

# Feb 15/16, 2020

# **NEED TO KNOW**

Today is the first of two weeks that kids will be hearing about the story of Matthew 6:25-36! Next week, we'll hear the same story, but with different activities.

# FREE PLAY | 15 minutes

Check kids into the room and personally connect with them through free play.

# **GET READY** | 10 minutes

Clean up and play a fun game to prepare kids for Large Group.

# LARGE GROUP | 15 minutes

Watch a story video, worship, and pray!

# SMALL GROUP | 15+ minutes

Personally connect with kids as they eat a snack. Play with kids through guided play-based activities!

# CLEAN UP | 1 minute

- Clean up when the presenter gives you a **5 minute warning** (about 15 minutes into the service).
- It's clean up time! Let's all clean up while I count down from 10 to 1. Ready, set....go!
- Slowly countdown from 10 to 1 until kids have cleaned up toys. Then circle up on the floor, or line up at the door.

## BIG IDEA 1 minute

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- Jesus (point index finger to the middle of each palm)
- Takes care (hug yourself)
- **Of us** (point to self)

## GET READY

### 3 minutes

SAY Today, we're going to hear about a special story that Jesus told his friends! *Let's all pretend like we're reading a story in a book!* 

**SAY** In this story, Jesus' friends are worried. That means they thought Jesus wouldn't take care of them! **Show me a sad face.** 

SAY We don't have to worry, because Jesus loves us and always takes care of us! *Give yourself a big hug!* 

SAY In the story, Jesus talks about birds! *Let's all pretend* to be a bird!

SAY Then Jesus talks about flowers! *Let's all pretend to be flowers!* 

If you still have time before Large Group, play Simon Says while kids are in line!

### HOPS | 1 minute



**SAY** Hey everyone, I'm so glad to see you! Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS. She's going to show us how we can act in Kids' Club!

• Video: HOPS / Put Your Listening Ears On! (1 minute)

# GOD'S STORY | 5 minutes

**SAY** *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? (The Bible!) It's God's Rescue plan! It shows us how He rescued us from all the wrong things in the world. **Show** *kids the Bible.* 

**SAY** In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it, and it was GOOD. Let's all say, "It was good!" *Make a big world with your arms.* 

**SAY** God made all the water in the oceans, and rivers, and lakes. Let's pretend to swim in the water! *Pretend to swim.* 

SAY God made all the dirt and trees and flowers. Let's pat the ground and feel the dirt in our hands! Now put your arms up and be a tree! *Pat the ground or pretend to be a tree.* 

**SAY** God made all kinds of animals, like birds! Let's pretend to flap our wings and fly like a bird! *Pretend to fly like a bird.* 

**SAY** Then God made two people: Adam and Eve. They got to live in a beautiful garden, and walk and talk with God. And it was GOOD. *Hold up two fingers.* 

**SAY** But THEN, something very, VERY sad happened. A snake tricked Adam and Eve, and they disobeyed God. Then, all the wrong things came into the world, like sickness, and sadness and death. Show me your sad face. *Make a SSSSS sound and slither like a snake.* 

**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? Jesus! *Let's say JESUS!* 

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## TELL THE STORY | 10 minutes

**SAY** One day, Jesus was spending time with his friends, the disciples! Now, even though Jesus loved them, and would always take care of them, his friends were worried! Being worried is when we keep thinking about our problems, and we're scared that Jesus won't take care of us. *Show me a sad face.* 

**SAY** Sometimes we worry that we won't get everything we need. We might get sad, or scared, or mad. Maybe we worry that we won't have enough food to eat, or that we won't have enough toys to play with! *Let's watch a video and see what Jesus said to do instead of worrying and being afraid.* 

• Video: Saddleback Kids / Don't Worry

**SAY** Wow! Jesus said that we NEVER have to worry, because he will always take care of us and give us what we need! Give me a big thumbs up! First, he talked about birds. That's kind of funny, isn't it? *Let's see some birds right now, and flap our wings and chirp like birds!* 

