



WEEK
TWO
NOVEMBER 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. GOOD FRIEND BRAINSTORM

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Butcher paper, marker, and wall tape

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Lay the butcher paper on the table. Encourage the children to gather around the table.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Ask for the children to answer the question, "What makes a good friend?" Write down their answers on the butcher paper.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: If possible, tape the butcher paper on the wall in your hallway for parents to see at pick-up.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, come to the table with me!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Tell me, what makes a good friend? I will write your answers on the page. (If none of the following answers are given, add them to the paper.) That's right! A good friend is kind. A good friend uses nice words. A good friend hugs. A good friend shares."

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "I am SO thankful God gave us good, good friends! **I can thank God for everything. Who can you thank for everything? I can thank God for everything.**"

BIBLE STORY

I can thank God
for my friends.

DAVID AND JONATHAN
1 SAMUEL 18:1-4

MEMORY VERSE

"I will give thanks to the Lord
with my whole heart."

PSALM 111:1, ESV

KEY QUESTION

Who can you thank
for everything?

BOTTOM LINE

I can thank God for
everything.

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.



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an activity that encourages personal application and prayer



6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Psalm 111:1, journal, and a fun-shaped pen

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SGL: Now, let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. *(Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.)*

"Jonathan was thankful for his friend, David, and David was thankful for his friend, Jonathan. Today, we'll make a list of friends we are thankful for. I want you to think of one friend you are thankful for. When I say your name, tell me your friend's name, and I will write it in our prayer journal. *(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.)*

MEMORY VERSE

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"Look at all of your friends' names! Let's pray and thank God for each of them. Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

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

KEY QUESTION

Who can you thank
for everything?

PRAYER

SGL: "Dear God, Thank You for our friends. Thank You for [child's name] and their friend, [friend's name]. Thank You for . . . *(continue to name each child and their friends)*. And thank You so, SO much that Jesus wants to be our friend forever. Please help us be a good friend by sharing, saying kind words, and helping others. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

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