



WEEK  
**TWO**  
MAY 2023

SMALL GROUP  
**2** YEAR  
-OLDS

PRELUDE      SOCIAL      WORSHIP      STORY      GROUPS      HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT  
25 MINUTES

**MADE TO MOVE**

an activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn



**3. HELPFUL TUNNEL**

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Preschool tunnel and baby doll or stuffed friend

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Place the tunnel in the middle of the activity area.

**BIBLE STORY**

God made me to help my friends.

**THE FOUR FRIENDS**  
**MARK 2:1-12**

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Invite a child to crawl through the tunnel while holding the doll or stuffed friend. Repeat the activity until all children have had a turn.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Talk about how the children were great helpers while carrying the plush friend through the tunnel, like the friends in our Bible story.

**MEMORY VERSE**

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

**2 CHRONICLES 32:8, NLT**

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Today in our Bible story, we heard about four friends who carried their friend to Jesus even though it was hard. They just wanted to help him."

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "Let's help our friend, too! (*Hold up the doll or stuffed friend.*) We need to help our friend go through the tunnel. It might be hard, but I know you are all such great helpers and friends that you can do it! [*Child's name*], carry the friend while you crawl through the tunnel. (*Pause.*) Great job! [*Child's name*], your turn. (*Pass the doll to the next child.*) Carry the friend as you crawl through the tunnel. (*Continue with each child.*) You were such amazing helpers and good friends!"

**KEY QUESTION**

Who made you to help others?

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "God made you and you and you (*point to each child*) to help each other. Just like the four friends in our story, God made us to help others. **Who made you to help others? God made me to help others.**"

**BOTTOM LINE**

God made me to help others.

**BASIC TRUTH**

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**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



**4. FOUR FRIENDS AND THE FULL HOUSE**

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Full House" and "Friends and Jesus Stickers" Activity Pages; cardstock; Avery® #5163 labels or equivalent; and permanent marker; Optional scissors and glue sticks

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**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Copy "Full House" on cardstock, one per child. Copy "Friends and Jesus Stickers" on label paper, one set per child. Write each child's name on their paper. Option: Copy "Friends and Jesus Stickers" on cardstock and cut, one set per child.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Have children add the sticker of Jesus to the full house. Then have children tell you if the friends came through the door or if they came in the house a different way. Have children add the sticker of the four friends and the friend they were helping on the roof. Option: Have children glue the picture of Jesus to the full house and the pictures of the four friends and the friend they were helping to the roof of the house.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Review the Bible story.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Come sit at the table with me, and let's make a picture to remember how the four friends helped in our story today."

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "Look at your picture and tell me what you see. (Pause.) That's right! It looks like the house from our story. It's really full of people. Why were there so many people in the house? (Pause.) That's right, they were there to see Jesus! See this rectangle on your paper? (Point.) Put the sticker of Jesus there. (Pause.) The four friends knew that Jesus could help their friend who couldn't walk, so they brought the man to see Him. But there were so many people in the house that they couldn't get in the front door! So they carried him to the roof and dug a hole to lower him through. See your sticker of the friends? Put that sticker on top of the roof near the hole. (Pause.) Now put the sticker with the picture of the man holding the mat next to Jesus. (Pause.) Jesus did something amazing. Jesus made the man's legs all better! He could walk and even dance! Great job of putting your picture together!"

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "Those four friends did what God made them to do. They helped, and we can help, too. God made you and me to help others. Hooray for helping! **Who made you to help others? God made me to help others.**"