foods! Let's pray and thank Jesus for all the ways He shows us that He loves us. Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)

PRAYER

SGL: "Dear God, thank You for giving us Jesus. He is the best friend ever. Thank You for the Bible and all of the true stories that teach us how great a friend Jesus is. We love how Jesus made fish and bread for breakfast for His friends. We like to eat (read the list the children made) for breakfast. I pray each child here today will follow Jesus so He can be their friend forever, too. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."



Fish on a Stick Circle Stickers • Color • *Fish Fry Breakfast* • April Week 2

Copy on Online Labels #OL1025WX. Two labels per child.

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