



VOLUME 9 SUGGESTED THEMES

Unit 25: Jesus Brings Truth

In this unit, kids will visit a traveling bookmobile—a colorful mobile library filled with assorted children’s books. As the characters sort books and talk with visitors, they discover that Jesus’ stories aren’t just good tales—they reveal who God is and what His kingdom is like. Set up a backdrop that reads *Bookmobile* and a table with labeled book crates such as *Parables*, *Miracles*, and *Kingdom Stories*. Add clipboards, library cards, a checkout basket, and paper banners that say *God’s Word is True* or *Jesus Teaches Truth*.

Theme Idea: Traveling Bookmobile

- Session 1: The two characters are organizing books and talking about how people read stories differently—some skim; some really think about them. One character says, “That’s kind of like how people listen to Jesus—some just hear words; others really let the truth sink in.” This connects to the parable of the sower and how hearts respond to God’s truth.
- Session 2: The characters find a tiny, dusty book hidden on a shelf. It’s small but full of wisdom! They marvel that something so small could hold something so valuable—like the mustard seed or hidden treasure parables that Jesus told.
- Session 3: While the bookmobile rattles in a thunderstorm, the characters rush to keep things from falling. One character jokes, “I wish we could calm the storm like Jesus did!” They talk about how Jesus’ power shows that His truth isn’t just words—it’s real power from God.
- Session 4: As they restock the shelves, the characters reflect on books about hope and healing. One says, “These stories remind me that truth changes lives.” The other replies, “That’s what Jesus did—His truth brought real life and healing!”



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Unit 26: Jesus Brings Life

For this unit, the classroom transforms into a lakeside picnic pavilion—a peaceful spot by the water where crowds gather to hear Jesus teach. Kids will experience what it’s like to rest by the shore and watch Jesus bring life to everyone who trusts Him. Use blue fabric or paper to create “water” across the floor or walls. Add towels, baskets, paper fish and loaves, and a banner that reads *Life by the Lake* or *Jesus Gives Life*. Include a simple cardboard “boat” and baskets labeled *Abundant Blessings*.

Theme Idea: Lakeside Picnic Pavilion

- Session 1: The two characters are setting out picnic baskets for a crowd of visitors. They realize they don’t have enough food for everyone—and laugh about how great it would be if it just multiplied! This sets up the story of Jesus feeding the five thousand.
- Session 2: A windy day at the lakeside has the characters chasing baskets. One basket flies away and bobs up and down in the lake’s waves, leading to a conversation about trusting God even when life feels shaky.
- Session 3: While cleaning up after the picnic, the characters notice how so many of the people who come to Jesus leave rejoicing. They talk about how His compassion brings healing and joy to everyone who believes.
- Session 4: As evening falls, the characters light lanterns around the lakeside and talk quietly about loss and hope. One says, “Even when things seem dark, Jesus brings life again.” The other nods, “That’s what makes Him the Son of God.”



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Unit 27: Jesus Is the Way

The classroom becomes a travel agency—a place where travelers come to plan journeys and discover the best routes. The two characters work together to make maps and help people find their way, realizing that Jesus is the true guide for life and eternity. Hang large paper maps and destination posters labeled Jericho, Jerusalem, The Kingdom of God, and Heavenly City. Set up a counter with travel brochures, toy compasses, globes, or suitcases. Post signs like Follow Jesus and He Is the Way.

Theme Idea: Travel Agency

- Session 1: The characters are helping a traveler who lost his map. They talk about how hard it is to find your way when you can't see—then reflect that Jesus gives true sight and helps us see God clearly.
- Session 2: They review their travel logs and notice one traveler who changed routes completely. “He used to go the wrong way,” one says, “but after meeting Jesus, he turned around!” It connects to Zacchaeus’ repentance and transformation.
- Session 3: The characters plan a parade route for a VIP traveler. They hang banners and wave flags, remembering that Jesus entered Jerusalem as the true King.
- Session 4: Late at night in the travel office, they write Future Trips on the map and talk about how no one knows exactly when the journey’s end will come—but we can be ready because Jesus promised to return.
- Session 5: Before closing the travel office for the day, they stop for a simple meal together. One says, “Every journey has a moment to remember what matters most.” The other adds, “That’s what Jesus did with His friends—He showed them how to remember His love and sacrifice.”