



LIVE IT OUT | WEEK 3 | JUNE 15, 2025

Preschool Lesson

Jesus Feeds 5,000

Bible Story: *Jesus Feeds 5,000* • Help one another • *Matthew 14:14-21; Philippians 2:4*

Memory Verse: “Think and act as Jesus did.” *Philippians 2:5, NIV*

Key Question: Who shows you how to love others?

Bottom Line: Jesus shows me how to love others.

Basic Truth: I am loved by God no matter what so I can love God, love others and love life.

LEADER BIBLE STUDY

What do you do when you don't know how to do something? Do you pick up your phone and do a quick search? Or do you find someone who knows how to do it and just ask them, “Hey, can you show me how to do this?”

We all need people to show us how to do things, and when it comes to how to love others, well, there's only One who can truly show us how—Jesus!

This month, we are going to discover how to live it out and love like Jesus. No matter how young or old you are, we all need Jesus to show us how to love others. Together, let's point preschoolers to the One who came to show them how to do the most important thing: loving others the way Jesus loves them.

Pre-Service Check List

- HUDDLE AS TEAM → • You're in this together! Pray together and talk about the activities for the day.
- PLAY MUSIC
- PUT OUT TOYS → • A welcoming environment is important! We want it to be obvious from the moment kids walk in that they belong HERE!
- PUT ASIDE DISTRACTIONS
- ENGAGE WITH KIDS

Morning Flow

Doors
Open
9:15/11:00

Kid
Connect
9:35/11:20

Large Group
Starts
9:40/11:25

Small Group
Starts
10:05/11:50

KID CONNECT

WELCOME TIME

(VIDEO: ARRIVAL MUSIC)

Play intro music in the background as you greet preschoolers and follow the KidCity check-in procedures. Set out a few favorite theme-related toys, such as puzzles and blocks.

OPENING ACTIVITY

(No Supplies)

Kid Connect time is spent building relationships with the kids. Gather your Small Group together for some intentional connecting time before Large Group. You can do small activities while you chat together (like coloring or building with blocks) or just sit and listen to each other. Ask your kids relationship-building questions like:

- How old are you?
- Do you have a favorite stuffed animal?
- Do you have a brother, sister, or pet? What are their names?
- What do you like to play at home?
- What's your favorite food/color/animal/ice cream flavor?

Transition to Large Group...

LARGE GROUP

COUNTDOWN

(VIDEO: COUNTDOWN)

Show the countdown video as the children clean up and transition to Large Group.

SETTING UP FOR SUCCESS

(CG: EXPECTATION SLIDE, BASIC TRUTHS SLIDE, MEMORY VERSE VIDEO; BIBLE)

LGL: "Hello my friends! How are you today? Come and sit with me. I am so glad you are here! My name is [your name]. I'm excited to spend time with you today! We are getting ready to sing and dance and hear a true story from the Bible. Before we do let's go over our rules and truths.

"Here in KidCity we have three rules. How many rules do we have? (*Kids respond.*) That's right! Three rules. Let's go over our rules now. (*List rules while counting on fingers*)

1. **Be kind.** We can be kind by using our indoor speaking voices, by staying on our blankets (or whatever space you have), and by obeying our leaders.
2. **Be safe.** We can be safe by walking around the classroom and keeping our hands to ourselves.
3. **Have fun!** We are going to have SO much fun, and that's because you are here!

“Can everybody follow those rules today? *(Kids respond.)* Great! KidCity is a place where we learn about God and Jesus! And there are three big truths that we want you to know. Let’s say them all together! Are you ready?”

1. **I am made by God.** What is it? *(Kids repeat.)*
2. **I am loved by God no matter what.** What is it? *(Kids repeat.)*
3. **I am made for a purpose!** What is it? *(Kids repeat.)*

“It’s time for our memory verse. Let’s watch our memory verse motions and do it along with them!”

Show memory verse motion video and then practice without it.

‘Think *(point to head)*
and act *(walk in place)*
as Jesus did,’ *(tap finger to middle of each palm)*
Philippians 2:5. *(Open hands like a book.)*

“Ok, now let’s sing and worship God!”

