

January 28, 2018

Bible Story Focus: Jesus can do anything.

Water to Wine • John 2:1-11

Memory Verse: “With God all things are possible.” Matthew 19:26, NIV

Key Question: Who can do anything?

Bottom Line: Jesus can do anything.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Here’s an overview of what you’ll be teaching in Preschool kids this week.

Make It Fun

Mother, May I

- **What You Need:** no supplies needed.

Coloring Page

Make It True

Large Group in room N-38

Make It Stick

Memory Verse Hop

- **What You Need:** “Jug” Activity Page, red or purple cardstock (1 piece of each per child), blue cardstock (1 piece per child), and floor tape

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- **What You Need:** “Glasses 4” Activity Page, white cardstock, butcher paper glasses from the first week, wall tape, scissors, and preschool-safe sunglasses for each child

Water Relay

- **What You Need:** “Allergy Alert Poster;” white cardstock; 2 clear, deep bowls; 2 packages of powdered drink mix; 2 plastic cups; and 1 large tub

Jesus' First Miracle Craft

- **What You Need:** “Empty Jars” and “Water” Activity Pages, white cardstock (1 piece per child), blue cardstock (1 piece per child), clear tape, scissors, and red or purple crayons

Make It Fun

Let one teacher lead a small group of children in the activity throughout the room while another teacher greets parents and kids at the door.

Mother, May I?

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler’s natural desire to move to help them learn

What You Need: Floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place a strip of tape on one end of the activity area. Place a second strip about 20 feet directly in front of the first strip. These will be your starting and finish lines.

During the Activity: Have the children line up horizontally on the starting line. Start with one child and give them a number and a movement to do (such as three jumps). Before the child moves, ask them to say, “Mother, may I?” Say, “Yes, you may,” and have the child do the movements. Repeat with all of the children with different numbers and movements. Examples of movements: jumps, baby steps, marching, one-leg hops, giant steps, and walking on tippy toes. Try to keep the numbers under five. Repeat the activity until a child reaches the finish line.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “We are going to play a game.”

During the Activity: “Everyone stand on this line. (Point.) I am going to give you a movement and tell you how many times to do it. If I say do three jumps, you will do this. (Demonstrate.) Before you do your movements, you need to ask, ‘Mother, may I?’ Are you ready?” (Do activity.)

After the Activity: “Great job playing ‘Mother, May I?’ Today we are going to hear a Bible story about Jesus and His mother, Mary. Jesus does such AMAZING things. Let’s see what He does in today’s story!”

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by asking the children to chant this month’s Bottom Line, “Jesus can do anything,” as they walk to the story area.

Coloring Fun

“Coloring Fun” is an activity that allows the children to use their creative to color a picture that introduces them to the Bible Story for the day.

What You Need: Coloring Page, Crayons

What You Do & Say:

Before the activity: Put baskets of crayons out on the table so that all children can easily reach the crayons.

During the activity: Allow the children to color the Bible story picture.

At the end of the activity: Introduce the upcoming Bible story by talking to kids about the picture they are coloring.

Make It True (Large Group, 15-20 minutes)

After children have participated in Make It Fun, lead your group to room N-38 for Large Group Worship and Bible Story.

Make It Stick

The following activity is to help make the Bottom Line stick. There is an added activity in case you need something to fill the time at 10:55.

Memory Verse Hop

Hear from God | Memory Verse Review

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

What You Need: "Jug" Activity Page, red or purple cardstock (1 piece of each per child), blue cardstock (1 piece per child), and floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the "Jug" Activity Page onto the red or purple and blue cardstock. You will need one purple/red and one blue jug per child. Lay out the pieces of paper on the floor in an open area of the room with a red/purple piece within hopping distance of a blue piece. Secure them with floor tape.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to spread out and stand behind one set of "jugs." Review this month's memory verse as they hop from one color to the other. Repeat as time and interest allow.

After the Activity: Ask the children to gather their papers and bring them to you.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "This month we've been learning: With God all things are possible, Matthew 19:26."

During the Activity: "Do you see these jugs on the floor? (Point.) I want you to jump on the color I call out and say the verse with me. Ready? Jump to the blue jug. With God all things are possible, Matthew 19:26. Awesome. Now jump to the purple/red jug. With God all things are possible, Matthew 19:26."

After the Activity: "That was super fun jumping from jug to jug! Jesus did something amazing at the wedding that day. But that's not surprising, because we know that [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything. Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!"

