



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 to take home



2. JESUS AND THE CHILDREN
[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Jesus and the Children" Activity Page, cardstock, child-safe scissors, glue sticks, crayons, and washable markers

WHAT YOU DO:
BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Jesus and the Children" on cardstock, one per child.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Ask children to color, cut the pictures along the bottom of the page, and glue them around the picture of Jesus. Encourage children to draw a picture of themselves around Jesus.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Ask the children to hold up their completed pictures as you say the Bottom Line together.

BIBLE STORY

Jesus loves me.

JESUS AND THE CHILDREN
LUKE 18:15-16

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.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Come sit with me! Let's make a picture to help us remember what we learned in our Bible Story today."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "In our Bible Story today, some mommies and daddies brought their children to see Jesus. When the children tried to get close to Jesus, Jesus' friends, the disciples, told the children to go away. What did Jesus say when His disciples did that? (Pause.) You're right! Jesus told them to let the children come to Him! Jesus loves all children, because **Jesus loves everyone.**

"Look at the children at the bottom of your picture. Color the children and cut them out. (Pause.) Glue all the children around Jesus because Jesus wants all children to come to Him! (Pause.) And since **Jesus loves everyone**, and you are a child, you can draw a picture of you by Jesus too!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Okay everyone, hold up your pictures. (Pause.) All the children are with Jesus, because **Jesus loves everyone. Who does Jesus love? Jesus loves everyone!**"



WEEK
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SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
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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 from Week One in Bible, journal, fun-shaped pen, heart stamp, and reward stickers or handstamp

WHAT YOU DO:
BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: If you do not have the "Memory

BIBLE STORY

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"Now, let's sit back down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Open journal.*) Today we're going to do something very special in our prayer journal. When I write your name, you get to put a heart stamp by your name, because Jesus loves you. Listen for your name! (*Remember to print as you write in the journal, so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*) Jesus loves, [child's name]. Come put a stamp in the journal." (*Continue with each child.*)

MEMORY VERSE

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AFTER THE ACTIVITY: (*Hold up the journal.*) "Look at all of the children Jesus loves! 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 Jesus to love (*read each child's name*). Please help (*say each child's name*) love others the way you love them. We love You, God, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

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