



WEEK
TWO
APRIL 2025

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
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PRELUDE SOCIAL WORSHIP STORY **GROUPS** HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO CREATE
an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible Story, Bottom Line, or Memory Verse by creating a craft



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

We can celebrate Jesus.

PALM SUNDAY
MATTHEW 21:1-11;
JOHN 12:12-15

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?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus is alive!

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.



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MADE TO THINK

an advanced activity specifically designed for older preschoolers



2. PALM PRAISE

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Palm Praise" and "Palm Praise Label" Activity Pages, green copy paper, Avery® Label #5160 or equivalent, safety scissors, and a permanent marker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Palm Praise" on green copy paper, one per child. Copy "Palm Praise Label" on label paper, one label per child.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Give each child a copy of "Palm Praise" and a pair of safety scissors. Show children how to cut along the lines. Give each child a label to add to their palm leaf. Once everyone is done cutting, line the children up in two lines facing each other and lead them in waving their palm leaves while saying, "Hosanna! Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bottom Line.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Hey, everyone! Come sit with me. Today is Palm Sunday. It's a happy day! Let's make our own paper palm leaves."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "In our Bible Story today, the people were so excited to see Jesus that they covered the road with coats and palm branches to make a special path for Jesus. And when they saw Jesus, they waved more palm branches and shouted, 'Hosanna! Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!' It was a very happy day!

"See the dotted line around the leaf on your paper? (*Point.*) Take your scissors and cut along that line all around the leaf. (*Pause.*) Super-duper! Now we can celebrate Jesus, like the people in the story, because **Jesus is alive!** Let's line up and celebrate Jesus! Okay, wave your leaves and say, 'Hosanna! Hosanna! Yay, Jesus!' (*Repeat as desired.*) Great job, everyone!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "The people in our story celebrated Jesus because they knew Jesus is special. We can celebrate Jesus because we know **Jesus is alive!** **Who is alive? Jesus is alive!** Yay, Jesus! **Jesus is alive!**"

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