WORSHIP

(VIDEO: FULLY ALIVE, LOVE LIKE JESUS)

Sing the worship songs together.

INTRO SKETCH

(Story Box with Beginner’s Bible, Stuffed Ollie and a Large Foam/Felt Heart)

LGL brings the story box with the Bible to the center of the room.

“I have my story box ready. I’m SO excited to see what we are learning about God today. Let’s see what I have in here…”

Pull out the Bible

“What is this? *(Pause for responses.)* Yes, it’s the Bible! The Bible is God’s word and God’s word is always true. The Bible has many stories that make one BIG story, and we (you and me) are part of that story. Let’s see what else is in our story box today.

Pull out the Stuffed Ollie and Heart.

“Who is in our story box today? *(Pause for responses.)* YES! It’s Ollie! What does Ollie have with him today? *(Pause for responses.)* Yes! A HEART! What does a heart remind us of? *(Pause for responses.)* Yes! A heart reminds us of love. Today we are going to hear a story about how we can love like Jesus by helping.

+Let’s click on our listening ears (tug on each ear, one at a time, as you make a click, click sound), let’s put on our looking eyes (bring your hands, one at a time, to your eyes like binoculars as you say shook, shook) and let’s put our hands that have been moving and praising Jesus quietly in our laps.

“Now we are ready. Let’s watch today’s true Bible story.”

WATCH THE BIBLE STORY

(VIDEO: BIBLE STORY, BOTTOM LINE)

“Wow! That was an amazing story! Jesus helped feed 5,000 people. There was enough bread and fish for everyone. Jesus showed love by helping. We can show love by helping too, just like Jesus!

“When I ask, ‘Who shows you how to love others?’ I want you to say, *[Bottom Line]* ‘Jesus shows me how to love others.’ Are you ready? *(Pause for responses)*. ‘Who shows you how to love others?’ *[Bottom Line]* ‘Jesus shows me how to love others.’ YES! *[Bottom Line]* Jesus shows me how to love others.”

SAY THE BASIC TRUTH

(CG: BASIC TRUTH SLIDE)

“Let’s look at our Basic Truth for today. It says, ‘I am loved by God no matter what so I can love God, love others and love life.’ Jesus loves us so much. Because Jesus loves us and helps us, we can love others by helping, just like Jesus.

PRAY

“Let’s get our hands ready to pray. *Open them close them, open them close them, give a little clap. Open them, close them, open them, close them, fold them in your lap.*

“Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to show us how to love others by helping each other. I pray that we will look for ways we can help one another so we can love like Jesus. In Jesus’ name. Amen.”

TRANSITION TO SMALL GROUP

SMALL GROUP

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STORY MOVEMENT (2's-5's)

(‘Story Movement’ Activity Page – 1 per group)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy “Story Movement” Activity Page, 2-sided, flip on the long edge and cut, one set per Small Group.

During the Activity: Review the Bible Story by going through each picture and movement.

After the Activity: Review the Bottom Line.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Hey, everyone! Come and sit with me! We’re going to get up a move as we review today’s story!”

During the Activity: “I have pictures in my hand from our story. I’m going to show you the pictures and read the words, then we are going to do a movement. Are you ready? *(Pause for responses.)* Let’s stand up.

Picture #1 (Bread): “What’s in this picture? Yes, bread! Let’s count how many, 1...2...3...4...5. Jesus’ friends, the disciples had five loaves of bread. *Turn to a friend and give them a high five.*

Picture #2 (Fish): “What’s in this picture? Yes, fish! How many fish do you see? Yes, two. Jesus’ friends, the disciples, had two fish. *Let’s pretend to be fish.*

Picture #3 (Jesus): “Look! It’s a picture of Jesus! Jesus thanked God for the bread and fish. *Let’s kneel, fold our hands and thank God. Dear God, thank you for the food that feeds us and keeps our tummies full. AMEN*

After Jesus thanked God, he gave the bread and fish to the disciples to give to the people.

