



3PK

February 1-2, 2014

DATE

God's Story

LESSON TITLE

The Bible (the whole story)

WHERE TO FIND IT

God Loves Us!

MAIN POINT

schedule

First 10 minutes of the service hour:

Engage kids in cooperative play activities to help them connect to other kids

Next 5 minutes: Connect Time

Next 25 minutes: Large Group

Last 25 minutes: Snack and Small Group

Finish early? Repeat the activity! Kids this age learn through repetition. Or, check out the end of the activities section to find an idea for this week.

tips

You may have quite a few new kids. Assume kids haven't experienced Kids' Club before and help them acclimate to the room and engage in an activity.

check-in/out

Remind kids to tell their parents why they're taking home a poster.

large group heads up

Today, we're learning about God's WHOLE story! But instead of retelling the whole story, we hope kids walk away knowing God loves them!



connect time

GOAL: *Connect time is all about engaging kids in a short, interactive game to prepare them for Large Group.*

- **Clean up! (10 minutes after the service start time, when you get the 5-minute warning from the presenter)**
- Line Up
- Today we're going to talk about how much God loves us! Let's imagine all the times God loves us.
 - If God loves you when you're smiling, hop one time
 - If God loves you when you're frowning, put your hands on your head
 - If God loves you when you're brushing your teeth, spin around
 - If God loves you while you're picking your nose, touch your toes
 - If God loves you while you're drinking water, say "YES"
 - End with these to *calm* kids down:
 - If God loves you while you're sleeping, say "Shhhh!"
 - If God loves you when you're shivering and cold, "freeze" like a statue
- If you want to hear God's whole story, stand on your tiptoes. *When it's time, tiptoe quietly into large group together.*

Tell kids we're going to hear about God's story and how he wants us to be part of it. Then say Shhh! and remind them to stay quiet for Large Group. Tiptoe in together!



instructions

Goal: Kids will (1) retell God's story and (2) understand that God loves them and wants them to be a part of it!

Why? If kids can retell a story (even a summary of a very large story), it means they understand it. We hope that if kids understand it, they'll want to be a part of it by following Jesus!

Tip: Many kids will be new. Use their first names as much as possible to make them feel known.

small group

***Give kids a snack as you review the story.**

REVIEW THE STORY

(Hold up the *Bible*)

1. What happened in the very beginning of God's story? (God created everything perfectly)
2. But then...what really, really sad thing happened? (Adam and Eve disobeyed God; all the wrong things in the world began)
3. The good news is God loved us too much to leave us like that! So what did he plan? (a rescue)
4. Who came to rescue us? (Jesus)

(Hold up the *poster*)

5. What does this poster remind you of? (Jesus' Rescue.) Tell me about it. (Let kids remember any details they can.)
6. How can we be part of God's story? (by following Jesus)

(Hold up the *mirror*)

7. Who does God want to be part of his story? (Everyone! Go around and let each kid look in the mirror. As they do, say something like, "Yes! Because God loves _____[kid's name].")

ACTIVITY: CELEBRATE GOD'S LOVE AND JESUS' RESCUE

***We want kids to have fun and remember the highlights of today's story.**

- Play musical **parachute**: play a ***Kids' Club CD***. While it is playing, kids can make waves. When the music stops, everyone quickly gets under the parachute or sits down on the ground.

- Place a **beach ball** on top of the **parachute** and have kids work together to keep it on the chute. As they bounce the ball, come up with phrases of praise to shout together. Here are some ideas:
 - God loves me!
 - Jesus Rescued me!
 - I love Jesus!
- Have kids hold the chute and walk in a circle while making waves.

***Pray with the kids, thanking God that we can be part of his story.**

Extra time? Play Duck, Duck Goose as a group. Or put on a crazy parade: Walk around the room in a variety of ways--on your heels, on your toes, forward, backward, quickly, slowly, left, right, standing tall, bent over, arms in front, arms behind, hands on head, hands on toes, with a partner, alone in a line, in a curved line, etc! You can lead or choose kids to be leaders. And to mix things up, add music. Keep kids engaged until parents arrive.

