



WEEK  
**ONE**  
JULY 2022

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. KINDNESS CARDS

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Blank postcards or greeting cards, stickers, washable markers, stamps, and washable inkpads

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Write a simple statement on each card, such as "Jesus loves you;" "Jesus wants to be your friend forever;" or "Have a happy day." Set the cards and craft supplies on the tables.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Read some of the statements on the cards to the children. Encourage them to select a card to decorate to create a kindness card for a friend or group of your church's choosing.

**NOTE:** You could take these cards to a local nursing home, send them to missionaries, deliver them to neighboring businesses, take them to your local hospital or fire station, etc.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Thank the children for creating cards to brighten someone's day and assure them you will deliver them to the people you chose. Set cards aside and gather all supplies for clean-up.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends, let's make some kindness cards! Today, we'll make cards for (tell the children about the group you chose to receive the cards)."

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "Choose a card and decorate it to brighten someone's day! This one says . . . (read one of the cards). You are doing a great job!"

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "These cards look great! I know they would certainly make my day if I received one. One way we can help others is to choose kindness! Jesus will help us show kindness for sure. When I ask, 'Who can help you do everything?', you say, 'Jesus can help me do everything.' Who can help you do everything? Jesus can help me do everything!"

## BIBLE STORY

Jesus can help me  
choose kindness.

**THE GOOD SAMARITAN**  
**LUKE 10:25-37**

## MEMORY VERSE

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way  
and the truth and the life.'"

**JOHN 14:6, NIV**

## KEY QUESTION

Who can help you do  
everything?

## BOTTOM LINE

Jesus can help me do  
everything.

## BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be  
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## MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that encourages personal application and prayer



## 6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Paperclipped "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at John 14:6; journal; and a fun-shaped pen

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

"Today, we'll make a list of ways we can choose kindness. Kindness can be giving a hug, smiling, sharing, or saying kind words. The Samaritan helped someone as a way of choosing kindness. So tell me, what can we do to choose kindness? (*Say each child's name as you write it down. Write down what they say beside their names. Remember to print so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)

"This is a wonderful list! Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

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

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### PRAYER

**SGL:** "Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to be our friend forever and help us choose kindness. Please help [child's name] choose kindness and (*read what they listed*). Please help [child's name] choose kindness and . . . (*continue with each child*). We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

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