



WEEK
TWO
FEBRUARY

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

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



5. BOX OF CANDY HEARTS [LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Box of Candy Hearts" and "Candy Hearts Label" Activity Page; cardstock; Avery® #5294 labels or equivalent; 9"x12" booklet window envelopes; dot markers; heart and smiley face stickers; scissors; and a permanent marker

BIBLE STORY

Jesus loves me and wants to spend time with me.

MARY AND MARTHA
LUKE 10:38-42

MEMORY VERSE

"How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ."

EPHESIANS 3:18, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who loves you?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus loves me.

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Box of Candy Hearts" on cardstock and cut out, one set per child. Copy "Candy Hearts Label" on label paper, one per child. Write each child's name on their envelope.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage children to decorate a few of the blank hearts with markers and stickers and add them to their candy "box" with the printed ones. Have children add the sticker to the bottom corner of their envelope. Talk about the messages on the hearts.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Talk about how Jesus loves us so wide and long and high and deep. Recite the memory verse.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, let's make a fun craft that also celebrates love by making a big box of candy hearts!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Have you ever seen candies that are heart-shaped and have words on them? (Pause.) They look a lot like these fun hearts we decorated and played games with. You each have some of these to put in your candy box, but you also have some blank hearts to decorate just the way you want. Color the blank hearts and make them special. (Pause.) These are awesome! Great job! Put all of your hearts inside and make sure you can see them through the window! (Point out the clear pane on the front of the envelope.) Now add your sticker to the corner right here. (Point.) Look how fun your hearts are peeking through! I see a heart that says, (read one of the messages) and one that says, (read another heart)! Jesus loves you so very much. His love is wide and long and high and deep!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Let's say our memory verse together. 'How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,' Ephesians 3:18. Great job! Jesus loves you and wants to be your friend forever. **Who loves you? Jesus loves me.**"