



# Preschool

May 27-28, 2017

DATE

God's Story

LESSON TITLE

Genesis-Revelation (The whole Bible!)

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

## tips

Before going into large group, remind your class what HOPS the Kangaroo says:

- Have Fun
- Obey your leaders
- Put on your listening ears
- Share with others

## 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.)

**As you walk into Large Group, encourage kids to put on their listening ears! Remind them that HOPS will be showing us how we should act in Large Group, so we have to listen!**



## 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

### 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].")

\*Give each kid their own **God's Story poster** to take home. Explain that it shows all of God's Story from beginning to end, and it shows how much he LOVES us!

### MAKE IT PERSONAL

*\*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. (Continue on the following page)

- 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? Give kids a **coloring sheet**. Then, 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.*

## special notes

Today is a general overview of the main events of the Bible. Keep returning to the central message though: That God loves us, and he rescued us!

## presenter tips

Here's a link to today's story video:

God's Story / God's Story:  
<https://vimeo.com/85213037>

## script

### WELCOME AND INTRO

**Main Goal:** Review the beginning of God's story and rescue plan.

**Notes:**

- **\*Click to play intro music.**
- **Say:** Hi Friends! Welcome to Kids' Club. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS.
- **Video: HOPS Obey your leaders!**
- **Say:** (Holding up the **Bible**.) *This* is God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this is the most important. Do you know what it's called? (Let kids respond "the Bible".) That's right, the Bible! It's God's Rescue plan. It shows us how He rescued us from all the wrong things in the world.
- **Say:** In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it. He created the sun and the moon, the water and the land, the plants and the animals, and people like you and me! Everything was good. Give me a big thumbs up! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone.)
- **Say:** But THEN, something bad happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and all the wrong things came into the world. Things like sadness and death. Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God, God loved them anyway! He planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve, and you and me, could be close to God again! Do you know who the Rescuer is? (Let kids say: Jesus!)

### INTRO: GOD'S STORY

**Main Goal:** Review the beginning and end of God's story for us.

- **Say:** 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.
- **Ask:** 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! It's true! Let's all give a big thumbs up. (Let kids respond.)

### HOW WE CAN BE PART OF GOD'S STORY

**Main Goal:** Watch a video and understand how we're a part of God's story, and how much he loves us.

- **Say:** 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!)
- **Say:** 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**
- **Say:** 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.
- **Say:** 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.

### BREAK IT DOWN

**Main Goal:** Break down some of the important events in God's rescue plan.

- **Say:** Let's look back at some parts of this amazing story!
  - **(Image: Abraham and Sarah)** We saw Abraham and Sarah. God promised them he would give them a baby, and that someday their family would be HUGE! And the Rescuer, Jesus, would come from this family!
  - **(Image: Moses)** We saw Moses. He helped rescue God's special family, the Israelites!
  - **(Image: King)** God promised his family that someday a king would be born, and would rescue everyone! And then...
  - **(Image: Jesus' birth)** Jesus the rescuer was born!
  - **(Image: Jesus dies)** Something sad happened after that. Jesus rescued us by dying for us, so we could be close to God again. But then....
  - **(Image: Jesus is alive)** Jesus rose from the dead! He is alive! And he wants EVERYONE to follow him.

**WRAP UP AND WORSHIP**

**Main Goal:** Help kids interact through prayer and worship!

**Notes:**

- **Say:** 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.)
- **Say:** 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.
- **Set up worship:** Now let's show Jesus how much WE love HIM, by worshipping him with singing and dancing.
- **Music Video: Jesus Loves Me**
- **Music Video: Let All That I Am Praise the Lord**
- **Music Video: Whole Wide World**

*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.)*



## connect questions

Tell me about God's Story.

Who does God want to be part of his story?

## lesson supplies

Connect Time			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
No supplies needed			

