



WEEK
FIVE
JULY 2022

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO THINK

an advanced activity specifically
designed for older preschoolers



3. SYMBOL BINGO

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Symbol Bingo Cards" and "Bingo Symbols" Activity Pages; cardstock; scissors; and pom poms

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Symbol Bingo Cards" on cardstock, one per child. Copy "Bingo Symbols" on cardstock and cut apart, one set per group. Place a "Symbol Bingo Card" and handful of pom poms at each spot at the table. Stack the "Bingo Symbols" facedown on the table.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage the children to find a spot at the table and point out the bingo cards and pom poms. Draw a Bingo Symbol from the pile and hold it up for the children to see. Tell the children to find the matching symbol on their card and cover it with a pom pom. Continue in the same way until you've held up all nine symbols and their cards are covered. If time allows, let the children switch cards with a friend and play again.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Collect all Bingo cards, Bingo symbols, and pom poms for clean-up.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, find a spot at the table. All summer, we've been learning how **Jesus can help me do everything!** He can help us show love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control! Do you see the symbols on your page? They represent each of these things! When I hold up a symbol, I want you to find it on your card and cover it with a pom pom to play Bingo.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Are you ready? Here we go. (Use the dialogue below to review each symbol and what they represent as the children mark them on their cards.)

(heart card) "A heart reminds us that Jesus can help us show love.

(smiley face card) "A smiley face reminds us that Jesus can help us have joy!

(teddy bear card) "A teddy bear to hug reminds us that Jesus can help us have peace.

(clock card) "A clock reminds us that Jesus can help us have patience.

(heart in hands card) "Two hands holding a heart reminds us that Jesus can help us show kindness.

BIBLE STORY

Jesus can help me
choose self-control.

**WHEN JESUS IS
YOUR FRIEND FOREVER**
JOHN 3:16

MEMORY VERSE

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way
and the truth and the life.'"

JOHN 14:6, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who can help you do
everything?

BOTTOM LINE

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everything.

BASIC TRUTH

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an activity that encourages personal application and prayer



6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Paperclipped "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at John 14:6; journal; fun-shaped pen;

BIBLE STORY

Jesus can help me choose self-control.

**WHEN JESUS IS
YOUR FRIEND FOREVER
JOHN 3:16**

"Now let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.*)

"Today, everyone gets to choose one of our fruits to go by your name in our prayer journal. (*Draw each fruit as you name it.*) We have the heart for love, smiley face for joy, teddy bear for peace, clock for patience, heart and hands for kindness, candle for goodness, high-five for faithfulness, feather for gentleness, and muscle arm for self-control. When I say your name, pick a story sticker to go by your name. (*Say each child's name as you write it down. Let them pick a fruit to put by their name. Remember to print so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)

MEMORY VERSE

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life.'"

JOHN 14:6, NIV

"This looks great! Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

(*Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.*)

PRAYER

SGL: "Dear God, thank You for giving us Jesus to be our friend forever. Thank You that Jesus can help [child's name] choose [fruit child chose]. Thank You that Jesus can help [child's name] choose [fruit child chose]. Thank you . . . (*continue with each child and their fruit*). We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

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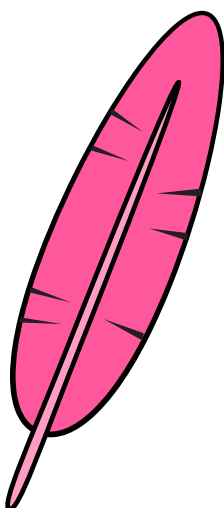
FAITHFULNESS



