



WEEK
TWO
OCTOBER 2021

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO THINK

an advanced activity specifically
designed for older preschoolers



3. FINDING SHEEP

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Plush sheep or large cotton ball

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Call for the children to close or cover their eyes. Hide the sheep or cotton ball somewhere

in the classroom. Return to the children in the activity area and tell them to open their eyes.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Play "hot" and "cold" as the children search for the sheep. The closer they are to the hidden sheep, say they're warm, hot, hotter, etc. The farther away they move from the hidden sheep, say they're cold, colder, freezing, etc. When they find the sheep, celebrate! If time allows, have the children close their eyes as you hide the sheep again.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Set the plush animal or cotton ball out of reach of children for clean-up.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, say hello to our little sheep friend! I want you to close your eyes and cover them with your hands like this. (*Demonstrate*) NO peeking! Are all eyes covered? Good!" (*Hide the sheep or cotton ball.*)

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Our sheep is hiding. Let's find it!" (*Do activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "We found the sheep! Great job, friends. Part of David's big job as a shepherd was to find sheep that wandered off and keep them safe from bigger animals! Just like God made David to do big things, God made you to do big things, too! **Who made you to do big things? God made me to do big things!**"

BIBLE STORY

God made me to do
big things anywhere.

DAVID PROTECTS SHEEP
1 SAMUEL 17:34-37

MEMORY VERSE

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not be afraid . . . for the Lord
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DEUTERONOMY 31:6, NIV

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6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

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

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SGL: "That was SUPER! Now let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.*) We go to a lot of places: church, school, the grocery store, the park, our grandparents' house, our bedroom. We go to cities and beaches, mountains and deserts. Sometimes we even fly in an airplane! And the good news is, God made us to do big things, anywhere! And because God made us to do big things anywhere, let's make a list of places we go and use it when we pray.

"When I say your name, tell me one place you go, and I will write it in our 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.*)

"These are some cool places! Let's pray and thank God for making us to do big things in all of these places. 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 such a good, good God. You are so wise and powerful. There is no one more SUPER than You! Thank You for making us to do big things anywhere, like at (*read the list the children made.*) Help us listen to You and do what You say. You are the best, God, and we love You! In Jesus' name, amen."

