

3-5 YEAR -OLDS

## TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

## BIBLE STORY

God loves us so much that God gave us Jesus.

GOD LOVES ME JOHN 3:16: 1 JOHN 4:9-10

#### MEMORY VERSE

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful."

**PSALM 139:14, NIRV** 

## KEY QUESTION

Who made you wonderful?

## **BOTTOM LINE**

God made me wonderful.

## BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

## PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

## **SMALL GROUP**



## **SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction**

Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive. God Gave Us Jesus Scoop it Up

Cake Bakers 🚫

## **LARGE GROUP**



WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

"Made Us Wonderful" Bible Story Prayer

## **SMALL GROUP**



## **GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect**

Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.

Colorful Hearts Verse

Pockets of Love

L.O.V.E. 🚫

Foot Transfer Into the Mixing Bowl Journal and Prayer

## HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home Memory Verse Card Parent Cue Card (print or email) Parent Cue App



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**PRELUDE** 

SOCIAL

**WORSHIP** 

**STORY** 

**GROUPS** 

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10 MINUTES

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#### LARGE GROUP

ENGAGE CHILDREN'S HEARTS THROUGH A DYNAMIC AND INTERACTIVE BIBLE STORY, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN A LARGE GROUP SETTING.

#### WORSHIP

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Memory Verse Card" from Week One in Bible; instruments or music player; this month's worship song, "Made Us Wonderful," included in your monthly files; Optional: Dance Moves Video for "Made Us Wonderful," available in the Media Package if you subscribe or from Store. Think Orange.com

Note: You can find examples of hand motions in the "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF and video, included in the Prelude folder and on Pinterest.

**LEADER:** "Friends, I'm so glad to see you! My name is [your name] and I love to sing and dance and worship God with you!

"We're learning that we are WONDERFULLY made! Did you know you're wonderfully made by God? It's true! When I ask, 'Who made you wonderful?' I want you to say, 'God made me wonderful!' Who made you wonderful?"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful!"

LEADER: "Yes, God made me wonderful! Sing this with me."

Lead children in singing "Made Us Wonderful," this month's worship song.

"I LOVE singing with you!

"The Bible teaches us that: 'How you (point up) made me (point to self) is amazing and wonderful,' (push hands up twice) Psalm 139:14. (Open hands like a book.)

Lead children to say the Memory Verse with the motions.

"God made every part of you, and every part is wonderful! Thanks for worshipping with me today! **[Transition]** And now it's time to turn around, sit down, and shake the wiggles out (wiggle hands), so we can hear (cup hands behind ears) what the story's all about!"



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#### STORY

WHAT YOU NEED: Bible; Optional: Story Images and cardstock

**LEADER:** "Hello, friends! I'm [your name], and I have an awesome TRUE story from the Bible to share with you today.

Open the Bible for children to see, then set it on the table.

"Today's true story from the Bible is about Someone who loves you very, very much.

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"Let's see if you can figure out who it is! First, answer this question. Who made you wonderful?"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful!"

**LEADER:** "That's right! God made you wonderful, and God loves you so much! Give yourself a BIG hug because God loves you so much!

Give yourself a hug and lead children to give themselves a hug too.

"God did something very special because God loves us. God gave us a gift.

"Has someone ever given you a gift? Maybe someone gave you a teddy bear as a birthday gift. Or a toy car. Those are good gifts for sure. But the gift God gave us is the most amazing gift ever! And it's for everyone in the whole world!

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"Can you make a drumroll like this?

Lead children to pat legs.

"God loves us so much that God gave us . . .

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"JESUS! Who did God give us?"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "Jesus!"

**LEADER:** "God loved the world so much God gave us Jesus! Wow! Jesus is special because Jesus is God's Son, AND . . . Jesus wants to be our friend forever!

"God made you and loves you so much that God gave you Jesus to be your friend forever. What a special gift! Thank You, God!





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PRELUDE SOCIAL WORSHIP STORY GROUPS HOME

10 MINUTES

Make the ASL sign for "Thank you": Move flat hand forward from lips.

"Can you say 'thank You' to God for loving us so much?

Make the ASL sign for 'thank you.'

"Thank You, God! Thank You for Jesus, and thank You for making us wonderful! Who made you wonderful?"

CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful!"

**LEADER:** "Yes! God made you and **God made me wonderful. [Transition]** Our story time is over (pick up and close Bible), but we're not through. Let's talk to God because God loves you!"

#### PRAYER

**LEADER:** "God, thank You for giving us Jesus to be our friend forever! Jesus is the BEST gift. Thank You for loving us and for making us wonderful. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, we pray, amen.

[Transition] "And now it's time for more Bible fun. There's more to learn. Come on, everyone!"

Lead small group to the first activity



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## **GETTING READY**

## HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GET READY FOR THIS WEEK

Gather children for a Large Group time that includes interactive Worship and the Bible Story. The Rug Script is written for those who pull their children to a rug (or area) to one side of their preschool space to tell the Bible Story. If you gather your preschoolers together from multiple rooms and have a larger space on which to present the Bible Story, you may benefit from using the Stage Script.

# WORSHIP: INVITING PEOPLE TO RESPOND TO GOD (10 MINUTES)

A leader and live instruments are recommended to sing along with the music tracks. Encourage children to be active during worship by incorporating the appropriate hand motions.

# STORY: COMMUNICATING GOD'S TRUTH IN ENGAGING WAYS (10 MINUTES)

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." Advance preparation is necessary.

#### 1. WORSHIP

## WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader(s)
- · Instruments or music player
- "Memory Verse Card" from Week One, placed in Bible at Psalm 139:14

## MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

 This month's worship song, "Made Us Wonderful," included in your monthly files

## OPTIONAL VIDEOS (AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE):

 Dance Moves Music Video for "Made Us Wonderful," available in the Media Package if you subscribe or from Store.ThinkOrange.com

## WHAT YOU DO:

Download the song and have it ready to use.

#### 2. BIBLE STORY

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Bible
- Optional: Story Images and cardstock

## LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Story Image W4 01
- Story Image W4 02
- Story Image W4 03

## WHAT YOU DO:

• Option: Copy the Story Images on cardstock or download them to display on a screen.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES

**WONDER! LOOK AT GOD'S STORY:** First Look offers weekly videos to engage preschoolers with the Bible Story. Join our Bible storytellers, Clubhouse friends, and, of course, Ollie the Owl to discover the wonder in God's story. Available in the First Look Media Package or can also be purchased monthly at Store.ThinkOrange.com.

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