



## MAKE IT TRUE - RUG

After children have participated in Make It Fun, gather them on a rug or in the corner of a room for a large group time that includes worship and Bible Story.

Use the full mix of the monthly song provided with the curriculum to lead your preschoolers in worship and then settle them for the memory verse and Bible story.

Choose an engaging adult to tell the Bible story. This person should be able to command the attention of preschoolers and control the group through animated storytelling. These scripts are written to be "told" and not "read." Advanced preparation is necessary.

FIRST LOOK OFFERS A WEEKLY BIBLE STORY ON OUR DVD TITLED "WONDER, LOOK AT GOD'S STORY," WHICH YOU MAY CHOOSE TO USE RATHER THAN A LIVE STORYTELLER THIS WEEK. THIS DVD IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT [WWW.ORANGESTORE.ORG](http://WWW.ORANGESTORE.ORG)



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## BASIC TRUTH

GOD LOVES ME.

## KEY QUESTION

WHO CAN YOU TRUST?

## BOTTOM LINE

I CAN TRUST GOD.

## MEMORY VERSE

"Trust the Lord with all your heart." Proverbs 3:5, NCV

## BIBLE STORY FOCUS

I can trust God even when it's hard.  
Naaman • 2 Kings 5:1-14

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" (from the week one Activity Pages on the Website) in your Bible at Proverbs 3:5. You will also need a CD player and this month's worship song, "Every Day I Can," which you will need to download from the Website. You will also need a Bible, red dot stickers and a towel.

**LEADER:** "Hello, hello, friends. Have you had fun diving in together this month? We have one more water story to tell today, and it's a great one. Not only did the man in this story have to trust God, but he also had to count to seven. Can you count to seven with me? (Count to seven.) Great! Now: **Who can you trust?**"

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "I can trust God!"**

**LEADER:** "Yes! **I can trust God!** You got it! Let's sing this month's song."

(Lead children in singing "Every Day I Can," this month's worship song.)

**LEADER:** "Wonderful singing, my friends. Tell me: **Who can you trust?**"

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "I can trust God!"**

**LEADER:** "Yes, indeed, **I can trust God!** Who can help me remember what we do next? We sang our first song. What do we do now? (Pause.) Yes! We say our memory verse. Are you ready to say it with me? 'Trust the Lord (point both index fingers straight up in the air) with all (stretch arms out wide) your heart' (bring both hands together over your heart), Proverbs 3:5. (Hold hands open like a book.) Let's do it together."

**CHILDREN AND LEADER:** "Trust the Lord (point both index fingers straight up in the air) with all (stretch arms out wide) your heart' (bring both hands together over your heart), Proverbs 3:5." (Hold hands open like a book.) (Repeat several times.)

**LEADER:** "Yes! You've got it totally memorized now! Way to go! I love that we can trust God no matter what! In fact, I have another great story about that. As you know, if you read it in the Bible, it is TRUE! (Hold up Bible.) Today's true story is about a guy with a pretty funny name. His name was Naaman. Can you say 'Naaman' with me?"

**CHILDREN:** "Naaman!"

**LEADER:** "That's right, his name was Naaman. And Naaman was the commander of the army. He'd won lots and lots of battles for the king, and everyone really liked him. But sadly, he had boo-boos all over his body."



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*(Take the red dot stickers and place them all over your arms and neck.)*

"These boo-boos were painful and there was no medicine that could make it better. Poor Naaman. But Naaman heard about a man who loved God that could help him! So he asked the king if he could go see the man. Everyone wanted Naaman to get better so the King agreed. And Naaman went with his horses and chariots to find the man that could help him. This man was named Elisha.

"When they got to his house, Elisha sent a messenger to talk to Naaman. The messenger told Naaman that if he wanted to get better, he needed to go wash himself SEVEN times in the river.

"Well, this made Naaman really angry. He got this big angry face with his angry eyebrows. Can you show me your angry eyebrow face? *(Pause as kids respond.)* Ooh, that's very angry! Naaman was mad because he was going to have to take SEVEN baths. That's SEVEN times in the water and SEVEN times out of the water. That seemed WAAAAAY too hard for someone like him that was so important! Naaman wondered why Elisha didn't come out himself to heal him. *(In a whiny voice)* Why did he have to take a SEVEN baths? *(Normal voice)* Naaman didn't think it was fair.

"So what do you guys think Naaman should do? He still has all these painful boo-boos. Should he go home and still be sick, or should he trust God? *(Pause.)* Yes! He should trust God! So Naaman finally listened and took those seven baths.

"Can you guys count Naaman's baths with me?"

*(Pretend to take a bath and "dry" off with the towel seven times as the children count.)*

"Here we go! One ("bathe", scrub off some dots, step out and dry off), two ... *(repeat six times)*.

"WOW! Look at that! Naaman's spots are gone. God made him all better. No more boo-boos! Naaman trusted God even though it was hard and God made him better! How awesome is that? And you know what? We can trust God too! **Who can you trust?**"

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "I can trust God!"**

**LEADER:** "That's right! You can trust God even when it's hard, just like Naaman did when he took SEVEN baths! **Who can you trust? I can trust God.** Let's pray about



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"God, we know that You are an awesome, BIG God. We know that You love us so much. Help us to trust You, like Naaman did, even when it's hard. We can always count on You. We love You. Amen.