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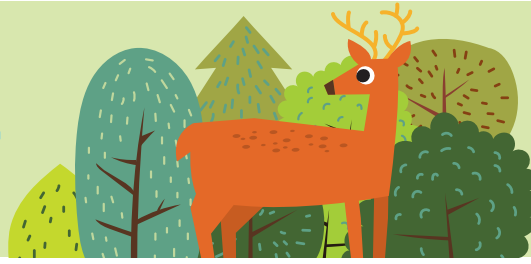
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PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME



BIBLE STORY

God made me to respect others.

RESPECT OTHERS
MATTHEW 7:12

MEMORY VERSE

"I am fearfully and wonderfully made."

PSALM 139:14, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who made you?

BOTTOM LINE

God made me.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

For Leaders Only
Monthly Overview
Create the Environment

15
MIN

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive.
High Five
Emojis
Cooking for Friends

10
MIN

WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

More Than Anything

10
MIN

STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

Bible Story
Prayer

25
MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.
Roll
Friend Puzzles
Tunnel
Find Our Friends

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home
Parent Cue

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1. HIGH FIVE

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Guide children to stand in a circle.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Call out one child's name, and ask him to hop over to another child. When the child hops over the other child, ask them to gently give each other a high five and then the first child should hop back to his place in the circle. Repeat activity until all of the children have had a turn to hop.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Let's getting hopping!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's stand in a circle. (Pause.) Awesome! Listen for your name. (Call out name.) [Child's name], hop to [child's name]. (Pause.) Great job! Now give each other a GENTLE high five. (Pause.) Nice! [First child's name], now hop back to your place in the circle. (Point.) Perfect! Let's give someone else a try!" (Finish activity.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "You did great being nice to your friends. Today we are going to learn how God wants us to treat others. I am so excited for our Bible story today!"

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by holding hands with each other as you move to the story area.

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PLAY

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2. EMOJIS

WHAT YOU NEED: Medium-sized tub, shredded paper, and emoji beach balls from Oriental Trading®

(OPTION: If you do not have access to the emoji balls from Oriental Trading, you may consider making your own. You may use ping-pong balls, socks stuffed with cotton, or construction paper circle cutouts. With each of these options, use a permanent marker to draw a face on them. You will need at least six different emojis but can double or triple up depending on your class size. Emoji faces should be: happy, sad, scared, surprised, angry, and sleepy.)

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Place the balls in the tub and place the shredded paper on top of them.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Have the children stick their hands into the paper and pull out an emoji. Help the child identify the emotion on the emoji's face. Ask the child what they can do when someone feels that way. Repeat the activity until all of the children have had a turn to pull out an emoji.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "It is important to know how your friends are feeling."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "There are faces in the tub (*point*), and we need to pull them out and decide how they are feeling. (*Do activity.*) Great job! You found a face that is [*sad*]. What can you do if your friend is feeling [*sad*]? (*Pause.*) Perfect! You are a great friend!" (*Finish activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "It is important to know how our friends are feeling so that we can be kind to them. Today in our Bible story we are going to hear about someone who wants us to be kind to our friends."

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by chanting, "I love my friends," as you walk to the story area.

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IMAGINE

an activity that lets preschoolers pretend, imagine, and role play to enhance their learning

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3. COOKING FOR FRIENDS

WHAT YOU NEED: Kitchen center, play food, and play dishes

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Place the food and dishes in the kitchen center.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Ask the children to cook for each other. Encourage the children to ask each other what they would like to eat and then serve one another. Be sure each child has a turn to cook and be cooked for.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "In today's Bible story, we are going to talk about how God wants us to be kind to one another."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "One way that we can be kind is to cook for our friends. Ask your friends what they would like to eat, and you can pretend to cook it for them." (*Do activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "WOW! You are such great cooks and great friends! I am so excited to hear our Bible story today about how God wants us to be kind our friends."

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by chanting this month's Bottom Line, "God made me," as you walk to the story area.

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**HEAR
FROM GOD**
MEMORY VERSE
REVIEW



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1. ROLL

WHAT YOU NEED: Large inflatable ball

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Guide the children to sit in a circle.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Say the memory verse and then roll the ball to a child. Say the verse again and ask the child that has the ball to roll it to another friend. Continue the activity until all of the children have had the ball rolled to them.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "We are going to play with a ball today." (*Hold up.*)

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "We are going to say our memory verse and then I will roll the ball to someone. Are you ready? I am fearfully and wonderfully made, Psalm 139:14. (*Roll ball to a child.*) Now let's say it again and you can roll the ball to another friend." (*Continue and finish activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Nice job! Our memory verse tells us that we are wonderfully made by God! **Who made you? God made me!**"



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TALK
ABOUT GOD
BIBLE STORY
REVIEW



CREATE

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2. FRIEND PUZZLES

WHAT YOU NEED: "Heart Puzzles," "Face Puzzles," and "Puzzle Parent Note" Activity Pages; red and yellow cardstock; white paper; scissors; clear tape; and zip-top bags (*one per child*)

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy the "Heart Puzzles" Activity Page onto the red cardstock and cut on the dotted lines to make a two-piece puzzle. You will need two large heart puzzles for the class and one small heart puzzle for each child. Copy the "Face Puzzles" Activity Page onto the yellow cardstock and cut on the dotted lines to make a two-piece puzzle. You will need two large face puzzles for the class and one small face puzzle for each child. Copy the "Puzzle Parent Note" Activity Page onto the white paper and cut along the dotted lines. You will need one note per child. Place a small heart puzzle and a small face puzzle in a zip-top bag. You will need a bag of the small puzzles for each child. Tape the parent note to the bag.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Place the large heart puzzles and the large face puzzles in the activity area. Be sure they are not put together. Encourage the children to put the puzzles together while you retell the Bible story.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Send the bag of small puzzles home with each child along with the Parent Note.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Let's do puzzles!" (*Point.*)

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "We have a puzzle of a heart (*point*) and a happy face (*point*). See if you can put them together! (*Do activity.*) In our Bible story today, we learned that God wants us to be kind and respectful to others. We should be kind to them if they are sad and be happy with them if they are happy. God made us to be kind to others."

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "God made us to be kind to others. You all have puzzles to take home to do with your families and you can tell them who made you. **Who made you? God made me!**"

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3. TUNNEL

WHAT YOU NEED: Preschool tunnel

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Place the tunnel in the middle of the activity area.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Invite the children to crawl the tunnel. When a child crawls through the tunnel, encourage the other children to clap and cheer for them. Be sure each child has a turn to crawl through the tunnel.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Yay! A tunnel! Let's crawl through the tunnel."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "When a friend crawls through the tunnel, everyone else should clap and cheer for them." (*Do activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Great job! God made us to be kind to one another and cheer each other on. **Who made you? God made me!**"

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4. FIND OUR FRIENDS

WHAT YOU NEED: Butcher paper, marker, crayons, scissors, and wall tape

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Trace a preschool-sized child with the marker onto the butcher paper and cut out. You will need one cutout per child.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Allow each child to color a cutout to look like them. Write their name somewhere on the cutout. If possible, hang the cutouts in a hallway or on a wall that parents can see.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Let the children see all of the cutouts. Ask the children to try to guess who is who.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "We are going to make a person that looks like us."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "If you have red hair, you can use the red crayons to make red hair. (Do activity.) Don't forget to give yourself nose, eyes, mouth, and clothes."

(Continue activity.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: (Hang up cutouts.) "WOW! You all look great! Now let's see if we can guess who is who. Can you guess which one is [child's name]. (Continue with each child.) Awesome work! God made us all different and wonderful. **Who made you? God made me!**"