

WEEK
THREE
JUNE 2023

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO MOVE

an activity that uses a preschooler's
natural desire to move
to help them learn



4. STICKER TAG

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Heart or smiley face stickers, music
player, and this month's music

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Invite children to play a game of
tag.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Give each child a sticker. Instruct them to dance
while the music plays and gently tag someone with their sticker when the music
stops. Hand out more stickers after each round and repeat as desired.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Talk about how we can tell people here, there, and
everywhere that Jesus wants to be their friend forever.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Hello, everyone! Come play a game of tag with
me."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "I'll give each of you a sticker and play some music.
While the music plays, I want you to dance. When the music stops, run and
gently tag someone with your sticker and say, 'Jesus wants to be your friend
forever.' (Start music.) Everybody, dance! (Pause music.) The music stopped!
Run and tag someone with your sticker! (Pause.) Repeat after me. Jesus wants
to be your friend forever. (Repeat.) Hooray! (Give each child another sticker.)
Here is another sticker for us to play again. Wait for the music. (Start music.)
Dance all around! Great dancing, friends! (Repeat as desired. If you see a child
who hasn't been tagged, tag them with a sticker.) That was so much fun!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "You did a great job of telling everyone around the
room that Jesus wants to be their friend forever.

So Peter told his friends about Jesus. Peter told his family about Jesus! Then
Peter told someone who wasn't his friend or his family about Jesus. Peter told
a man named Cornelius that Jesus is alive and He loves everyone and wants to
be everyone's friend forever.

"We can tell people here, there, and everywhere that Jesus wants to be their
friend forever! **Who wants to be your friend forever? Jesus wants to be
my friend forever.**"

BIBLE STORY

I can love everyone the way
Jesus loves everyone.

**PETER GOES TO THE
HOUSE OF CORNELIUS
ACTS 10**

MEMORY VERSE

"Jesus said,
'Come follow me.'"

MATTHEW 4:19, NCV

KEY QUESTION

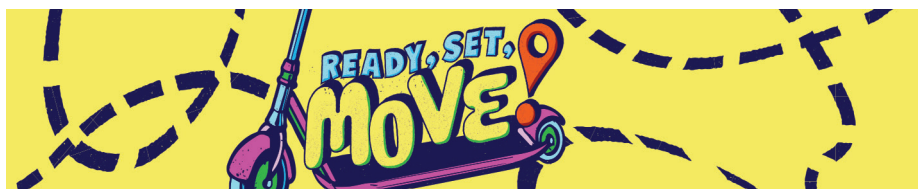
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your friend forever?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus wants to be
my friend forever.

BASIC TRUTH

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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: "Memory Verse Card" from Week One paperclipped in Bible, journal, and a fun-shaped pen

BIBLE STORY

I can love everyone the way
Jesus loves everyone.

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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.*) Since Peter wanted to love everyone the way Jesus loves everyone, I thought we could make a list of people we can love like Jesus. It can be anyone because Jesus loves everyone! When I say your name, tell me one person you can love like Jesus. [Child's name], who can you love like Jesus? (*Remember to print so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)

"Look at our list! (*Show the journal.*) Let's pray and ask God to help us love these people the way Jesus loves them. 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

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to love everyone. Please help (*name each child*) and me love everyone the way Jesus loves everyone. Help [child's name] love [name they listed] and [child's name] love [name they listed] and . . . (*continue with each child and the person they named*). We want everyone to hear the good news that Jesus wants to be their friend forever. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

KEY QUESTION

Who wants to be
your friend forever?

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BASIC TRUTH

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