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PRELUDE | SOCIAL | WORSHIP | STORY | GROUPS | HOME

BIBLE STORY

I can believe God's promises.

NOAH (GOD'S PLAN)
GENESIS 6:8-33; 7:1-24

MEMORY VERSE

"Trust the LORD with all your heart."

PROVERBS 3:5, NCV

KEY QUESTION

Who keeps His promises?

BOTTOM LINE

God keeps His promises.

BASIC TRUTH

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PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience
For Leaders Only
Monthly Overview
Create the Environment

15 MIN

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction
Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive.
Animals
Two by Two
Play-Doh® Animals

10 MIN

WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God
Promises

10 MIN

STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways
Bible Story
Prayer

25 MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect
Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.
Animal Voices
In the Boat
Rain
Ark Craft

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience
Going Home
Parent Cue

ALLERGY

This symbol indicates an activity with potential allergens. Be sure to post allergy alert sign and inform parents at drop-off.

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MOVE

an activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn

1. ANIMALS

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Guide the children to stand in front of you.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage the children to pretend to be the following different animals and do the appropriate movements. Repeat as desired.

1. Dog: Get on all fours and say, "Woof, woof!"
2. Bunny: Hop with hands held at the chest.
3. Fish: Pretend to swim.
4. Elephant: Hold arm at face like a trunk.
5. Lion: Get on all fours and make roaring sounds.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Let's be animals!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "First let's pretend to be a dog. Everyone get down on your hands and knees (*demonstrate*) and say, 'Woof, woof.' (*Pause.*) Great job! You are good at pretending to be dogs. Now let's be bunnies!" (*Continue activity with the remaining four animals and sets of motions.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "That was so much fun! Today we are going hear an amazing story about animals. I cannot wait to find out what happened!"

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by pretending to be animals as you walk to the story area.

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PLAY

an activity that encourages preschoolers to follow guidelines while having fun and learning new concepts

2. TWO BY TWO

WHAT YOU NEED: Empty and clean dozen-egg carton and 6 pairs of small plastic animals

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Place the carton in the activity area. Place the animals in a pile next to the carton.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Help the children find a pair of matching animals from the pile. Help the children place one of the animals in one of the egg holes in the carton. Place the matching animal in the egg hole next to the first one. Continue the activity with the five remaining pairs of animals until the egg carton is full of animals.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "WOW! Look at all of these animals. Let's see if we can match them up."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's see if we can find two animals that look alike. (*Pause.*) Perfect! These are two [name of animal]. Place the two animals in the holes next to each other. (*Point.*) Awesome! Let's find another match!" (*Finish activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "We put the animals in the carton TWO by TWO! We are going to hear a Bible story today about animals who got on a boat TWO by TWO! Our story sounds so exciting!"

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by walking to the story area in pairs.

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3. PLAY-DOH ANIMALS

Be sure to list the items you will be using today on the "Allergy Alert Poster" and post it at the door to your room.

WHAT YOU NEED: "Allergy Alert Poster," white cardstock, Play-Doh, and animal cookie cutters

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Allergy Alert Poster" on white cardstock and hang it on the door. Give each child some dough and a cookie cutter.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage the children to use the cookie cutter to make animal shapes in the dough. Allow the children to use several different animal cookie cutters.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Yay! We are playing with Play-Doh today!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "We have animal-shaped cookie cutters to play with. Press the cookie cutter into the dough and lift it up. (*Demonstrate.*) Look! It is a [name of animal]. Now you can do it." (*Finish activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Nice work! Those are awesome animals. We are going to hear a cool Bible story today all about animals."

TRANSITION: Move to Bible story time by calling out different animals.

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HEAR
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MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

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1. ANIMAL VOICES

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Guide the children to stand in front of you.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Say the verse in different animal voices. First say the memory verse in a roaring voice like a lion, then in a high-pitched voice like a bird, and finally in a frog voice. Repeat several times.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Let's say our memory verse together in silly animal voices."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "First, let's be lions! ROAR! Trust the LORD with all your heart, Proverbs 3:5. ROAR! Great job! Now let's be birds! TWEET, TWEET! Trust the LORD with all your heart, Proverbs 3:5. TWEET, TWEET! Awesome! Now let's be frogs! RIBBIT! Trust the LORD with all your heart, Proverbs 3:5. RIBBIT! Perfect!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Way to go! Our memory verse tells us that we can trust God to always keep His promises. **Who keeps His promises? God keeps His promises!**"

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BIBLE STORY REVIEW

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2. IN THE BOAT

WHAT YOU NEED: Laundry basket, several plush animals, and a rainmaker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Place the basket in the middle of the activity area. Lay the animals all around the basket.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Ask the children to gather all of the animals and place them in the basket. Shake the rainmaker over the basket after all of the animals are in the basket.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Retell the Bible story.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "It is going to rain! We need to get all of the animals in the boat!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Gather all of the animals and place them in the boat. (*Point to the basket.*) Great job! Here comes the rain!" (*Shake the rainmaker.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Noah knew he could trust God. God told Noah that it was going to rain for a long time and he should gather two of each animal and put them on the boat. God promised to protect Noah and the animals. God always keeps His promises. **Who keeps His promises? God keeps His promises!**"

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3. RAIN

WHAT YOU NEED: Floor tape and a rainmaker or maraca

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Use the floor tape to make a boat outline on the floor in the activity area.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Guide the children to stand near the boat on the floor. Shake the rainmaker or the maracas to simulate rain. When the children hear the rain, instruct them to jump into the boat. Repeat several times.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "It is going to rain!"

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "When you hear the rain (*shake the rainmaker or maraca*), jump into the boat! Are you ready?" (*Do activity.*)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Great job! Noah trusted God and got on the boat when God told him to. Noah and all the animals stayed dry from the rain. God always keeps His promises! **Who keeps His promises? God keeps His promises!**"

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CREATE

an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft to take home

4. ARK CRAFT

WHAT YOU NEED: "Ark" Activity Page, white cardstock, and animal stickers (*1 sheet of stickers per child*)

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy the Activity Page onto the cardstock.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Give each child an Activity Page and a page of animal stickers. Encourage the children to place the stickers inside the boat on the Activity Page.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Send the Activity Page home with the child.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "We heard a wonderful Bible story today."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "We are going to make a picture of Noah's ark that you can take home and tell your family all about our Bible story. There is a boat on the page. Place all of the animals (*hold up stickers*) into the boat!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Great job! You can take your craft home and tell your family that God protected Noah and always keeps His promises. **Who keeps His promises? God keeps His promises!**"

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