

PRIOR TO TEACH THE SESSION

## GATHER Supplies

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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Play out the Bible story

- stuffed or toy donkey



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Trace a handprint palm branch

- green construction paper
- stapler and staples (adult use only)
- craft sticks

#### Act out the story

- coats or pieces of cloth
- artificial palm branches

#### Explore a first aid kit

- age-appropriate first aid kit



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Palm branch rubbings

- palm branch leaves

#### Learn donkey facts

- various toy donkeys



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Play peekaboo

- blanket



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Make heart art

- heart stamps or stickers

#### Collect taxes

- play money

#### Find the coins

- play coins
- shallow tub
- sand



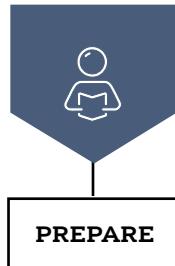
### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Pass the Bible

- worship music (optional)
- electronic device (optional)

#### Play puzzles with friends

- Bible story picture
- extra wooden puzzles



## PREPARE

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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Paint the key passage phrase

- gallon-size ziplock bags
- washable paint

#### Make a sense of touch bag

- tub
- water
- towel
- waterproof objects (ball, block, plastic ring, and so forth), 1 per baby



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Choose right and wrong

- tape or rope

#### Learn about snakes

- toy snakes



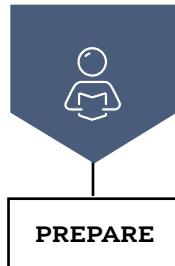
### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Listen to Jesus art

- "Headphones" printable
- craft supplies (glue, different colored paper scraps, markers, crayons, etc.)

#### Be a snake

- electronic device
- worship music



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Be happy with God

- smiley face, heart, or cross stickers

#### Play with balls and bins

- horseshoe-shaped pillows
- bins or buckets
- soft balls, 2 per baby



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Make lovely art

- heavyweight paper
- white crayon
- painting smocks
- paintbrushes
- water
- paper towels
- watercolor paints

#### Act out the story

- bag
- play money

#### Hide the objects

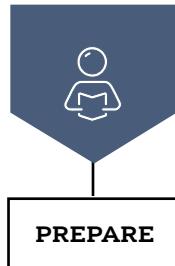
- bin
- sand
- toy cars, dinosaurs, crayons, or other items to hide



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Separate objects

- bin
- two different types of objects (various toy cars and animals or colors and shapes and so forth)



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Make water drip art

- washable markers
- shallow bin
- water
- paper towels

#### Show good news and bad news

- unbreakable mirrors (optional)



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Design sand art

- liquid glue
- bins

#### Examine sand and plants

- bin
- sand
- plants



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Transition activity: Choose good or bad

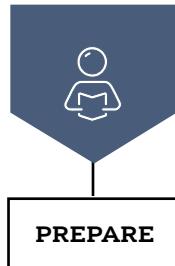
- hoops, 2

#### Make a J for Jesus

- colored construction paper or other craft supplies

#### Dress-up fun

- hats, wigs, clothes, and other dress-up items



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Splash in water

- painting smocks
- rimmed baking sheet
- water
- oil

#### Make faces

- horseshoe-shaped pillows
- unbreakable mirrors



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Guess that smell

- assorted fragrant fruits, snacks, oils, or cereal
- containers

#### Make scented oil

- several small containers
- oil
- assorted dried herbs and measuring spoons



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Transition activity: Pretend market

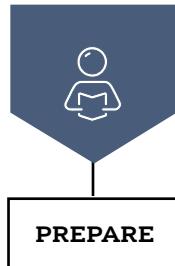
- classroom toys and play food
- play money

#### Mix oil and water

- shallow tub
- pitchers, cups, and spoons
- towels
- oil
- painting smocks
- wipes

#### Make cross art

- painting smocks
- oil
- cotton balls
- sponge
- container



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Sort food

- muffin tins
- assorted play food items

#### Play with cups

- assortment of play kitchen items (cups, plates, spoons, a loaf of bread, and so forth)



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Make food art

- paper plates
- assorted food-shaped cookie cutters
- Bible story picture

#### Share a meal with friends

- assorted play food and kitchen utensils



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Transition activity: Cut bread