LARGE group

special notes

You'll probably have a lot of new kids today. Assume that many of them might be hearing a "review" of the beginning of God's story for the very first time!

presenter tips

Find ways to keep kids engaged by having them repeat a word or phrase, act something out, make a face or a motion... every couple minutes give them a way to engage verbally or kinesthetically. Double bonus - It will actually help them remember what you're saying too!

script

Presenter: Hi Friends! Welcome to Kid's Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS. She's going to remind us of the kind of choices we can make today in Kids' Club.

Video: HOPS 2 Obey Your Leaders (*about 1 minute*)

Wow, I can't wait to have some fun in Kids' Club today. Before we hear our story, can I see you point to a leader one more time. (Let kids respond.) Great job! Now let's hear today's story.

REVIEW THE BEGINNING OF GOD'S STORY

Presenter: (holding up the **Bible** for kids to see) This is where we can read about God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this story is the most important. It's God's Rescue plan.

Remember how God made the whole world and everything was good? The world was perfect! Give me a smile! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone:) But THEN, something bad happened. A snake tricked the first two people, Adam and Eve, into thinking they didn't need to trust or obey God. So Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and sadness and death came into the world... Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.) This was *really* sad.

But even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God...God loved them anyway! And he planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve—and you and me—can be close to God again. We've been talking about that KING and Rescuer. His name is....(Let kids say: Jesus!) Yes, Jesus!

INTRO: GOD'S STORY

Well, guess what? The rest of the Bible (refer to the bulk of the pages) tells us all about God's amazing rescue plan—and how he sent the Rescuer! Then it even tells us that one day, God will re-create the world and it will go back to being AMAZING, just like in the beginning.



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But did you guys know that God wants YOU to be a part of his story and his family? That's because he loves you SO much!

HOW WE CAN BE PART OF GOD'S STORY

You know, we don't have time to read the WHOLE Bible today. But, we can watch a video that tells us all about God's rescue plan, from beginning to end. Would you guys like to do that? (Let kids say: YES!) Alright, let's check it out!

As you watch, see if you can figure out how YOU can be a part of God's Story.

Video: God's Story: God's Story

Wow, did you guys see that?! God loved us way too much to leave us in a world full of wrong things. So he sent his son, Jesus, to rescue us and show us how to follow God. Now, we can be part of God's story—and part of his family—by following him! And one day, he'll re-create an amazing world, a perfect home for us to live in together.

GOD WANTS US ALL TO FOLLOW HIM BECAUSE HE LOVES US

So stand up if you think God loves you and wants YOU to be part of his story (let kids stand). That's right! God loves every single one of you and wants you to follow him. Everybody give yourself a hug and say, "Jesus loves me!" (Let kids say it.)

PRAY

Great job! OK, now let's pray together and tell Jesus we love him too! (Pray, breaking it into small repeatable phrases:)

Pray: Hi God! Thanks for rescuing us. Thanks for loving us. Thank you that we can be part of your story. Help us to follow you. We love you! In Jesus name, Aaaa-MEN.

WORSHIP

Song: Jesus Loves Me (with hand motions)

Song: Deep and Wide

Dismiss kids to small groups. (Be creative as you dismiss them. Ask them to come give you a high five first, or maybe tiptoe or hop--like Hops--to their groups.)



