

MONTHLY BIBLE STORY

Tabitha Helps

ACTS 9:36-42

BIBLE WORDS

"You are the light of the world."

MATTHEW 5:14, NIRV

BOTTOM LINE

You can love like Jesus.

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be
my friend forever.

STORY TIME

Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story. Some children (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

WHAT YOU NEED: Preschool Bible, "Tabitha's Goods" Activity Page copied on cardstock and cut out, toy car, toy food, and crayon

LEADER: "Hello, friends! I'm so glad to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's true story from the Bible (*hold up the Bible*) begins with a woman named Tabitha. Tabitha loved Jesus, and looked for ways she could love like Jesus.

"Did Tabitha love like Jesus by making a car? (*Hold up the toy car.*) Nooo! Tabitha didn't make any cars. Did Tabitha love like Jesus by making a [toy food]? (*Hold up the toy food.*) Nooo! Tabitha didn't make a [toy food]. Did Tabitha love like Jesus by giving someone a crayon? (*Hold up the crayon.*) Nooo! Tabitha didn't give anyone a crayon. Well, what about these things? (*Hold up the pictures of a coat and dress.*) Did Tabitha love like Jesus by making clothes? (*Pause.*) Yes! Tabitha was good at sewing so that's how she loved like Jesus! Yay, Tabitha! We can love like Jesus and help others too! **You can love like Jesus.**"