

PRIOR TO TEACH THE SESSION

GATHER Supplies

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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Explore soil bags

- ☐ ziplock bags
- ☐ soil
- ☐ plant stems
- ☐ seeds
- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows

Feel the flannel

- ☐ piece of flannel fabric
- ☐ felt (in yellow, blue, brown, and black colors)



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Tell others about Jesus

- ☐ precut circle and mouth shapes from construction paper
- ☐ stickers

Listen and dig

- ☐ bin
- ☐ dirt
- ☐ age-appropriate toy gardening tools (plastic shovel, handheld rake, scoops, and spoons)

Scatter the seed

- ☐ glue
- ☐ hole punch
- ☐ brown piece of construction paper



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Make a story

- ☐ stapler
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card (optional)
- ☐ cookie cutters or stickers in similar Bible story shapes (circles for seeds, ovals for rocks, flowers with thorns, or flowers)(optional)



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Keep and throw away

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ plastic bin
- ☐ foam ball

Find the treasure

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ plastic bin
- ☐ large pom-poms
- ☐ toy pearl necklace
- ☐ mesh laundry bag



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Find a hidden message

- ☐ white crayon
- ☐ cardstock paper
- ☐ washable watercolor paints
- ☐ paintbrushes
- ☐ paper towels
- ☐ water
- ☐ painting smocks (optional)

Make a nest

- ☐ picture of a bird's nest
- ☐ paper plate
- ☐ brown paper strips
- ☐ cotton balls

Sing the key passage phrase

- ☐ Bible Story Poster



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Find the order

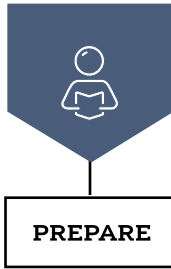
- ☐ board books or picture Bibles in the room
- ☐ toy loaf of bread and a few toy coins

Bury the treasure chest

- ☐ shoebox
- ☐ toy bead necklace
- ☐ mesh laundry bag
- ☐ blankets

Sort big or small

- ☐ big and small items, such as balls, blocks, books, and toys



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Move the winds and waves

- ☐ box fan
- ☐ crepe paper
- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ scarves

Blow the bubbles

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ bubbles
- ☐ paper plates (optional)



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Make a boat

- ☐ boat-shaped cutouts in various colors of paper
- ☐ blue construction paper
- ☐ craft sticks
- ☐ stickers

Play with the parachute

- ☐ parachute, blue sheet, or plastic shower curtain

Cross the lake

- ☐ plastic toy boats
- ☐ plastic container
- ☐ water
- ☐ towel
- ☐ paper plates
- ☐ timer

Spot and say

- ☐ night-light



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Transition activity: Play "Freeze Tag"

- ☐ upbeat worship music
- ☐ electronic device

Sing the key passage phrase

- ☐ scarves or streamers

Calm the storm

- ☐ water
- ☐ blue food color
- ☐ dish soap
- ☐ glitter inside
- ☐ two-liter bottle



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Trace footprints

- ☐ heavyweight paper

Explore and compare textures

- ☐ different clothing textures and materials (leather, satin, beaded, and so forth)



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Make a handprint

- ☐ heavyweight paper
- ☐ stickers and other decorating supplies

Create bandage houses

- ☐ construction paper
- ☐ adhesive bandages in various sizes

Examine the five senses

- ☐ pair of glasses
- ☐ bell
- ☐ piece of bread
- ☐ ziplock bag
- ☐ scented candle
- ☐ piece of fabric



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Transition activity: Play "Touch and Tell"

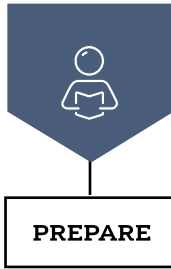
- ☐ flat bed sheet

Build a house

- ☐ craft sticks
- ☐ wooden peg people figures
- ☐ adhesive hook-and-loop fastener dots (optional)

Sort alive or not alive

- ☐ books in the room to find pictures of things that are alive or not alive (animals, plants, toys, Jesus, and so forth)
- ☐ Bible Story Poster



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Stamp hands

- ☐ paper plate
- ☐ washable ink pads
- ☐ baby wipes or paper towels
- ☐ permanent marker (adult use only)

Fill a basket

- ☐ pieces of felt
- ☐ basket
- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Make a lunch

