



TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

BIBLE STORY

I can talk to God
about anything.

KING HEZEKIAH PRAYS TO GOD
ISAIAH 37:14-21, 35; 38:1-6, 20

MEMORY VERSE

"Trust in the Lord
with all your heart."

PROVERBS 3:5, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who's got it?

BOTTOM LINE

God's got it.

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.

PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

SMALL GROUP

15
MIN

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive.

Scarves in the Air
Heart Filled
Beautiful Crown

LARGE GROUP

20
MIN

WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

"God's Got It" and "All I Wanna Do"

Bible Story
Prayer

SMALL GROUP

25
MIN

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.

Linking Hearts Verse
Stack the Story
Paint Chip Puzzles
Pass the Message
God's Got It Spinner
Journal and Prayer

HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home
Memory Verse Card
Parent Cue Card (*print or email*)
Parent Cue App



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. BEAUTIFUL CROWN

WHAT YOU NEED: Paper crown, sheets of circle stickers in a variety of colors, and scissors

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Cut sticker sheets into strips of four stickers, one strip per child. Sit together on the floor in a circle with the children. Give each child a strip of four circle

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stickers.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Add a circle sticker to the crown and then pass the crown to the child sitting next to you. Encourage the child to place one circle sticker on the crown and then pass to the friend next to them. Continue around the circle and repeat as desired.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Introduce the Bible Story.

MEMORY VERSE

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart."

PROVERBS 3:5, NIV

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Hello, my friends. Come sit in a circle on the floor with me. (Pause.) I have some stickers for you. (Pass out stickers.) We are going to use these to decorate this crown." (Hold up crown.)

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Can you tell me who wears a crown? (Pause.) Yes, that's right, a king or a queen. Today we are going to take turns adding a sticker to the crown so that we can make it beautiful! I'll add my sticker (pause) and pass it to my friend [child's name]. (Pass the crown to child next to you.) Add one sticker and pass it to the friend next to you. (Continue around the circle until it returns to you.) Look how beautiful the crown is. (Hold up the crown.) Let's add more stickers! (Add a sticker and pass to the child next to you.) Wow, friends, look at the crown now! (Hold up crown.) You did such a good job making it beautiful."

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Did you know kings and queens talk to God? (Pause.) Just like you and I talk to God. And in today's true Bible Story, we will hear about a king who talked to God about everything. Let's go hear all about it."

BOTTOM LINE

God's got it.

TRANSITION: Move to Worship and Story by calling out different things you see and asking if you can talk to God about them. Answer each question by putting your hand/fist in the air and loudly saying yes.

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.



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PRELUDE SOCIAL WORSHIP STORY **GROUPS** HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO PLAY

an activity that encourages preschoolers to follow guidelines while having fun and learning new concepts



1. LINKING HEARTS VERSE

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: Heart stickers

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Say the Memory Verse as you do the motions.

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DURING THE ACTIVITY: Position children in a circle, standing shoulder to shoulder. Adhere a heart sticker to the left palm of each child. Ask children to put their left hand into the circle face-down. Close your palm around the child's thumb to your left. Instruct each child to do the same until everyone is holding a thumb and your circle is complete. Say the Memory Verse together. Count to three and encourage children to let go and turn their palms up to reveal the heart.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bottom Line.

MEMORY VERSE

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart."

PROVERBS 3:5, NIV

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, let's say our Memory Verse together while we do the motions. Ready? 'Trust (*tug a pretend rope*) in the Lord (*point up*) with all your heart, (*tap heart twice*) Proverbs 3:5! (*Open hands like a book.*) Great job!"

KEY QUESTION

Who's got it?

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's stand in a circle. Everyone, scoot together so that our shoulders are touching. Great job. I have a heart for each of you. (*Turn their left hand over and adhere the sticker to their palm.*) Place your hand with the sticker face down into the circle. Now I'm going to close my hand in a fist around my friend's thumb. (*Pause.*) Now [child's name] will close their hand in a fist over the next friend's thumb. (*Pause.*) All the way around the circle. (*Pause.*) Now that we created a circle with our hands, let's say just the words to our Memory Verse. Ready? 'Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Proverbs 3:5! When I count to three, let go of each other's thumbs and flip our hands over. One, two, three! (*Pause.*) Look at all the love! That was fun!"

BOTTOM LINE

God's got it.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "We can trust God and talk to God about anything just like King Hezekiah in our Bible Story today. The Bible teaches us to trust in the Lord with all our heart because **God's got it. Who's got it? God's got it!**"

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.



