

Preschool | W1

Leader Summary

Jesus, His disciples, and his mother, Mary, are at a wedding when the family hosting the wedding runs out of wine. Mary goes to Jesus, because she knows He can help. Jesus tells some people working at the wedding to fill six large stone jars with water. When the person in charge of the wedding tastes the drink, he knows it is the very best wine. Jesus turned water into wine! Nothing is too hard for Jesus because Jesus is God's Son. Jesus is amazing!

Connect Time (20 minutes)

Kids Arrive and Free Play
Small Group Connect

Large Group (25 minutes)

Countdown and Welcome
Worship
Memory Verse
Bible Story
Prayer

Small Group (25 minutes)

Activity 1
Activity 2
Memory Verse with Motions
Prayer
Parent Pick Up

Home

First Look Placemat



Bible Story

Water to Wine • John 2:1-11
Nothing is too hard for Jesus.

Key Question

Who is amazing?

Bottom Line

Jesus is amazing.

Memory Verse

"We have seen amazing things today!" • Luke 5:26 NLT

20 min

Connect Time

15 min

Welcome Time

What You Need

 Video: Arrival Music

1

5 min

Small Group Connect

What You Need

No supplies needed

What You Do:

Play intro music in the background as you greet and intentionally engage with students, following the KidCity check-in procedures. Set out a few different stations of toys, puzzles, games, or blocks.

Connect time is spent building relationships by intentionally connecting with kids before Large Group. You can do small activities while you chat together (like coloring or playing or just sit and listen to each other.) You can 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.

10 min

Large Group Time

3 min

Countdown and Welcome

What You Need

 SLIDE: Three Rules

1

 SLIDE: Basic Truths

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"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.*)

SLIDE: Three Rules

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!

5 min

Worship

What You Need

 He is Amazing

 Amazing

2 min

Memory Verse

What You Need

No supplies needed

13 min

LG Bible Story

"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?"

SLIDE: Basic Truths

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.*)

"Now, let's stand up, and let's celebrate Jesus!

SONG: "Amazing"

"Great singing, friends! Let's keep singing about how amazing Jesus is.
SONG: "He is Amazing"

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"Thanks for celebrating Jesus with me! **[Transition]** And now it's time to turn around (*spin around*) ... sit down (*sit down*) ... shake the wiggles out (*wiggle hands*) ... so we can hear (*cup hands behind ears*) what the story's all about!"

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"Great singing, friends! Now, let's learn some of God's words from the Bible. (*Open hands like a book.*) Are you ready? Watch me say the words from the Bible and do the motions, and then you can do them with me!

VIDEO: Memory Verse Video

"We have seen (*point to self*)
amazing things today!" (*Hands like binoculars, open and shut.*)
Luke 5:26 (*open hands like a book.*)

SLIDE: Memory Verse

"Can you do that with me?"

Lead children to say the Memory Verse with motions once or twice.

"You guys all did a great job with our memory verse and with our worship songs! Now it's time to turn around (*spin around*)... sit down (*sit down*).. Shake the wiggles out (*wiggle hands*)... so we can hear (*cup hands behind ears*) what today's Bible Story is all about!"

2 min

Bible Story Intro

What You Need

-  Beginner's Bible marked at the correct page 1
-  Story Box 1
-  Amazing Book mark 1

8 min

Wonder Bible Story (Video)

What You Need

No supplies needed

3 min

WrapUp & Prayer

What You Need

-  SLIDE: Basic Truth 1

"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)... It's a book! Do any of you know the name of this book? (Pause) Yes! It's the Bible! The Bible is a book full of true stories about God, about Jesus, and about the people God loves, like me and each of you! Wait... there's a cool looking bookmark, let's see what page it is on.

Open to that page of the Bible and show the kids the pictures... point out a few things you see that go along with the lesson for today... (This Week page 314- Jesus' First Miracle)

"Hmm, I wonder if this might be the story we are going to hear about from Ollie and his friends. Let's check it out."

SLIDE: Bottom Line

"Wow! That was a cool story we just saw! Jesus turned water into wine! He did something that no one else can do because Jesus is God's son. And that makes Jesus Amazing! The Bible teaches us that nothing is too hard for Jesus because **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing!** Ok, I'm going to ask you a question and I want everyone to answer in your best robot voice! (Pause) Who is amazing? Jesus is Amazing!

SLIDE: Basic Truth

"Let's take a look at our Basic Truth for today. It says, 'I am made by God to worship Him.' Today we saw that Jesus is amazing because he is God's son and he can do things no one else can do! That's worth worshipping- or, living in a way that shows God we love and honor Him. Let's say it one more time, 'I am made by God to worship Him.'"

"We have had a fun morning of worshipping and learning about Jesus! You have done a wonderful job listening in Large Group. We are going to pray, and then we are going to keep having fun in small groups. Let's get ready to pray... calm your body, close your eyes..."

"Dear God, thank you for giving Jesus to us and for all the wonderful things Jesus has done. Jesus really is amazing because Jesus is your son. Amen"

Dismiss kids to their small groups.

