



WEEK
THREE
MAY 2023

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

PRELUDE SOCIAL WORSHIP STORY GROUPS HOME

PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION
15 MINUTES

MADE TO IMAGINE

an activity that lets preschoolers pretend, imagine, and role play to enhance their learning



3. HELPER SAYS

WHAT YOU NEED: "Helper Cards" Activity Page, cardstock, and scissors

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Helper Cards" on cardstock and cut apart, one set per small group.

BIBLE STORY

God made each of us to help in different ways.

TIMOTHY AND TABITHA
1 TIMOTHY 4:12;
ACTS 9:36-39

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Gather the children in your activity area. Shuffle the cards and call on a child to select one. Show the card to the children and identify the community helper on the card. Once identified, lead the children to follow you (*like "Simon Says"*) with the motions on the card.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Talk about how today's Bible story is about two people who help in different ways.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, come stand here with me! I have some cards with different community helpers in this stack. If I call on you, I want you to draw a card and show it to all of our friends."

MEMORY VERSE

"We have the Lord our God to help us."

2 CHRONICLES 32:8, NLT

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's play! [Child's name], draw a card and show everyone. (*Pause.*) Ooo! You drew the [helper]. Let's act that out! [Helper's name] says, [helper's action]! (*Demonstrate the helper's action and do it with the children.*) Great job! [Child's name], pull a card. (*Continue until each child has a turn.*) That was so much fun!"

KEY QUESTION

Who made you to help others?

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Wow! There are so many people who help us. In our story today, we'll hear about two people who help others in different ways. Come with me."

BOTTOM LINE

God made me to help others.

TRANSITION: Move to Worship and Story by continuing to lead the children to perform the motions above, calling out a different community helper and the motion as you travel.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.



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PRELUDE SOCIAL WORSHIP STORY GROUPS HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

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



2. MADE TO HELP
[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]
WHAT YOU NEED: "Made to Help" Activity Pages, cardstock, safety scissors, glue sticks, and crayons

WHAT YOU DO:
BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Made to Help" on cardstock, one per child.

BIBLE STORY

God made each of us to help in different ways.

TIMOTHY AND TABITHA
1 TIMOTHY 4:12;
ACTS 9:36-39

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Assist the children as they cut out the pictures along the bottom of their page. Show the children where to glue their pictures as you review the Bible story. After you review the story, encourage the children to color the pictures.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Talk about how God made us to help others and we can help in different ways.

MEMORY VERSE

"We have the Lord our God to help us."

2 CHRONICLES 32:8, NLT

WHAT YOU SAY:
BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Hi, friends! Come sit with me. We're going to talk about Timothy and Tabitha!" (Give each child a "Made to Help" Activity Page.)

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "In our Bible story, we heard about two people who were made to help others. This is Tabitha. (Point to Tabitha.) And this is Timothy. (Point to Timothy.)

KEY QUESTION

Who made you to help others?

"Tabitha helped others by making coats for people who needed them. Look at your pictures and find the heart. Let's glue the heart next to Tabitha. Tabitha also helped others by making clothes for women who didn't have enough money to buy clothes. Look at your pictures and find the robe. We'll glue the robe next to Tabitha, too.

BOTTOM LINE

God made me to help others.

"Timothy helped others by showing them how to love people the way Jesus loves him. Look at your pictures and find the heart. Let's glue the heart on Timothy. Timothy also helped others by teaching them about Jesus. Look at your pictures and find Jesus. We'll glue Jesus next to Timothy, too.

"Tabitha and Timothy helped others in different ways because God made each of us to help others in different ways."

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "God made all of us to help others, and there are so many different ways we can help! So tell me, **who made you to help others? God made me to help others!**"