



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. THIS OR THAT ART

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "This or That Art" Activity Page, cardstock, scrap paper, stickers, stamps, washable ink pads, markers, miscellaneous craft supplies, glue sticks, and a permanent marker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "This or That Art" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper. Place the supplies on the table.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage children to make "this or that" decisions, such as using a sticker or a stamp. Let children make their own masterpieces.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bible story.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Come to the table and look at all the things you get to use to create your this or that masterpiece!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Would you rather use the stickers or the stamps on your picture? (Pause.) Pick one to use. All right! This (*hold up a supply*) or that (*hold up another supply*)? The great thing about this or that art is you can choose what you want or don't want to use to create it! (*Continue as interest holds.*) These are amazing pieces of art! What a fantastic job you did!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "In our stories this month, we've learned that God's way is best because God knows everything. But each person was given a choice, just like we all have choices. Each person in our story was given a chance to follow God's way or go their way. What happened with Naaman in our story today? Did he go straight to the water and dip seven times as God said? (Pause.) No, he didn't. But his workers told him he should go into the water. So he did, and he dipped seven times. When he came out of the water, all of his boo-boos were gone! Amazing! God really knows what's best. **Who knows what's best for you? God knows what's best for me.**"

BIBLE STORY

I can trust God knows best even when it is hard.

NAAMAN
2 KINGS 5:1-14

MEMORY VERSE

"God . . . knows everything."

1 JOHN 3:20, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who knows what's best for you?

BOTTOM LINE

God knows what's best for me.

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.



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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" from Week One, Bible, journal, a fun-shaped pen, and reward stickers or a handstamp

BIBLE STORY

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NAAMAN
2 KINGS 5:1-14

Now let's sit back down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. Today, we'll make a list of things that are hard to do. So when I say your name, tell me one thing that is hard to do." *(Remember to print as you write in the journal so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)*

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Thank you for helping me make this list. Would anyone like to pray before I pray? *(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)*

MEMORY VERSE

"God . . . knows everything."

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"Dear God, there are lots of things that are hard to do like *(read the list the children made)*. There will be times when what You say is best for us will be hard, too. But we can always trust You, God. You will always know what's best for us because You know everything. Help *(say each child's name)* trust that You will always know what's best for them. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

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