23 min

Small Group Time

5 min

Activity 1- Amazing Award

What You Need

	"Amazing Award" Activity Page on Cardstock (2/pg)	1
	Crayons	Several
	Stickers/Stamps (optional)	Several
	Yarn (28 inch piece)	1

5 min

Activity 2- Picture Story Review

What You Need

	"Story Bowling" Activity Page	1
	"Layout" Activity Page	1



EveryChild Tips

- Use different movements for children as needed.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Amazing Award" on cardstock and cut out, one per child. Punch a hole at the top center of each award. Cut yarn 28 inches long, 1 piece per child.

During the Activity: Encourage children to decorate their amazing award, then help them thread the yarn through the hole and tie a knot.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello, everyone! Come over and sit at the table, and let's create some amazing awards to remind us Jesus is Amazing!"

During the Activity: "The words on your award say [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing! Use the markers and stamps to decorate your award. (Pause. Give the kids a few minutes to color/decorate their awards.) Wow! These are looking great! We are going to come around and add a piece of yarn to your award, so you can wear it. Keep coloring and decorating while you wait for us to get to you.

"In today's true story from the Bible, we heard how Jesus did something amazing! I want you to wear your Amazing Awards while we do our next activity!

After the Activity: "Jesus did something that no one else can do because Jesus is God's son. **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing! Who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing!**"

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Story Bowling" on cardstock and cut one set per Small Group. Copy "Layout" and cut one set apart per Small Group.

During the Activity: Put all 'Story Bowling' cards at one end of our Small Group Space and put the 'Layout' Cards at the opposite end of your space in order 1-10. Have kids take turns going to get one card and bring it back to the matching 'Layout' cards. Once all cards are in their space, quickly review the Bible Story. Repeat as time and interest allow.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, come over and let's play a game to review today's Bible Story. We are going to take turns jumping, walking, or crawling to go get one picture card from over there (point to where your pile of cards is) and bring it back over here (point to the Layout cards).

During the Activity: "[Child's name], your turn, please [walk, hop, crawl, tiptoe] to go get a card. Help them match it to the right spot, and have the other kids go until all cards have been brought back.

5 min

Memory Verse with Motions

What You Need

 Memory Verse with Motions Poster 1

3 min

Prayer

What You Need

No supplies needed

5 min

Parent Pick Up Activity

What You Need

 Beginner's Bible 1

These are pictures of today's story. Let's see what we remember from our story.

- **Wedding Picture**- Today's story began at a wedding.
- **Jesus Picture**- Jesus was a guest at the wedding.
- **Disciples Picture**- Jesus' friends, the disciples, were also at the wedding.
- **Mary Picture**- Mary, Jesus' mom, was also at the wedding.
- **Table of Food Picture**- At weddings, there was special food and drink to celebrate!
- **Empty Jars Picture**- The family ran out of wine, the special drink for the wedding. Mary wanted to help the family, so she told Jesus that there was no more wine.
- **Water Jars Picture**- Jesus told the workers to fill six stone jars with water, and they did!
- **Wine Jars Picture**- Then, Jesus told them to take some of the drink to the person in charge of the wedding, and they did. The person in charge did not know where the drink had come from, but when he tasted it, he knew it was the very best wine!

Mix the cards up and do the activity again, as time and interest allow.

After the Activity: "Wow! Jesus turned the water into wine! Jesus did something that no one else can do because Jesus is God's Son. **[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing! Who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing.**"

What You Do:

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

What You Say:

"I've had so much fun learning with you today. 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 the fun we had learning about Jesus. Jesus is so amazing! And Jesus loves each of us so much. God thank you for giving us Jesus. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen."

What You Do:

Open up the Beginner's Bible to today's story (Jesus' First Miracle, page #314) and read it to your small group.

Supplies

Welcome Time Quantity

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| 1. | Video: Arrival Music | 1 |
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Countdown and Welcome Quantity

- | | | |
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| 1. | SLIDE: Three Rules | 1 |
| 2. | SLIDE: Basic Truths | 1 |

Worship Quantity

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| 1. | He is Amazing | 0 |
| 2. | Amazing | 1 |

Bible Story Intro Quantity

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| 1. | Beginner's Bible marked at the correct page | 1 |
| 2. | Story Box | 1 |
| 3. | Amazing Book mark | 1 |

WrapUp & Prayer Quantity

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| 1. | SLIDE: Basic Truth | 1 |
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Activity 1- Amazing Award Quantity

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| 1. | "Amazing Award" Activity Page on Cardstock (2/pg) | 1 |
| 2. | Crayons | Several |
| 3. | Stickers/Stamps (optional) | Several |
| 4. | Yarn (28 inch piece) | 1 |

Activity 2- Picture Story Review Quantity

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| 1. | "Story Bowling" Activity Page | 1 |
| 2. | "Layout" Activity Page | 1 |

Memory Verse with Motions Quantity

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| 1. | Memory Verse with Motions Poster | 1 |
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Parent Pick Up Activity Quantity

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| 1. | Beginner's Bible | 1 |
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