

Have fun learning and playing
with your preschooler!

First, watch
this week's
video!



Bible Story

The Centurion
(Matthew 8:5-13)

Remember This

"A friend loves at all times."
Proverbs 17:17, NIV

Say This

Who loves you?
Jesus loves me.

Activity

Parachute Helpers

What You Need

A towel

What You Do

Lay the towel flat on the floor. Ask your child to stand at one end of the towel and you stand at the other end. Ask them to help you move the towel up and down and down and side to side by holding the corners of the towel with their hands. Have them help you make it go fast and go slow. Continue as long as there is interest.

Say, "Let's play a fun game. I need help! Can you come stand by this towel with me? I need help moving the towel up and down. Will you help me? Thank you! Now, can you help me move it side to side? Thank you! Can you help me move it up and down really fast? Great job! Now, can you help me move it really slow?"

"Awesome job! You are such an amazing helper! Who helped the centurion in our story today? *(Pause.)* Yes, Jesus helped the centurion and made his servant all better. Jesus loves us so much, and He will always help us! **Who loves you? Jesus loves me!**"



Prayer

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to help us. Thank You that Jesus is always with us, listening, and ready to help. Please remind us to ask Jesus for help when we need it. We believe Jesus can help us. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

February 21, 2021, Week 3 Preschool and Kindergarten Online Activities

Today's Bible Story: Jesus loves me and wants to help me.

The Centurion • *Matthew 8:5-13*

Memory Verse: "A friend loves at all times." Proverbs 17:17, NIV

Key Question: Who loves you?

Bottom Line: Jesus loves me.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

1. Walk This Way

What You Need: Floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Tape a ten-foot line on the floor of your activity area.

During the Activity: Lead the children to move along the line in one of the ways listed below. Then lead the children back to the start of the line and call out a different way to travel. Repeat as time and interest allow.

Ways to Travel:

Hop

March

Walk

Tip toe

Walk sideways (slide step)

After the Activity: Pull up the floor tape for clean-up.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Do you see this line of tape? I'll call out a way to walk along the line."

During the Activity: "First, let's hop! Follow me and hop, hop, hop!"

"Whew that was a LONG way. Let's go back, and this time we'll MARCH on the line!" (*Repeat with different movements as long as desired.*)

After the Activity: "Great job, friends! That WAS a long way. Today's story was about a man who traveled a long way to get Jesus to help him. Jesus heard that someone needed His help, and He helped them. Jesus loved the Centurion and his servant just like He loves you. That's why He wants to be your friend forever, because He loves you very much. **Who loves you?** [Bottom Line] **Jesus loves me.**"

1. Feelings

What You Need: “Emoji” Activity Page, cardstock, scissors, and floor tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy “Emoji” Activity Page and cut out. Tape the different emojis on the floor around the room.

During the Activity: Call out one of the following feelings: happy, sad, angry, or scared. Have your child run to that emoji and stand on or by it. Say the memory verse together. Call out another feeling and repeat. Continue the activity by calling out all four feelings. Repeat as desired.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “We have faces on the floor. (*Point.*) I see a happy face (*point*), a sad face (*point*), an angry face (*point*), and a scared face.” (*Point.*)

During the Activity: “When I say a feeling like HAPPY, you run to the happy face. Are you ready? (*Pause and do activity.*) Great job! Let’s say our memory verse together. (*Continue activity.*) You are so good at this! Let’s do another feeling!” (*Finish activity.*)

After the Activity: “Our memory verse tells us that Jesus loves us, all the time—even if we are happy, sad, angry, or scared! He is always there! **Who loves you? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves me!**”