- plates
- bread
- heart-shaped cookie cutters
- water

#### Place in story order

- roll
- ziplock bag
- hymnal
- cross
- gift bag

#### Match the food

- play food (including bread)
- large pieces of paper
- Bible story picture



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Make a handprint garden

- different colored paper
- green paper strips (optional)

#### Count to three

- variety of toys in groups of three



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Garden art

- paper plates
- green craft sticks

#### Play freeze sleep

- worship music
- electronic device

#### Show happy and sad faces

- paper plates



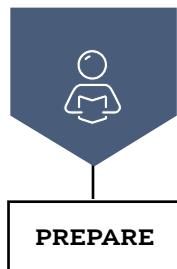
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#### Transition activity: Dot a wall garden

- large paper
- dot markers or stickers in various colors, including green

#### Play out the story

- people figures



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Pass the scrolls

- half sheets of paper
- string
- horseshoe-shaped pillows
- basket

#### Make cross art

- ziplock bags
- cross cookie cutters or cross-shaped items



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Write a scroll

- crayons or markers
- precut string

#### Tip the scale

- balance scale
- heavy object
- toy coins

#### Compare alive and not alive

- potted plant, a photo of family members, and other classroom objects



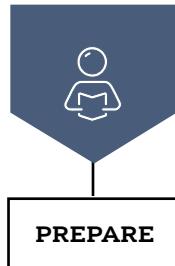
### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Transition activity: Complete the obstacle course

- classroom objects

#### Make cross art

- "Cross Outline" printable
- 1-inch tissue paper squares



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Create the cross

- "Cross Outline" printable
- sheet protectors
- horseshoe-shaped pillows
- square foam blocks

#### Tape the cross

- strips of masking tape
- horseshoe-shaped pillows



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Assemble a popsicle cross

- craft sticks
- crayons or markers
- liquid (or hot glue; optional, adult use only)

#### Choose right or wrong

- green and red markers

#### Explore rocks

- medium-to-large rocks (1 per toddler)
- permanent marker (adult use only)



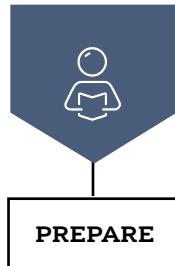
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#### Decorate a crown

- "Crown" printable
- tissue paper

#### Act out the Bible story

- robes, belts, or scarves



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Press baby handprints

- high chairs
- painting smocks
- paper towels
- red and green washable paint
- wipes

#### Crawl and reach

- Bible board books
- horseshoe-shaped pillows



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Build a tomb

- brown and white construction paper

#### Wear a robe

- robe (purple, if possible)

#### Touch stones

- stones of different sizes and textures



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Transition activity: Spot the threes

- heavyweight paper
- classroom items

#### Bury treasures

- plastic bowl
- dirt
- medium-to-large size stone
- plastic soldier
- small crown
- strip of purple fabric
- wipes



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Roll the ball

- Bible story pictures
- sheet protectors
- horseshoe-shaped pillows
- plastic ball

#### Explore full and empty

- horseshoe-shaped pillows
- clear plastic containers, 2
- soft classroom toys



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Tell the good news

- newspaper

#### Play with puzzles

- Bible Story pictures from Sessions 1–3

#### Say the smell

- different spices (peppermint, cinnamon, garlic, ginger, pepper, or any other strong-smelling spices)
- ziplock bags



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Transition activity: Find the stone

- large stone

#### Explore number fun

- clear contact plastic
- tissue paper pieces

#### Wrap up in cloths

- several pieces of cloth (both large pieces as well as long strips of fabric)



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### BABIES ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Create a cross

- shaving cream
- gallon-size ziplock bag
- duct tape
- horseshoe-shaped pillows

#### Hide and seek

- various classroom items
- horseshoe-shaped pillows



### TODDLER ACTIVITIES

#### Learning activities

- Bible Story Picture Poster

#### Circle time

- Bible Story Picture Poster
- Key Passage Phrase Card

#### Place right or wrong

- red and green interlocking bricks
- plastic bins, 2
- red and green papers



### BONUS TEACHING HOUR

#### Transition activity: Forgive or not forgive

- paper plates
- paper towel tubes

#### Draw a heart-shaped face

- crayons or markers

#### Toss a globe

- inflatable globe
- crown