



## MONTHLY OVERVIEW

Everyone loves a party because parties mean we have something to celebrate. Birthdays, Christmas, a winning season—each party brings so much joy!

This month, we are going to start a party that celebrates the Good News about God! And when God is at the center of our celebration, I can have joy all the time! It doesn't sound possible, at first, but then when we think about God . . . who God is . . . what God has done . . . how much God loves us . . . well, that is worth celebrating! God is worth celebrating! All day, every day! So let's Start The Party! It's time to celebrate the Good News about God.

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| <p>WEEK<br/><b>ONE</b></p>   | <p>BIBLE STORY<br/>Story of the Lost Sheep<br/>Luke 15:1-7</p>                | <p>STORY FOCUS<br/>I can have joy because God loves me.</p>         |
| <p>WEEK<br/><b>TWO</b></p>   | <p>BIBLE STORY<br/>Feast of Booths<br/>Deuteronomy 16:13-17</p>               | <p>STORY FOCUS<br/>I can have joy because God helps me.</p>         |
| <p>WEEK<br/><b>THREE</b></p> | <p>BIBLE STORY<br/>Ezra and the Rebuilding of the Temple<br/>Ezra 3:10-13</p> | <p>STORY FOCUS<br/>I can have joy when I do hard things.</p>        |
| <p>WEEK<br/><b>FOUR</b></p>  | <p>BIBLE STORY<br/>Joy in the Psalms *<br/>Psalms 8 and 19</p>                | <p>STORY FOCUS<br/>I can have joy when I see what God has made.</p> |
| <p>WEEK<br/><b>FIVE</b></p>  | <p>BIBLE STORY<br/>God Will Give Us Joy<br/>Habakkuk 3:17-18</p>              | <p>STORY FOCUS<br/>I can have joy no matter what.</p>               |

*\*Monthly Story for Toddler Curriculum*

| MEMORY VERSE  | KEY QUESTION                          | BOTTOM LINE                         |
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| <p>"A JOYFUL HEART IS GOOD MEDICINE."<br/>PROVERBS 17:22, ESV</p> | <p>WHO CAN HAVE JOY ALL THE TIME?</p> | <p>I CAN HAVE JOY ALL THE TIME.</p> |

GOD LOVES ME.