GOODNESS



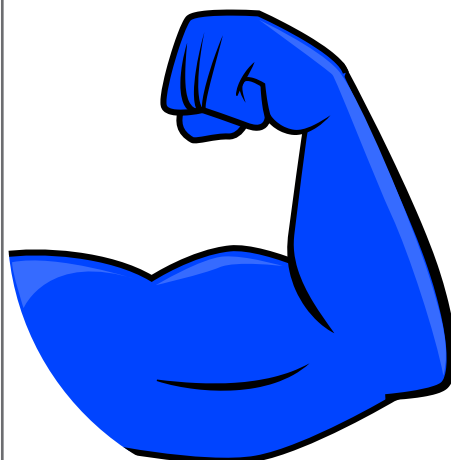
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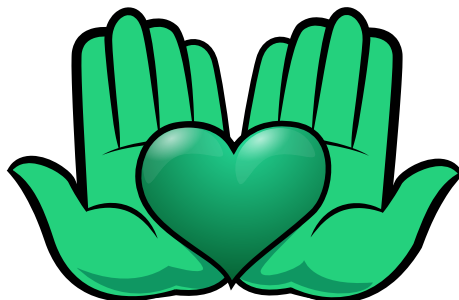
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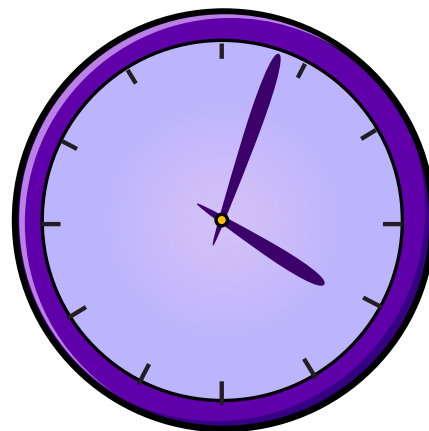
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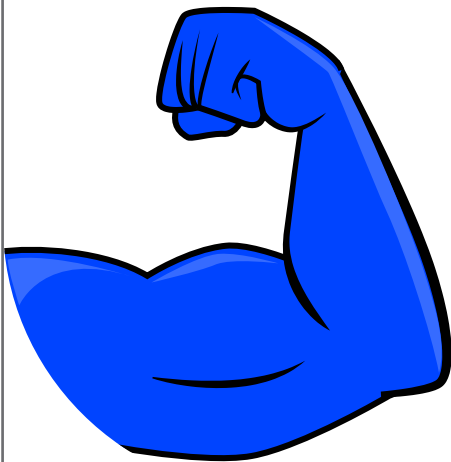
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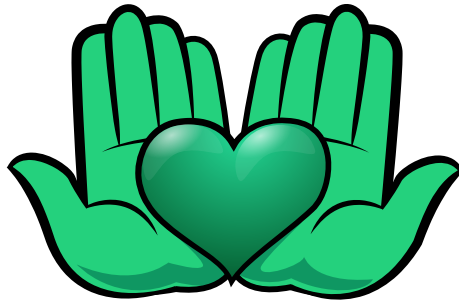
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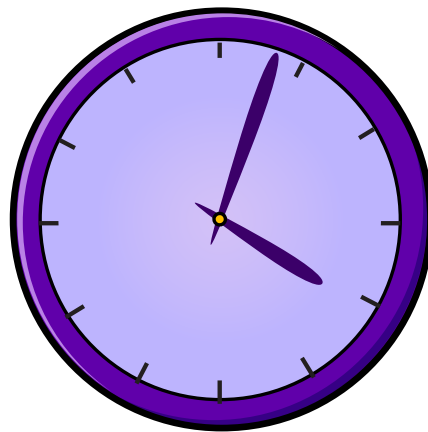
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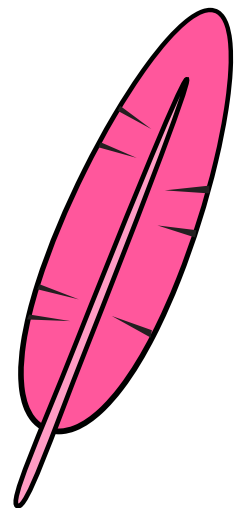
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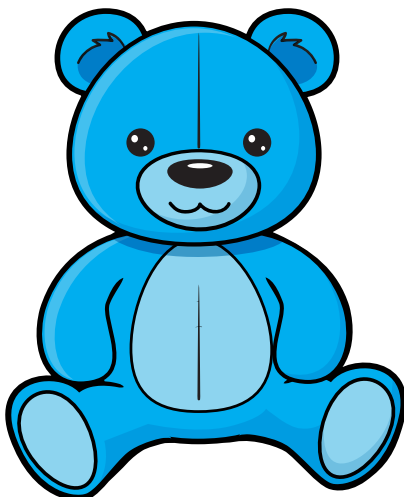
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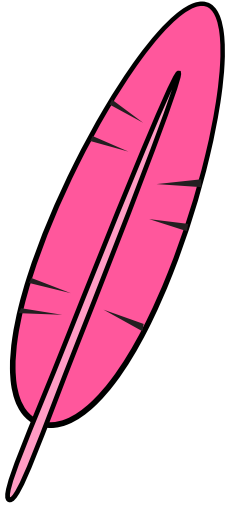
