



WEEK
ONE
APRIL 2025

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

PRELUDE SOCIAL WORSHIP STORY GROUPS HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO PLAY
an activity that encourages preschoolers to follow guidelines while having fun and learning new concepts



2. EASTER INVITE BRACELET
[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]
WHAT YOU NEED: Pre-made Easter bracelet for each kid, assembly pack for a friend (clear bag, Easter bracelet, invite card, string, permanent marker)

BIBLE STORY
Everyone can be thankful for Jesus.
MARY POURS PERFUME ON JESUS
JOHN 12:1-8

CRAFT
Gather kids at the tables. Give each kid an Easter Bracelet for themselves. Then pass out the Easter invite card. Have them color it and raise their hand when they are done. Once a kid raises their hand, write their name on the bottom of the card. Tie the bracelet to the invite card if time allows and drop it into the clear bag. Set aside for pick up time.

LEADER: "Come on over everyone! Grab a seat. We are passing out an Easter bracelet for you! These bracelets have a cross on them to always remind us that Jesus is alive!

MEMORY VERSE
"I am alive forever and ever!"
REVELATION 1:18, NIV

Now that everyone has a bracelet, we are going to give another bracelet to a friend! Here are some invite cards that you can color! When you're done coloring them, raise your hand and a leader can help you write you name on it and put it in a bag for you! When you see a friend that you want to invite to Easter, give them this bag!

KEY QUESTION
Who is alive?



2. LOOK AND POINT
[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]
WHAT YOU NEED: "Look and Point Large" and "Look and Point Small" Activity Pages, 11x17-inch paper, 8.5x11-inch cardstock, craft sticks, and small red heart stickers

BOTTOM LINE
Jesus is alive!

WHAT YOU DO:
BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Enlarge and copy "Look and Point Large" on 11x17-inch paper, one per Small Group. Copy "Look and Point Small" on 8.5x11-inch cardstock, one per child. Place a heart sticker at the end of each craft stick, one per child and leader.

BASIC TRUTH
Jesus wants to be my friend forever.



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DURING THE ACTIVITY: Give each a child a story scene and craft stick. Use the larger version to guide the children through the story with your heart craft stick. Each time you ask the children to find something on their story scene, ask them to touch it with their heart craft stick.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bottom Line.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Hey, everyone! Come sit with me! *(Hold up your heart craft stick.)* We are going to use these heart pointers to help us talk about today's Bible Story!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "First, everyone needs a story picture and a heart pointer. *(Pass one of each to every child.)* Yay! Now we all have a story picture and heart pointer! *(Hold up your large picture.)* I am going to name things for us to find in our pictures. When you find them, point to them with your heart pointer. Got it? Get ready to look and point!

"One day, Jesus was having dinner with some friends. Look for Jesus. *(Pause.)* When you find Jesus, point to Him with your heart pointer. *(Point to Jesus on your picture with your heart pointer.)* We found Jesus!

"While Jesus was at the table, a woman named Mary came and sat at Jesus' feet. Look for Mary. *(Pause.)* When you find Mary, point to her with your heart pointer. *(Point to Mary on your picture with your heart pointer.)* We found Mary!

"Mary poured very special perfume on Jesus' feet and then wiped Jesus' feet with her hair. Look for the jar of perfume. *(Pause.)* When you find the jar of perfume, point to it with your heart pointer. *(Point to the perfume on your picture with your heart pointer.)* We found the jar of perfume!

"Jesus loved Mary and thought what Mary did was very special. Look for Jesus and Mary. *(Pause.)* When you find Jesus and Mary, point to them with your heart pointer. *(Point to Jesus and Mary on your picture with your heart pointer.)* We found Jesus and Mary! We did it! We found all the things in our picture. You are great listeners. Let's do it again!" *(Repeat as long as time and interest allow.)*

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Mary poured very special perfume on Jesus' feet to show Jesus she loved Him. It was a happy day because **Jesus is alive! Who is alive? Jesus is alive!**"