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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



4. PASS THE MESSAGE

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Ask children to stand with you in the activity area.

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DURING THE ACTIVITY: Ask one child to walk with you to one side of the room and quietly share the following message: God loves you! Encourage the child to run to a friend and share the same message. Then encourage those two friends to go and share the message with two more friends and so on, until everyone has heard the message! If time allows, repeat, but this time share **God's got it!**

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bottom Line and Bible Story.

MEMORY VERSE

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WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, come stand with me."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "[Child's name], come with me. *(Walk to one side of the room.)* I want to share a special message with you. *(Quietly say to the child:)* God loves you. Did you hear the message? Great! Run and share that message quietly with a friend. *(Pause.)* Did you hear the message? Great! Now go share that message with two more friends. Let's keep sharing the message! *(Continue until each child has heard the message.)* Hooray! Everyone heard the message! *(If time allows, repeat with this message: **God's got it!***"

KEY QUESTION

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AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Friends! God loves you and God loves me! We can trust Him with everything because **God's got it! Who's got it? God's got it!**"

BOTTOM LINE

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BASIC TRUTH

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MADE TO REFLECT
an activity that encourages personal application and prayer



6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER
[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Memory Verse Card" Activity Page from Week One in Bible, a journal, a fun-shaped pen, reward stickers or handstamp

Note: You can find examples of hand motions in the "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF and video, included in the Prelude folder and on Pinterest.

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BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: If you do not have the "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible, copy "Memory Verse Card" on cardstock and cut one per Small Group. Place one card in your Bible at Proverbs 3:5.

Lead the children to pretend they are kings and queens as you go to your Small Group spot. Sit down and gather the children around you.

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DURING THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bible Story and Memory Verse Hand Motions; then encourage the children to help you make a list in the journal of anything they want to talk to God about.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Pray with the children using the list you made in the journal.

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WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "It's Small Group time! Today we are going to pretend we are kings and queens while we walk to our Small Group spot. Everyone, put on your pretend crown, like this. (*Demonstrate.*) Now stand up straight and follow me. (*Walk slowly, like a king/queen, waving to the people as you lead the children to your Small Group spot.*) We have arrived. You can take your crown off (*demonstrate*) and sit down so we can talk about today's Bible Story. One, two, three, sit down with me!"

BOTTOM LINE

God's got it.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: (*Open the Bible and lay it in front of the children.*) "In our Bible Story today, King Hezekiah talked to God about keeping his city safe. King Hezekiah talked to God about being sick. King Hezekiah talked to God about how much he loved God and wanted to do what God told him to do. King Hezekiah knew he could talk to God about anything because **God's got it!** **Who's got it? God's got it!**

BASIC TRUTH

God loves me.

"I want us to remember that we can trust God with all our heart, because God loves us AND **God's got it.** That's why we are learning this Bible verse. 'Trust (*tug a pretend rope*) in the Lord (*point up*) with all your heart. (*tap heart twice*) Proverbs 3:5!' (*Open hands like a book.*) Stand up and say that with me! Just say what I say and do what I do. 'Trust (*tug a pretend rope*) in the Lord (*point up*)



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with all your heart. *(tap heart twice)* Proverbs 3:5! *(Open hands like a book.)*

"You sound wonderful! *(Give high fives.)* You also sound like you're ready to try and say that verse by yourself. I want everyone to sit down, and we will take turns saying that Bible verse. Who wants to go first? I have my [stickers/ handstamp] ready! Way to go, [child's name]! *(Give two thumbs up.)* Here is a [sticker/stamp] for you! *(Say and do this with each child as they try to say the Bible verse.)* I am very proud of you for trying to say that Bible verse. When I count to three, I want everyone to stand up and show me your [sticker/stamp]. One, two, three! *(Pause to look.)* Yay! *(Clap.)* Now let's sit back down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. *(Open journal.)*

"Today, we are going to make a list of anything we want to talk to God about. It really can be anything because we can talk to God about anything! So, when I say your name, tell me anything you want to say to God or ask Him, and I will write it by your name." *(Remember to print as you write in the journal so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)*

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Look! We are trusting God and talking to God about anything! *(Hold up journal.)* Let's pray and talk to God right now. Would anyone like to pray before I pray? *(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)* Dear God, thank You for loving us and listening to us when we talk to You. Thank You that we can talk to You about anything! [Child's name] wants to *(read the list)*. [Child's name] wants to *(read the list)*. *(Read each child's name and what they listed)*. We know You've got it, God, and we love You very much! In Jesus' name, amen."