- ☐ rectangle-shaped cleaning sponges cut into loaf and fish shapes
- ☐ paper plates
- ☐ painting smocks
- ☐ washable paint

Follow the path

- ☐ butcher paper
- ☐ markers
- ☐ toy boat
- ☐ people figures

Rip the "bread"

- ☐ brown construction paper cut into bread shapes
- ☐ bowl

Catch "fish"

- ☐ foam sheets cut into fish shapes
- ☐ bin
- ☐ water
- ☐ towel
- ☐ nets or scoops



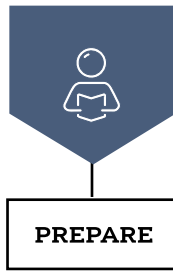
BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Sort food

- ☐ baskets
- ☐ play foods, including bread and fish

Find what is missing

- ☐ toy loaves of bread, 5
- ☐ toy fish, 2



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Listen to a storm

- ☐ rain sticks
- ☐ mobile device or sound machine

“Walk” on the water

- ☐ gallon-size ziplock bag
- ☐ water
- ☐ blue food color
- ☐ glitter
- ☐ people figures



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Create footprints

- ☐ washable markers
- ☐ blue crayons

Make storm sounds

- ☐ shakers
- ☐ metal pie pans
- ☐ wooden spoons
- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Act out the story

- ☐ large box
- ☐ blue paper
- ☐ paper plates
- ☐ spray bottles
- ☐ water

Blow “boats”

- ☐ large, plastic container
- ☐ water
- ☐ towel
- ☐ paper cup
- ☐ straws



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Transition activity: Clean messes

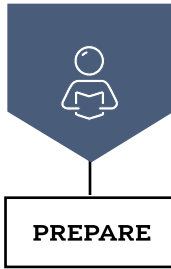
- ☐ bin filled with toys
- ☐ stopwatch or timer (optional)

Make waves

- ☐ blue blanket, shower curtain, or plastic tablecloth

Test sink or float

- ☐ Big Picture Card or Bible Story Poster
- ☐ ziplock bag
- ☐ bucket
- ☐ water
- ☐ toys around the room



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

See mirror images

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ nonbreakable mirrors

Apply bandages

- ☐ plastic dolls
- ☐ strips of felt



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Rip paper

- ☐ black-and-white copies of the Big Picture Poster
- ☐ adhesive bandages

Be a "doctor"

- ☐ age-appropriate toy doctor kits

Touch the face

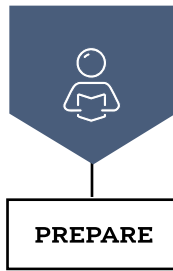
- ☐ large sheet of paper
- ☐ small sticky notes
- ☐ blindfolds (optional)



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Make "many people"

- ☐ washable ink pads



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Move the figurine

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ empty tissue box
- ☐ people figure

Touch the texture

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ gauze strips
- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Paint a picture

- ☐ black-and-white copies of the Bible Story Poster
- ☐ red crayons
- ☐ foam paintbrushes
- ☐ gray washable paint

Sing four times

- ☐ baby doll
- ☐ box

Deliver messages

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ baskets, 2
- ☐ cardboard tubes
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Cards

Act out the story

- ☐ box
- ☐ people figures
- ☐ gray construction paper (optional)
- ☐ fabric strips (optional)



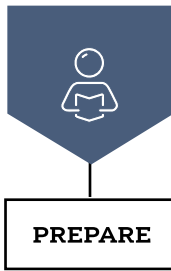
BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Make and move with ribbon wands

- ☐ craft sticks or dowel rods
- ☐ crepe paper or ribbons
- ☐ upbeat worship music
- ☐ electronic device

Roll the ball

- ☐ playground ball
- ☐ box
- ☐ gray butcher paper (optional)
- ☐ Bible Story Poster



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Spread "mud"

- ☐ high chairs
- ☐ large bibs or smocks
- ☐ heavyweight paper
- ☐ brown washable fingerpaint

Play peekaboo

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Paint the face

- ☐ "Face" printables
- ☐ painting smocks
- ☐ brown washable paint
- ☐ paper plates
- ☐ foam brushes
- ☐ baby wipes

