



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

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BASIC TRUTH

GOD LOVES ME.

KEY QUESTION

WHOSE WAY IS PERFECT?

BOTTOM LINE

GOD'S WAY IS PERFECT.

MEMORY VERSE

"God's way is perfect."
2 Samuel 22:31, NIV

BIBLE STORY FOCUS

God will show you the way.
Moses and the Water
• Exodus 17:1-7

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, "God's Way Is Perfect," which you will need to download from the Website. You will also need a Bible.

LEADER: "Hello, hello, friends. We are having the best time hearing about Moses' great adventure this month. I can't wait to hear the next part! Now, **whose way is perfect?**"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "**God's way is perfect!**"

LEADER: "Great job! You guys are awesome! Let's sing our song one more time!"

Lead children in singing "God's Way Is Perfect," this month's worship song.

"What incredible singers you are! This has been such a fantastic month! **Whose way is perfect?**"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "**God's way is perfect!**"

LEADER: "That's right! **God's way is perfect!** Let's say our Memory Verse together one more time!"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "'God's way (point both hands up) is perfect' (two thumbs up), 2 Samuel 22:31." (Open your hands like a book.) (Repeat several times.)

LEADER: "Great job, everyone! Let's jump right into our true story from the Bible. (Hold up Bible.) The story today is about God's people, the Israelites, and their leader Moses who had been on a great adventure. They believed that God's way was perfect so they followed him. We've been talking about all those true stories where we can see that God's way was perfect. Remember, the Israelites ran away from the mean king Pharaoh through the wilderness, by following a pillar of cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night, and then God led them right through the Red Sea. It had been quite the adventure, but now they were in the desert. And they were very tired of traveling!

"Have you ever had to walk for a really long time somewhere and complained to your mom or dad or whoever you were with that you were tiiiiired? (Pause.) You were thinking, 'When is this going to end and when can I sit and rest and have a snack?' Right?"

"Well, this is exactly what was happening to the Israelites. They were tired of traveling and tired of walking. They were hot and probably sweaty and dirty. They wanted



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it to end! And they were thirsty. So they started grumbling to Moses for water. That means they were complaining and whining. 'Don't grumble at me,' Moses said. But the people didn't listen. They told Moses they didn't think God's way was perfect anymore! They were thirsty ... and tired! And they wished they were back with the mean Pharaoh because at least HE gave them water!

"Well, this made Moses so mad, he didn't know what to do. The people forgot that God's way is perfect! They needed to remember that. So God decided to show them.

"Moses went out in front of the people and God told him to strike the big rock with his staff. Now friends, this sounds silly, doesn't it? Why would hitting this rock with this stick help the people to not be thirsty? But God wanted to remind the Israelites that His way was perfect and that He always knows the right way. So Moses held up his staff and struck the rock. (*Lean toward kids.*) And out came water! Real water! Friends, isn't that amazing?

"Everyone got a drink and felt much better after that. Water from a rock! Amazing! Three cheers for God! Say hip-hip-hooray with me 3 times. Ready? Go!"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "Hip-hip-hooray, hip-hip-hooray, hip-hip-hooray!"

LEADER: "Great job. Wow, God did an amazing thing by making water come out of a rock!"

"So remember, everyone, even when your great adventure gets hard, God is always there and He loves you and his way is ... what? Say it with me: PERFECT! God's way is PERFECT, I tell you, perfect! **Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect! Whose way is perfect?**"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "**God's way is perfect!**"

LEADER: "Great job! Let's say it one more time. **Whose way is perfect?**"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "**God's way is perfect!**"

LEADER: "That's right, friends. No matter what, God's plans are always perfect and He can show us the way. Now, let's pray.

"Dear God, thank You for always having a perfect plan and for helping us to know the right way to go by following You. We love You, God. Amen."