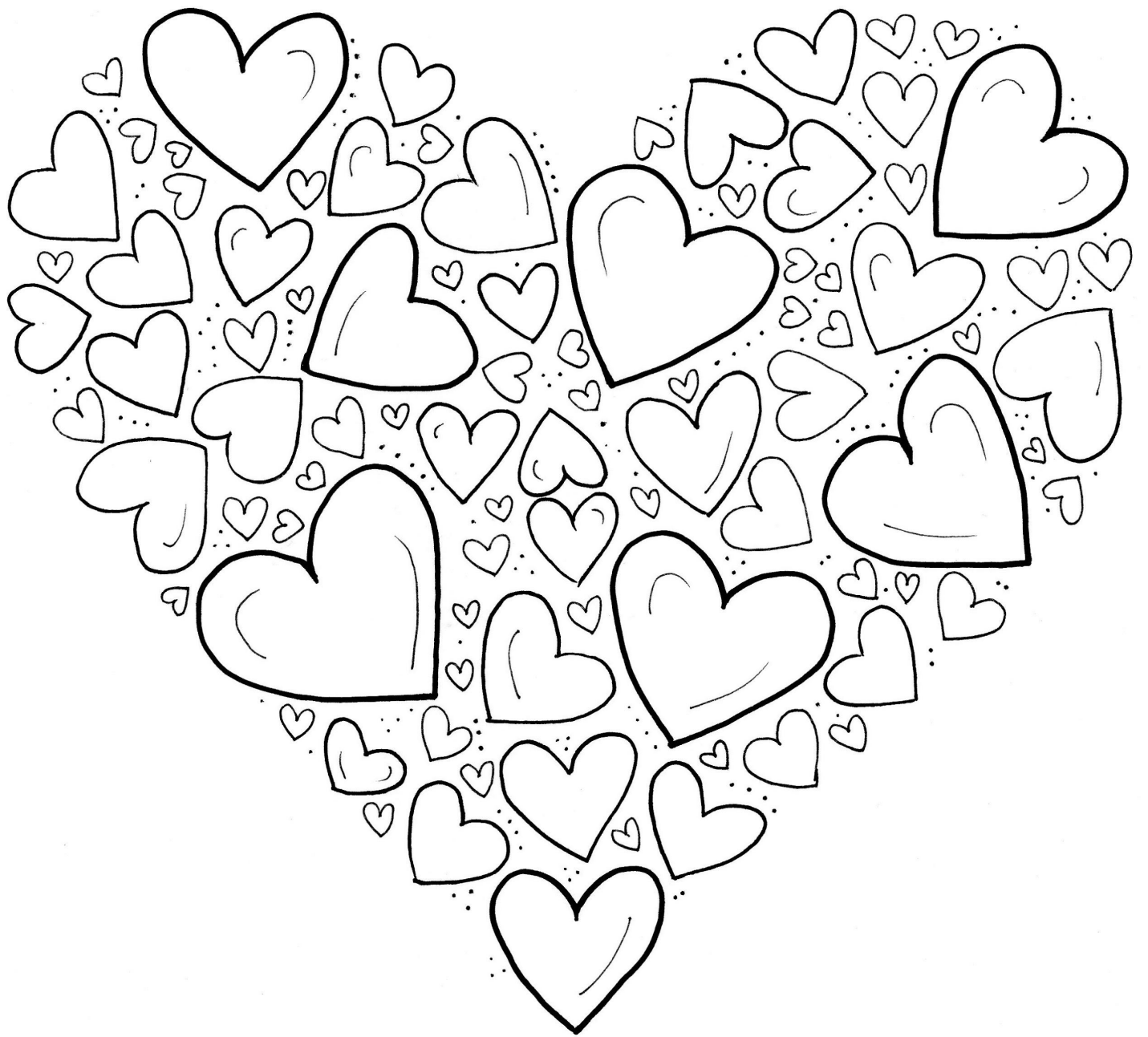
Small Group			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Coloring Page - Heart	1 per kid	Page 9, white paper, black & white	site
Markers	1 set per group, reused		site
God's Story Poster	1 per kid	11x17 cardstock, color, double sided, <a href="#">Page 1</a> , <a href="#">Page 2</a>	site
Jesus Storybook Bible	1 per room, reused		site
Mirror	1 per room, reused	Target; Item #(DPCI): 063-04-3585; <a href="#">link</a>	KC Central
Parachute	1 per room, reused	Oriental Trading- <a href="#">Option 1</a> , <a href="#">Option 2</a>	KC Central
Beach ball	1 per room, reused	Oriental Trading; Inflatable Rainbow beach balls; Item <a href="#">#IN-13741499</a>	KC Central
KC Music	n/a		

Large Group			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Jesus Storybook Bible	1 per large group, reused		site



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# A/V needs

## Preschool



1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Video: HOPS Obey your leaders! (<https://vimeo.com/67408011>)
3. Video: God's Story / God's Story (<https://vimeo.com/85213037>)
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12. Music Video: Whole Wide World (<https://vimeo.com/75339448>)