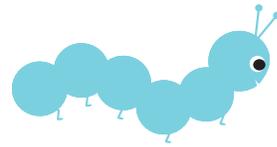




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MAKE IT TRUE

After children have participated in Make It Fun, gather them on a rug or in the corner of the room.

Encourage the kids to have fun singing with you and then share the Bible Story.

Some kids (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's OK. They're still listening and learning!

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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MAKE IT TRUE

BASIC TRUTH

**JESUS WANTS TO BE
MY FRIEND FOREVER.**

KEY QUESTION

WHO LOVES YOU?

BOTTOM LINE

JESUS LOVES ME.

MEMORY VERSE

**"How wide and long and high and
deep is the love of Christ."
Ephesians 3:18, NIV**

BIBLE STORY FOCUS

**Jesus loves me no matter what.
The Thankful Woman
• Luke 7:36-50**

WORSHIP

WHAT YOU NEED: CD player, this month's worship song, "Hey, hey, hey! Jesus Loves Me" (downloaded from the Website), and the motions for the song

LEADER: "Hi, everyone! Look at all your smiling faces. Do you smile like that all the time or just when you're getting ready to sing? (Pause.) I smile when I'm getting ready to sing, too—especially when I'm getting ready to sing about how much Jesus loves us. Jesus' love for us is SO BIG! (Spread arms wide.) **Who loves you? Jesus loves me.** Let's sing!"

Lead children in singing "Hey, hey, hey! Jesus Loves Me."

"Way to go! You are all such amazing singers. Now remind me: **Who loves you? Jesus loves me.** That's right, friends. You better believe it!"

BIBLE STORY

WHAT YOU NEED: Bible

LEADER: (Lay Bible down in front of you.) "Come here, everyone, and sit with me! It's story time! Yay for story time! Our story comes from this very special book—the Bible! (Hold up Bible, give it a big hug, and lay it down.)

"We love the Bible because it has God's stories in it. And God's stories are always TRUE! (Thumbs up.)

"Today's true story from the Bible begins with a big dinner party for Jesus. There was food and storytelling and everyone was having a great time when a woman came to the party. She sat right down at the feet of Jesus. This woman had made lots and lots of bad choices and she felt very bad about that. In fact, she felt so bad about her choices that she started to cry. She loved Jesus so much and she wanted to show Him. So she started to wash Jesus' feet and put good-smelling oil on them.

"Think about stinky and dirty feet. Would you want to wash someone else's dirty toes? (Pause.) Pee-yew! No way!

"Well, the people at the party were shocked (gasp) that Jesus was letting someone who had made so many bad choices wash His feet. But Jesus loves each and every one of us so much that He just smiled at the woman. He knew every bad choice the woman had made, but He still loved her no matter what.



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"You guys (*smile*), Jesus' love for us is (*extend arms*) SOOOO BIG. Do you think there's anything we can do that would make Jesus stop loving us? (*Pause*.) Nooooo. He loves us no matter what, just like He loved the woman in our story today. And Jesus' love for us is what? (*Extend arms*.) SOOOO BIG! Great job, friends. **Who loves you? Jesus loves me!**

"So I'm going to ask you: **Who loves you?** (*Hand to ear*.) And then you guys are going to yell out: **Jesus loves me!** Ready? **Who loves you?**"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "Jesus loves me!"

LEADER: "Again! **Who loves you?**"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "Jesus loves me!"

STORYTELLER: "That's right, friends. Jesus' love for us is SO big and He loves us no matter what. Let's pray together.

"Dear God, thank You for this amazing story today and thank You for loving us SO big and so much—even when we mess up. We love You, God. Amen."