Make a pool

- ☐ blue sheet, towel, or blue colored butcher paper
- ☐ people figures

Mix up mud

- ☐ spoon
- ☐ dirt
- ☐ heavy-duty ziplock bags
- ☐ pipette or dropper
- ☐ water



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Shake noisy instruments

- ☐ noisy instruments (egg shakers, bottles of rice, and so forth)

Wipe away

- ☐ "Face" printable
- ☐ sheet protectors
- ☐ washable markers
- ☐ baby wipe

Wash toys

- ☐ mud or dirt
- ☐ plastic toys
- ☐ towel
- ☐ bin
- ☐ water
- ☐ washcloths or hand towels



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Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
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Knock off the ball

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ green, plastic ball
- ☐ brown plastic cup or sand bucket

Climb for toys

- ☐ toy from around the room
- ☐ Bible Story Poster (optional)



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Add leaves

- ☐ "Tree" printable
- ☐ "Zacchaeus" printable
- ☐ green paper scraps

Compare tall and short

- ☐ cardboard tubes of varying sizes

Touch bark

- ☐ variety of different pieces of tree bark
- ☐ nonbreakable magnifying glasses



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Transition activity: Stick leaves to a tree

- ☐ butcher paper
- ☐ leaf stickers
- ☐ leaf cutouts from the "Leaves" printable (optional)
- ☐ double-sided tape (optional)

Take money

- ☐ toy people
- ☐ play coins

Sort leaves

- ☐ "Leaves" printable on heavyweight paper

Count and find trees

- ☐ green paper (optional)



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Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Grab the donkey

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ toy donkey

Walk like a donkey

- ☐ strollers



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Color a coat

- ☐ "Coat" printable

Build a road

- ☐ coats from the "Color a Coat" activity (optional)

Sort branches

- ☐ "Branches" printable



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Transition activity: Find the donkey

- ☐ toy donkey (or "Donkey" printable, optional)

Lay down palm branches and sing

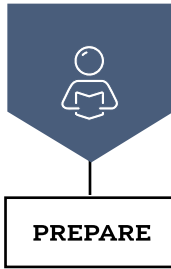
- ☐ "Palm Branch Template" printable
- ☐ familiar worship songs
- ☐ electronic device

Dress babies

- ☐ baby dolls
- ☐ doll-size coats or blankets

Move rocks

- ☐ medium- to large-size rocks
- ☐ towel
- ☐ bins, 2
- ☐ cups
- ☐ scoops
- ☐ tongs



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BABIES ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Cover up a picture

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ "Church Pictures" printable
- ☐ blanket

Look at church pictures

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ "Church Pictures" printable



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Get ready

- ☐ baby doll
- ☐ pretend doll-size play items (baby blanket, bottle, pajamas, coat, and so forth)

Play "I Spy"

- ☐ "Church Pictures" printable



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Transition activity: Choose morning or evening

- ☐ "Morning and Evening" printable

Identify sad faces

- ☐ "Identify Sad Faces" printable
- ☐ Giant Game Floor Mat (optional)
- ☐ sheet protectors (optional)

Put puzzles together

- ☐ "Church Pictures" printable on heavyweight paper

Roll out a smile

- ☐ paper plates



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- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Fill a plate

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows
- ☐ toy plate
- ☐ baby-safe play food

Teach sign language

- ☐ horseshoe-shaped pillows



TODDLER ACTIVITIES

Learning activities

- ☐ Bible Story Poster

Circle time

- ☐ Bible Story Poster
- ☐ Key Passage Phrase Card

Decorate a plate

- ☐ dinner-sized paper plates
- ☐ food stickers
- ☐ pictures of food (optional)

Serve a meal

- ☐ play food and dishes

Wash a foot

- ☐ "Feet" printable
- ☐ ziplock bag
- ☐ washable markers
- ☐ paper towel or washcloth



BONUS TEACHING HOUR

Transition activity: Find shoes

- ☐ "Shoes" printable on heavyweight paper
- ☐ bin or basket

Break bread

- ☐ half sheets of brown paper
- ☐ paper plates

Serve a special snack

- ☐ O-shaped cereal or another snack
- ☐ tablecloth
- ☐ colorful paper plates
- ☐ battery-powered votive candles (optional)

Pour water

- ☐ "Feet" printable
- ☐ clear packing tape
- ☐ plastic bin
- ☐ cups
- ☐ water