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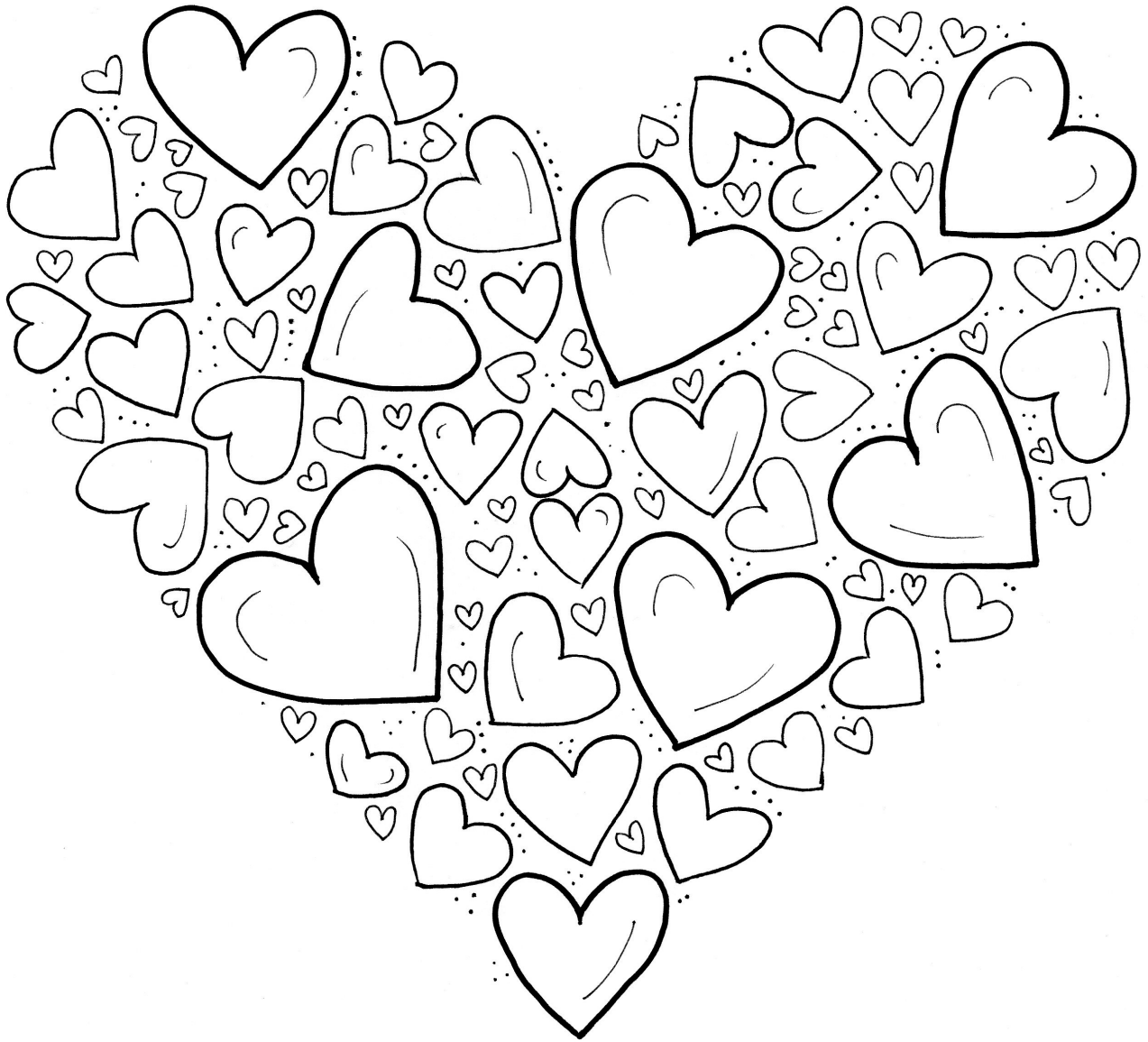
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PREP needs



connect time supplies

When does God love you game: No supplies needed

small group supplies

- 1 Bible
- 1 handheld mirror
- 1 parachute
- 2 mini beach balls
- Kids' Club CD (any)

TO BE CREATED by KC creative team:

- 1 poster per small group
- 1 poster per kid (same poster as small group)

large group supplies

- 1 Bible

a/v needs

1. Video: HOPS 2 Obey Your Leaders
2. Video: God's Story / God's Story
3. Song: Jesus Loves Me (with hand motions)
4. Song: Deep and Wide

connect questions

Tell me about God's Story.
Who does God want to be part of his story?

parent page

God loves us SO much that he wants US to be part of his story. Ask your kid to tell you about it, using his or her poster as a guide. You can also watch a video about today's story together by going to CrossroadsKidsClub.net and searching for "God's Story: God's Story."