



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. CRAFT STICK BARN

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Craft Stick Barn" Activity Page; red cardstock; craft sticks; yellow circle stickers; white school glue; and a permanent marker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Craft Stick Barn" on red cardstock, one per child. Write child's name on their paper.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage children to run a line of glue on each of the lines on their paper then press a craft stick on top of the glue to make their barn. Fill with yellow circle stickers.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bible story.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "In our Bible story today, Jesus told a story about a farmer who grew a lot of food and stored it all in a big barn. Let's make a big barn and fill it with food."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "There is an outline of a barn on your paper. Make a line of glue on each of those lines then add a craft stick to it. (Pause.) Look at this big barn. The farmer in our story filled his barn with all his food. Use the circle stickers as your food and add it to your barn. (Pause.) Good job."

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "The farmer in our story grew so much food that it filled his barn. Instead of sharing the extra, he built a bigger barn and kept all the food for himself. This was way more food than he needed, but he wanted to keep it all. God gave the farmer more than he needed. He could have shared and helped a lot of people. Sometimes, God gives us more than we need, and we can share with others. That's the important thing Jesus wanted to teach us in this story. God wants us to share. I'm so glad we have a friend like Jesus to teach us important things. **Who teaches me important things? Jesus teaches me important things.**"

BIBLE STORY

Jesus teaches us that we can share our stuff.

BIGGER BARN

ACTS 2:45; LUKE 12:16-21

MEMORY VERSE

"The crowds were amazed at his teaching."

MATTHEW 7:28, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who teaches you important things?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus teaches me important things.

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.



MADE TO REFLECT

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, journal, and a fun-shaped pen

SGL: Now let's sit down so we

can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.*)

"Since Jesus teaches us that it's important to share, I think we should make a list of things we can share. The man in our story could have shared his food. So, what can we share? When I say your name, tell me one thing you can share, and I will write it in our journal. (*Say each child's name and write down what they say. Remember to print the names so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)

"This is a great list! Thank you for making it with me. Now let's pray. Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

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

PRAYER

SGL: "Dear God, we don't want to be like the man in Jesus' story who didn't share his food. We want to be kind and share with others. Help us share things like (*read the list the children made*). And God, thank You for sending Jesus to be our friend forever and teach us important things about You. You are the best, and we love You. In Jesus' name, amen."

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