

Elementary + Preteen

Crafts Rotation

Crafts Rotation Day 1

② Glow-Up Shield

FOR TODAY



Today's Bible Story

**Jesus Calls His Disciples
Luke 5:1-11**

Key Question

Who is Jesus?

Bottom Line

Jesus is the way.

Basic Truth

**Because of Jesus,
I am called.**

Memory Verse

**"Jesus spoke to the
people again. He said,
'I am the light of the
world. Anyone who
follows me will never
walk in darkness. They
will have that light.
They will have life.'"
(John 8:12 NIV)**

DAY 1 / OPTION 2

Glow-Up Shield

What You Need

- "Glow-Up Shield" Activity Page
- "Shield Straps" Activity Page
- Glow-in-the-dark paint
- Jewels
- 8" Glowsticks, one for each kid
- Paint brushes
- Paper plates
- Clear packing tape
- Plastic tablecloths

① What You Do

1. Before you begin:
 - Cover your tables with plastic tablecloths.
 - Set a "Glow-Up Shield" cutout, a "Shield Strap," and a handful of jewels at each kid's spot.
 - Squirt paint in varying colors onto paper plates and set them at each table.
2. Invite the kids to attach the strap to the back of their shield with tape. Help as needed.
3. Direct the kids to paint their shields and add jewels while the paint is still damp. The wet paint will act as glue.
4. Once the shields are dry, activate the glowsticks and slide each end into the slits.

② What You Say

"Hold up your shield and say with me, **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is the way. (With kids.) **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is the way! That's right, friends. God sent His Son, Jesus, to teach everyone, everywhere, about God and show them what God's love looks like. Do you remember when we heard that Jesus is God? Meaning Jesus had all the power and authority of God, but came to earth as a person so Jesus could help us in a way we'd understand. Jesus did amazing things, like helping people who couldn't walk be able to run and jump. Jesus helped people who were blind be able to see. But Jesus also helped people understand God and His Kingdom in a way that helped open their hearts, not just their eyes. Jesus came for everyone because God's Kingdom is for everyone. Jesus wants us to follow Him so we can help share God's Kingdom with other people, just like He did. When we follow Jesus, we follow the light because **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is the way!"

DAY 1

Getting Ready

2. Glow-Up Shield

- Print "Glow-Up Shield" Activity Page on cardstock and cut apart, one for each kid.
 - Print "Shield Straps" Activity Page on cardstock and cut apart, one strip for each kid.
 - Glow-in-the-dark paint, enough for the Group to share
 - Jewels, enough for the Group to share
 - 8" Glowsticks, one for every kid
 - Paint brushes, one for every kid
 - Paper plates, one for every kid
 - Clear packing tape, one roll for each Group
 - Plastic tablecloths, one for each table
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Crafts Rotation Day 2

④ Cup of Light

FOR TODAY



Today's Bible Story

Jesus Walks on Water
Matthew 14:22-33

Key Question

Where is Jesus when things look rough?

Bottom Line

Jesus is with me.

Basic Truth

Because of Jesus, nothing can shake me.

Memory Verse

"Jesus spoke to the people again. He said, 'I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows me will never walk in darkness. They will have that light. They will have life.'"
(John 8:12 NIV)

DAY 2 / OPTION 4

Cup of Light

What You Need

- “Cup of Light” Activity Page
- Prepared clear plastic cups
- Tissue paper squares
- Battery-operated tea lights
- Pipe cleaners
- Glue sticks
- Hole punch

① What You Do

1. Before you begin, place the following items at each kids spot.
 - Cup
 - Pipe cleaner
 - Glue stick
 - “Cup of Light” strip
2. Encourage the kids to put glue all over their cup.
3. Invite them to cover the cup with the tissue paper squares, overlapping them to cover the entire surface of the cup.
4. Ask kids to put glue on the back of their “Cup of Light” paper strip and place it around the cup.
5. Demonstrate how to thread the ends of the pipe cleaner into each hole and twist to secure.
6. Give each kid a battery-operated tea light, invite them to turn the light on, and place it into their cup.
7. Admire the beauty of the light of each cup!

② What You Say

“Look at how your cup of light glows! *(Pause.)* Wow, they’re really beautiful! Let’s say our verse together: ***Jesus spoke to the people again. He said, “I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows me will never walk in darkness. They will have that light. They will have life” (John 8:12 NIV).*** When we follow Jesus, we follow the light—real life! ***[Bottom Line] Jesus is with me.*** All we have to do is choose to follow Jesus, and when you do, you will shine bright like your beautiful lights.”

DAY 2

Getting Ready

4. Cup of Light

- Print “Cup of Light” Activity Page on paper and cut apart, one strip for each kid
- Clear plastic cups, one for each kid
- Tissue paper squares
- Battery-operated tea lights, one for each kid
- Pipe cleaners, one for each kid
- Glue sticks, one for each kid
- Hole punch

1. Punch two holes on opposite ends at the top of each cup.

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Crafts Rotation Day 3

① Kingdom Charm

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Today's Bible Story

**Jesus' Crucifixion &
Resurrection**
Luke 23:32-45, 55-56;
Luke 24:1-6

Key Question

**What is the greatest
thing anyone has ever
done for you?**

Bottom Line

Jesus is alive!