#### • Video Loop: Bird Chirping

**SAY** Jesus said, "Look at the birds! They won't worry about what they'll eat!" That means that if the birds don't worry about what they eat, WE don't have to worry about it either! *Let's all say Jesus takes care of us!* 

**SAY** Next, Jesus talked about flowers! He said, "Look at the beautiful flowers in the fields! They don't worry about what they will wear. So WE don't have to worry either." *Let's look at some flowers right now, and pretend that WE are flowers dancing in the wind!* 

#### • Video: Flowers Can Dance

**SAY** Guess what? Jesus loves us WAY more than he loves birds and flowers. So if he can take care of them, he can take care of us! God loves us sooooo much, and he will always watch over us. *Let's all say Jesus takes care of us!* 

## **PRAY + WORSHIP** | 5 minutes

**SAY** Now it's time to pray to God. When we pray, that means we talk to him, and he actually LISTENS to us, and hears our words! So let's talk to God right now. Close your eyes, and say these words after me.

**PRAY** Dear God, sometimes we forget to focus on you, so please help remind us that you're always here, and you'll always help us! Aaa-men!

**SAY** Now it's time to worship Jesus! That means we sing and dance and tell him how much we love him. Everybody stand up and sing as loud as you can!

- <u>Music Video: Whole Wide World (3 minutes)</u>
- <u>Music Video: Jesus Loves Me (3 minutes)</u>
- <u>Music Video: If You're Happy and You Know</u>
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Dismiss kids to their rooms in a fun way, like tip-toeing, acting like an animal, pretending to fly, etc.



## SUPPLIES

- Garden template (1 per kid)
- Flower stickers (3 per kid)
- Markers
- Story card (1 per kid)

## **STORY TIME**

- ASK Did Jesus' friends worry? (Yes) Does Jesus want us to worry? (No!)
- ASK Does Jesus take care of everything he created? (Yes)
- ASK Does Jesus take care of... (say different kids' names and let them answer, "Yes!")
- ASK What two things in nature did Jesus talk about? (Flowers and birds)

## **SNACK TIME**

Pass out **graham crackers or goldfish**, and let kids eat at tables. This is a time to personally connect with kids and find out about their day, not just focusing on the story.

ASK Tell me about your day. What's your favorite (blank)? Who do you live with?

### **CREATE AND PLAY**

SAY Jesus said even the birds and flowers don't worry, because they know God will take care of them. Let's create some flowers to remind us that Jesus takes care of us!

- Give kid *a garden template* and *three flower stickers*. Set out *markers*.
- Kids can *trace the dotted line shapes* and color in the flower stems and leaves.
- Let kids put their flowers stickers in the blank spaces on top of the stems. Kids can color and decorate the rest of their garden however they like.
- Give each kid *a story card* to take home.

#### EXTRA TIME?

- Let each kid take a turn and say one thing that God takes care of. It can be an animal, a person, an object, etc (animals will be the easiest suggestion for younger kids).
- Now, everyone else **acts like that thing.** For example, if someone says that God takes care of dogs, all the kids will act like dogs for about 10 seconds.
- Give kids a coloring page or activity sheet until their parents pick them up.

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Big Idea: Jesus takes care of us. Tell me about the birds and flowers.

LARGE GROUP			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Jesus Storybook Bible	1 per large group, reused	BiblesbytheCase.com	site

SMALL GROUP				
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Coloring sheet / Activity Sheet- Don't Worry	Quantity determined by site.	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 8 / 9	site	
Markers	Quantity determined by site.		site	
Garden template	1 per kid	8.5x11 paper, black & white, Page 11	site	
Flower Stickers	3 per kid	Oriental Trading	KC Site Support	
Story card	1 per kid	8.5x11 cardstock, color, cut into quarter sheets, Page 10 *These story cards will be used again next week for Wk2 of this lesson.	site	