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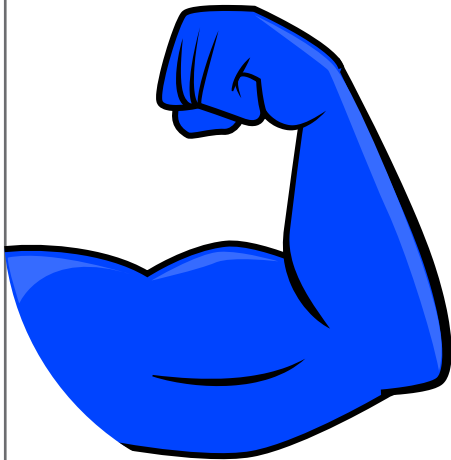
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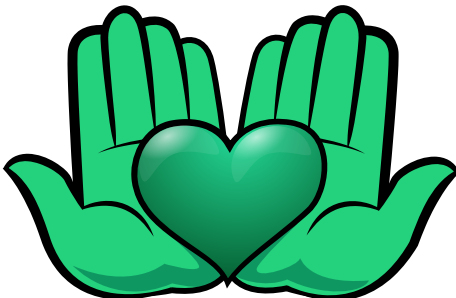
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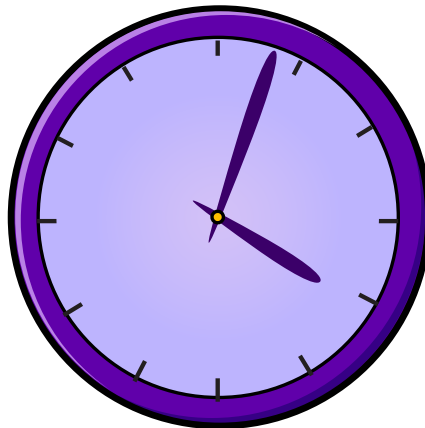
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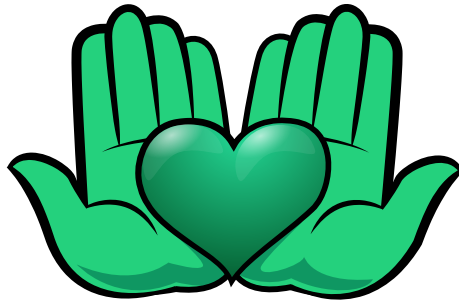
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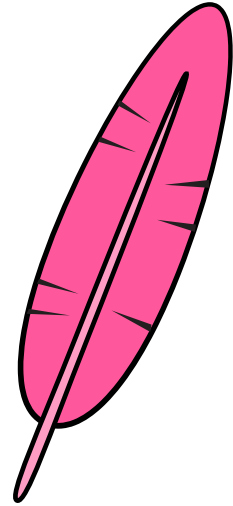
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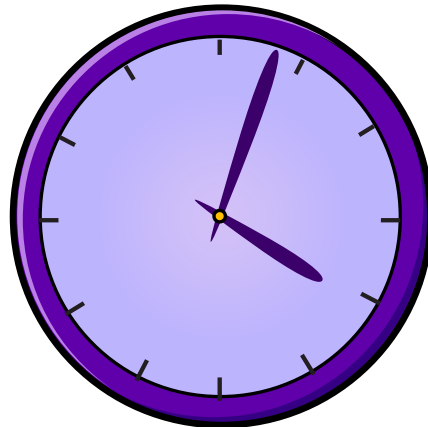
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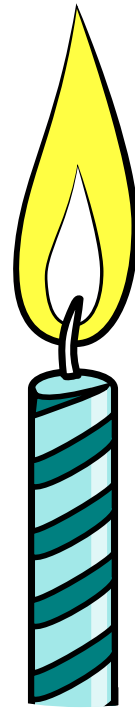
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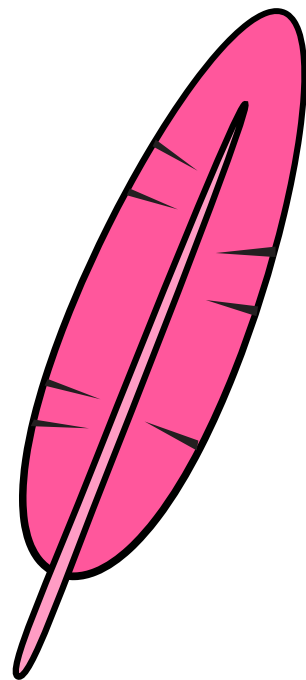
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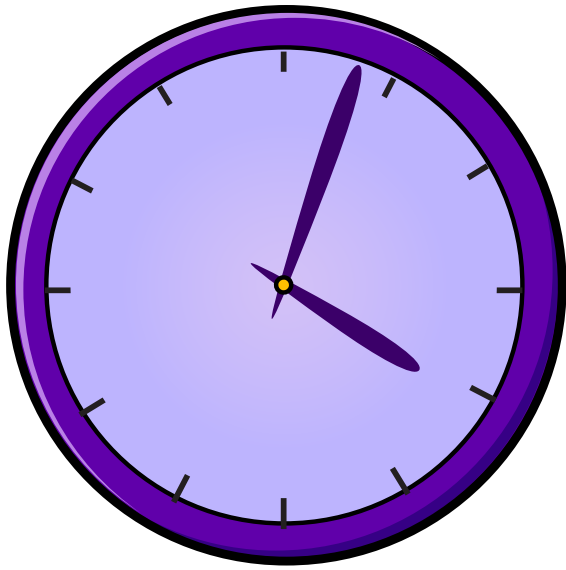
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