Basic Truth

**Because of Jesus,
I am saved.**

Memory Verse

**"Jesus spoke to the
people again. He said,
'I am the light of the
world. Anyone who
follows me will never
walk in darkness. They
will have that light.
They will have life.'
(John 8:12 NIV).**

DAY 3 / OPTION 1

Kingdom Charm

What You Need

- Prepared plates with neon beads, alphabet beads, and carabiners
- Alphabet beads
- Bead lacing thread
- Paper plates
- Scissors

① What You Do

1. Before you begin, place a paper plate with neon beads, a carabiner, and “J-E-S-U-S” letters at each kid’s spot.
2. Demonstrate for the kids how to thread the cord on the carabiner through several neon beads.
3. Invite the kids to thread the letter beads in this order: J-E-S-U-S. Assist the kids as needed!
4. Direct them to add a few more neon beads, then help them tie it off.
5. Trim the ends of the cords with scissors as needed.

② What You Say

“Wow, your Kingdom Charms look amazing! And guess what? They spell something powerful ... JESUS! Friends, **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is alive! What fantastic news! You can clip your charm to your bag or backpack and remember the biggest moment in history when Jesus gave His life for us, and then came back to life!

In our Bible Story today, we learned that Jesus was arrested, placed on a cross, and died. It was so sad ... but it wasn’t the end of the story. After Jesus was buried in the tomb, something incredible happened: the tomb was empty. **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is alive! Because He came back to life, we get to have new life, too. That means we can know God, talk to Him anytime, and live forever with Him! So when you clip your Kingdom Charm to your backpack or lunchbox, let it remind you: Jesus loves me. Jesus died for me. **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is alive, and that changes everything!

Say it with me one more time: **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is alive!”

DAY 3

Getting Ready

1. Kingdom Charm

- Neon pony beads
- Alphabet beads (J-E-S-U-S letters); one set for each kid
- 1.5-2 mm nylon cord
- Metal lobster claw clasps or heart-shaped carabiner, one for each kid
- Paper plates, one for each kid
- Scissors

1. Cut the cord into 24-inch pieces, one for each kid
 2. Fold the cord in half, loop it through the ring of the clasp or carabiner, and knot it.
 3. For each kid, pull out letters J-E-S-U-S and put them on the plate with the prepared knotted clasp/carabiner and place at each spot at the table.
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Crafts Rotation Day 4

② Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph

FOR TODAY



Today's Bible Story

Peter's Denial & Restoration

Matthew 26:31-35, 69-75; Mark 16:6-7; John 21:15-19

Key Question

What do I do when I've messed up?

Bottom Line

Jesus makes me new.

Basic Truth

Because of Jesus,
I am made new.

Memory Verse

"Jesus spoke to the people again. He said, 'I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows me will never walk in darkness. They will have that light. They will have life.'" (John 8:12 NIV).

DAY 4 / OPTION 2

Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph

What You Need

- “Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph” Activity Page
- Coloring supplies
- Glue sticks
- Kid scissors

① What You Do

1. Give each kid a set of “Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph” Activity Pages and a pair of scissors.
2. Make the coloring supplies available.
3. Invite them to draw their self-portrait on the page with the **Bottom Line**, and color the pictures on the other.
4. Direct the kids to cut along the lines of their self-portrait and picture page.
5. Help kids, if needed, to accordion fold their blank page along each line, then flatten it.
6. Point out the numbers on each strip and the numbers on the blank page.
7. Ask kids to align and glue each strip to the corresponding section.
8. Demonstrate how the picture they see changes when folded and straightened.
9. Let the kids explore and discover how their pictures change!

② What You Say

“Whoa! These agamographs are SO cool. One picture turns into another! That’s what happens when Jesus is part of your story. He takes the old and makes it new. Let’s recap today’s Bible Story. Today we learned that Peter denied his friendship with Jesus three different times, just as Jesus said he would. And when the rooster crowed, Peter remembered what Jesus had said, that he would deny Him three times before the rooster crowed, and now he had done it. Peter cried. He knew he had messed up.

After Jesus died and came back, Jesus went and found Peter while he was fishing. As soon as Peter saw Jesus, he jumped off his boat and swam straight to Jesus! Jesus and Peter ate together, talked together, and Jesus forgave Peter. Jesus gave Peter a new start. Jesus told Peter that if he kept following Him, there would be so much more adventure to come! Look at your agamograph again. One side shows us a picture, and the other side? It’s YOU. That’s a picture of someone who is made new by Jesus. Just like Peter, you can be changed from the inside out when you trust Him.

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DAY 4 / OPTION 2

Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph

What You Need

- "Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph" Activity Page
- Coloring supplies
- Glue sticks
- Kid scissors

Let's say it together:

Jesus makes me new!

Say it again, like you believe it:

Jesus makes me new!

Peter wasn't just forgiven, he was changed. He became a leader who helped start the church. When Jesus forgave Peter, he got a new start. And Jesus can do the same for us because **[Bottom Line]** Jesus makes me new!"

DAY 4

Getting Ready

2. Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph

- Print “Jesus Makes Me New Agamograph” Activity Page on copy paper, one set for each kid.
 - Coloring supplies
 - Glue sticks
 - Kid scissors
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