

WEEK

ONE
FEBRUARY 2024

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

BIBLE STORY

Jesus loves everyone.

THE MAN WITH LEPROSY MATTHEW 8:1-3; MARK 1:40-45

MEMORY VERSE

"Be kind and loving to each other."

EPHESIANS 4:32, NCV

KEY QUESTION

Who does Jesus love?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus loves everyone.

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.



4. SPOT REMOVAL [LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Red dot stickers, and two additional helpers

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Have two helpers cover their arms with red dot stickers, one sticker per child on their

team, and sit on the floor on one end of the activity area. Divide children into two teams and line up opposite the helpers.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: When you say, 'Go!,' the first child from the line will run to their helper, remove one dot sticker, and run back to the back of their line. Once the first child returns, the second child in line can run to remove a sticker. Continue in the same way until all stickers are removed.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bible Story.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, look at our helpers—they are covered in spots! We have two helpers so let's make two teams. (*Divide children into two groups.*) I want each team to stand in a line here across from their team's helper."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "When I say go, I want one friend from each team to run and remove one red dot from their team's helper, then run back to the back of your line so the next friend can go. Ready? Go! Take one spot and run back. Next friends, go! (Continue with each child until each child has had a turn and all the spots are removed.) Yay! Our helpers don't have any spots now!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "In our Bible Story, Jesus did something no one else could and healed the man with leprosy. The man had spots all over and Jesus made him all better! Jesus loved the man when no one else did because Jesus loves everyone. Who does Jesus love? Jesus loves everyone!"



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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" Activity Page, cardstock, scissors, Bible, journal, and a fun-shaped pen

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Now let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (Open journal.) Today we learned that Jesus loved a man who had boo-boos all over his skin, because Jesus loves everyone. Who does Jesus love? Jesus loves everyone! That's right! And that means Jesus loves us when we have boo-boos! Let's make a list of boo-boos we've had. You may even have a boo-boo right now. Think about it, and when I say your name, tell me about one of your boo-boos, and I will write it in our journal. (Remember to print, as you write in the journal, so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Look! We've all had a boo-boo. And Jesus loves us, just like He loved the man in our Bible Story. Let's pray and talk to God about it. Would anyone like to pray before I pray? (Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.) Dear God, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to love everyone. Everyone gets sick and has boo-boos, like (read the list the children made), so it's really great to know that Jesus loves us when we do. Help us to love everyone, like Jesus does. We love You, God. In Jesus' name. Amen."