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Talk About God | Bible Story Review

Made to Explore: An activity that channels a preschooler's innate curiosity into a discussion of the week's crucial concepts

What You Need: “Glasses 4” Activity Page, white cardstock, butcher paper glasses from the first week, wall tape, scissors, and preschool-safe sunglasses for each child

(NOTE: This activity will conclude today. You will add the last picture to the sunglasses. Be sure the pictures from the last three weeks are still on the lens of the glasses.)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the “Glasses 4” Activity Page onto the white cardstock and cut on the dotted lines. Be sure the butcher paper glasses are taped to the wall at preschool level.

During the Activity: Have the children sit in front on the glasses on the wall. Give them each a pair of the preschool-safe glasses to wear. Retell the Bible story. Hang the cutout from today’s Activity Page next to the picture from last week. Be sure it is in the second lens with the picture from last week.

After the Activity: Send the sunglasses home with each child.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “WOW! Our Bible story was AMAZING today! We are going to talk about how AMAZING Jesus is! (Give each child a pair of sunglasses.) Put on your sunglasses and WATCH THIS!”

During the Activity: “Jesus did things that we cannot do! Our story today told us that Jesus and His mother went to a party and they ran out of the super fancy party drink. Jesus took six jars of water and turned them into super fancy party drink! Jesus can do things that we can’t do. Jesus is amazing! We are going to add a picture from today’s Bible story to the glasses.” (Hang the picture on the lens of the glasses.)

After the Activity: “Jesus is AWESOME! He can do anything—even turn water into a super fancy party drink! Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!” (Send the sunglasses home with the children.)

Water Relay

Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

Be sure to list the items you will be using today on the "Allergy Alert Poster" and post it at the door to your room.

What You Need: "Allergy Alert Poster;" white cardstock; 2 clear, deep bowls; 2 packages of powdered drink mix; 2 plastic cups; and 1 large tub

(NOTE: When working with water around preschoolers, be sure to always have an adult with the children. When the activity is finished, be sure to remove the water from the activity area immediately. If you do not feel comfortable or are unable to use water, you can use pom-poms or colored rice instead.)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Allergy Alert Poster" on white cardstock and hang it on the door. Place the bowls on one side of the activity area. Sprinkle the drink mix on the bottom of each bowl. Place the tub on the other end of the activity area. Fill the tub half full of water.

During the Activity: Divide the children into two teams. Have both teams line up next to the tub. Give a cup to the first child in both lines. Have the children use the cups to scoop up water and walk to the bowls. Encourage them to pour the water into the bowls.

After the Activity: Have the children walk back to the line and give the cup to the next child in line. Repeat the activity until all of the children have had a turn.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Jesus turned water into a super fancy party drink in our story today. WOW! That is AMAZING!"

During the Activity: "We are going to play a game and pretend to turn water into a super fancy party drink too. (Divide the children into teams and help them line up.) The first person will use the cup to scoop up water, walk to the bowl (point), and

pour the water into the bowl. I can't wait to see what happens to the water when it touches the bowl." (Do activity.)

After the Activity: "WOW! The water changed just like it did in our story. Our water is not really a super fancy party drink, though, like the one Jesus made. Only Jesus can do that. [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything! Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!"

Jesus' First Miracle Craft

Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, Bottom Line, or memory verse by creating a cr

What You Need: "Empty Jars" and "Water" Activity Pages, white cardstock (1 piece per child), blue cardstock (1 piece per child), clear tape, scissors, and red or purple crayons

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy the "Empty Jars" Activity Page onto white cardstock. Copy the "Water" Activity Page onto the blue cardstock and cut out. Provide one of each page per child. Set out the scissors and red and purple crayons in the center of the tables.

During the Activity: Pass out the "Empty Jars" pages to the children and encourage them to color in the empty jars with the purple or red crayons. When they're finished coloring their jars, show them how to place the blue "Water" cutouts over the jars and tape across the top to secure. Then show the children how to flip the blue jars up to show how Jesus changed the water to a super fancy party drink.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "In our Bible story today, Jesus did something SO amazing. He turned regular water into a super fancy party drink. [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!"

During the Activity: (Pass out the "Empty Jars" pages to each child.) "First, let's color in each of the jars with these red/purple crayons. Then I will help you tape these water pages over the jars to look like the water."

After the Activity: (Hold up one of the completed pages.) “These look awesome! I want you to take your pictures home and tell your family all about how Jesus turned this plain water (lift the flap to show the colored jars) into a super fancy party drink. [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything. Who can do anything? Yes! [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything.”