Picture #4 (Disciples): “Who is in this picture? It’s Jesus’ friends, the disciples. The disciples followed Jesus so they could learn to think and act like Jesus did. *Let’s march with our feet and follow Jesus.*

Picture #5 (Heart): “What is this a picture of? Yes, a heart! Hearts make us think of....LOVE! That’s right. How can you love like Jesus and help others? *(Pause for answers.)* Those are great ways to love. *Give yourself a big hug.*

Picture #6 (People): “What is our last picture of? Yes, the people Jesus helped! Jesus and the disciples helped feed over 5,000 hungry people until all the people’s tummies were full! *Let’s rub our tummies like we just finished eating and our tummies are full.*”

“Great job, everyone!”

After the Activity: “Jesus showed the disciples how to love others by helping a lot of people. Jesus shows us how to love others too! **Who shows you how to love others? [Bottom Line] Jesus shows me how to love others!** Again: **Who shows you how to love others? [Bottom Line] Jesus shows me how to love others!**”

WAYS TO HELP (2’s-5’s)

(‘Ways to Help’ Activity Page – 1 per child, Heart Stickers – 4 per child, Crayons)

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy “Ways to Help” Activity Page, one per child. Prepare four heart stickers for each child. Write each child’s name on their paper.

During the Activity: Talk about the pictures on the paper and different ways to help. As the children identify the pictures, have them place a heart next to each one and reinforce the bottom line. Afterwards (if time allows), give children crayons to color their paper.

After the Activity: Review the Bottom Line.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Friends, we heard an amazing Bible Story today of how Jesus helped lots and lots of people! We can help people too!”

During the Activity: “The words on your paper say: ‘Think and act as Jesus did,’ Philippians 2:5. That’s the Memory Verse we’ve been learning! It also says: **[Bottom Line] Jesus shows me how to love others.** Helping is one way Jesus showed us how to love others.

Picture of Toys: “Point to the picture of toys on your paper. *Can you show love and help pick up your toys? (Pause for responses.)* Yes, you can. Place a heart sticker next to the picture of the toys. Say “I can love like Jesus and help.”

Picture of Girl Carrying Groceries: “Now point to the picture of a girl carrying groceries. *Can you show love and help a neighbor carry their groceries? (Pause for responses.)* Yes, you can. Place a heart sticker next to the picture of the girl carrying groceries. Say “I can love like Jesus and help.”

Picture of Boy Giving Water: “Look for the picture of a boy giving water. Do you see it? *Can you show love and help someone who is thirsty by giving them water? (Pause for responses.)* Yes, you can. Place a heart sticker next to the picture of the boy giving water. Say “I can love like Jesus and help.”

Picture of Girl with Laundry: “Do you see the picture of a girl with laundry? Point to the picture.

Can you show love and help with laundry? (Pause for responses.) Yes, you can. Place a heart sticker next to the picture of the girl with laundry. Say “I can love like Jesus and help.”

“Great job putting hearts on your paper. There are lots of different ways you can show love by helping people.

After the Activity: “Helping is one way Jesus showed us how to love others. We can love others by helping too. **Who shows you how to love others?** [*Bottom Line*] **Jesus shows me how to love others.**

If there is extra time, encourage kids to color their paper.

MEMORY VERSE WITH MOTIONS

(Memory Verse Motions Poster – 1 per group)

Say the memory verse using motions from the Memory Verse Motions poster. Repeat several times and encourage children for their efforts.

‘Think (*point to head*)
and act (*walk in place*)
as Jesus did,’ (*tap finger to middle of each palm*)
Philippians 2:5. (*Open hands like a book.*)

PRAY

“Let’s pray together. (*Have kids “put both hands up in the air, clap them together once [keep hands clasped], and then lower them down to their lap.”*)

“Dear God, thank You for giving us Jesus to show us how to love others. Thank You that Jesus is always with us helping us love like Him. Please help us look for people who need help and show us how to help them when we can. You’re the best, God! In Jesus’ name. Amen.”

PARENT PICK UP ACTIVITY – READ THE STORY

(The Beginner’s Bible)

What You Do:

- Open up the Beginner’s Bible to today’s story (Jesus Feed Thousands, page #357) and read it to your small group.

CONNECT WITH PARENTS/INFLUENCERS

(First Look Placemats - 1 per child)

Hand out placemats and encourage parents/influencers to review the Preschool lesson with their child this week.