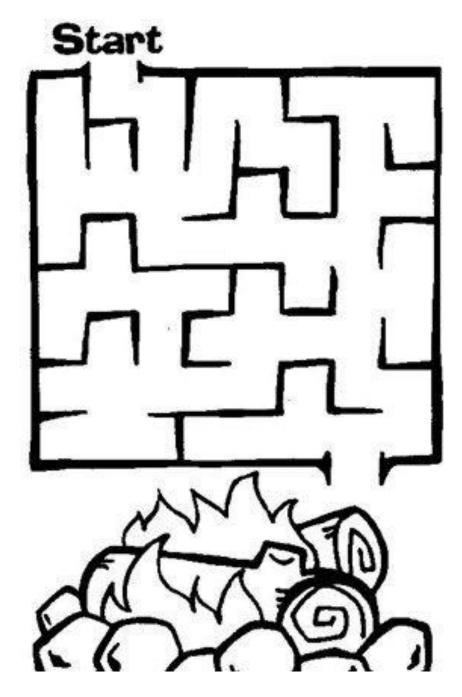
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What does Jesus say about worrying? How can we be more like the birds and flowers? Read more about this week's story in Matthew 6:25-34.

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How did Jesus feed the 5000? What's a miracle? Read more about this week's story in John 6: 1-14.

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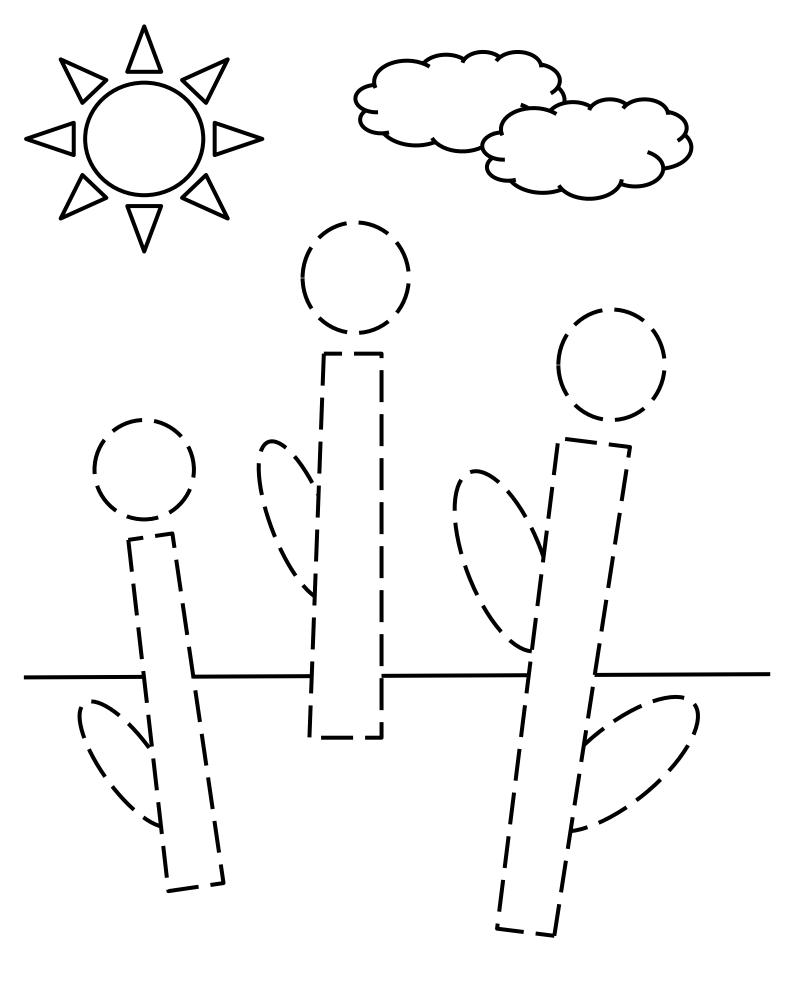
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- 1. *KC Logo Slide:* for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
- 2. HOPS Put your listening ears on! (winter version)
- 3. Video: Saddleback Kids / Don't Worry
- 4. Video Loop: Bird Chirping (0:00-0:30; <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NU9RO\_v52e4</u>)
- 5. Video: Flowers Can Dance (0:00-1:28; <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ryUxrFUk6MY</u>)
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