

WEEK

ONE

OCTOBER 2021

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

### BIBLE STORY

God has big things for us to do.

DAVID CHOSEN
AS KING
1 SAMUEL 16:6-13

# MEMORY VERSE

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid . . . for the Lord your God goes with you."

**DEUTERONOMY 31:6, NIV** 

#### KEY QUESTION

Who made you to do big things?

#### BOTTOM LINE

God made me to do big things.

### BASIC TRUTH

God made me.



# 5. BECAUSE OF HIS HEART

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Folded Heart" and "David Inside" Activity Pages; cardstock; red washable inkpads; heart stamps; scissors; wet wipes; and a permanent marker

#### WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Folded Heart" on cardstock and cut, one per child. Fold hearts on fold lines so the words are on the outside. Copy "David Inside" on cardstock and cut out, one per child. Write child's name on the back of their heart.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Encourage children to open their heart and glue David inside then stamp hearts all over it.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bible story.

#### WHAT YOU SAY:

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Hello, friends! Look on the table and tell me what you see. (*Pause.*) I see lots of Davids and lots of hearts on the table.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "Open your heart. (*Pause.*) There is nothing inside. Let's add a picture of David to the inside. (*Pause.*) In our story, Samuel was sent to do a big thing. He was sent to find the next king. Samuel looked and looked until he found David. David was young, but God chose him because of his heart. David loved God with his whole heart, and that's what God wanted for the next king. Use the heart stamp to cover your heart with lots and lots of love. (*Pause.*) Super job, friends."

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "When you fold your heart back over, the outside has words on it. It says, 'God made me to do big things.' Samuel knew that God made him to do the big job of finding the new king. And he knew that God made David to be king and lead the people when he got older. God made you and me to do big things, too. Who made you to do big things? God made me to do big things."



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# 6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Paperclipped "Memory Verse Card" in Bible at Deuteronomy 31:6; journal; a fun-shaped pen; and stickers

#### SMALL GROUP LEADER (SGL):

"David had no idea what big things God had for him to do when he was a young boy taking care of sheep. But now we know that God has big things for everyone to do. God has big things for [child's name] to do and God has big things for [child's name] and . . . (continue with each child.) That's why each of you will write your name in our journal. I can help if you need. After you write your name, you will put one of these stickers beside it.

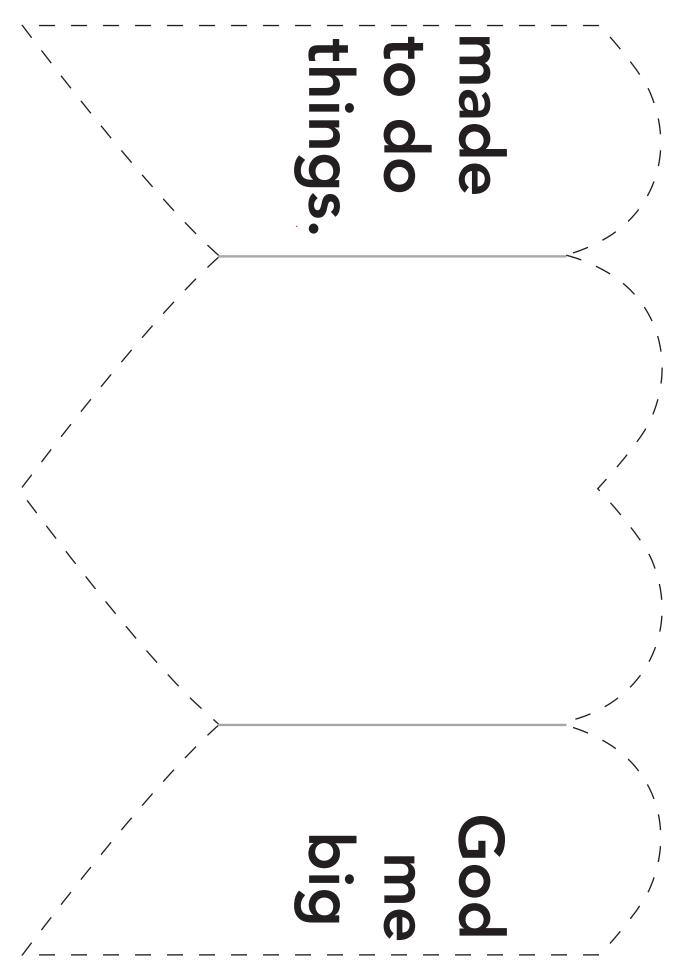
"Okay, when I say your name, you can write your name. Get ready and listen for your name! (Say each child's name and let them write it in the journal. Assist when needed and give them a sticker to put by their name.)

"This is SUPER! Now it's time to pray. Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

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

### **PRAYER**

**SGL:** "Dear God, You are amazing! You made the whole world and everything in it, and that means You made (*name each child*). And not only did You make each of them, but You made them to be super kids and do big things! I pray they will always look to You to know what to do. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."







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