



BIBLE WORDS

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

2 CHRONICLES 32:8, NLT

The Four Friends
MARK 2:1-12

BOTTOM LINE

God made you to help others.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

CRAFT TIME

Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

WHAT YOU NEED: "Made to Help Frame" Activity Page; light-colored cardstock; dot markers; fun stamps; washable inkpads; baby wipes; and a permanent marker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Made to Help Frame" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage children to decorate the frame with markers and stamps. Clean hands as needed.

WHAT YOU SAY:

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "God made you to help others! You can help in lots of different ways. Let's decorate a frame that celebrates you being a helper! Use markers and stamps to make it fun and colorful! (Pause.) Super-duper friends!

"In our story, we heard how the four friends helped their friend who couldn't walk. God made them to help, and God made us to help, too. Hooray for helpers! Hooray for you! **God made you to help others.**"