



Oct 1

God is Kind to Me 1 year olds - 4 year olds

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: God is Kind to Me- Jonah 1-4

Bottom Line: God is merciful and kind.

Leader Context: God is kind to us- just like how He was kind to the people of Nineveh and even to Jonah. God is kind because it's who He is- not because we do anything to deserve it. God sent Jesus to forgive us for our sins because He is kind.

THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS: Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

Social

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instructions

What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

Say: That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

Videos

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Say This!

Thank you, Super Crew, for telling us the Bible story about Jonah. Does anyone remember today's Big Deal? To the rescue! God forgives me! That is our Big Deal today. Let's say it together. 3-2-1 with motions.

To the (Cross arms in front of chest in an X)

Rescue (swing arms out to the side, keeping fists at shoulder height)

God (point up)

Forgives me (Bring hands to chest)

I am thankful God is kind and forgiving to all people. K-I-N-D. Kind to me. And you, and you, and you!

Just like God forgave Jonah and the people of Nineveh, God will do the same for me and you.

We can talk to God in prayer and ask Him to forgive us of the wrong things we do.

Close your eyes and pray with me. Remember prayer is talking and listening to God.

"God thank You for being kind enough to forgive us when we make wrong choices. Please forgive us for the wrong things we do. Help us learn to obey and follow the plan that You have for us.

God Forgives (20 minutes)

What You Need: Fish printable (1 per kid), colorful construction paper or tissue paper squares, glue sticks, markers

What You Do:

- Let's make a fish craft together. Everyone look at your fish. These fish remind me of the Bible Story. God sent a big fish to save Jonah. Watch me as I draw a little stick man inside my fish. Let's pretend it's Jonah.
- Now you try drawing "Jonah" inside your fish. Let's put glue on our fish and stick these little pieces of paper on the fish to make scales. Oh look. We covered up Jonah. Now he really is in the big fish.

Say "God told Jonah to go to Nineveh, but Jonah disobeyed God. He made a wrong choice and got on a boat that went in a different direction far away. Have you ever disobeyed or made a wrong choice when you knew what the right choice was? maybe you chose not to do what your parent or teacher told you to do? We all make wrong choices. Do you know why? Because we live in a world that is messed up, and not like God made it to be at first. Our world is broken, and because of that all people, including you and me, make wrong choices. But the good news is God is kind to us. He is ready to forgive us when we ask. God forgave Jonah for making a wrong choice, and God forgives us too.

Say:

- Do you remember what was in our Super box today? (a flower) When you see a flower, what do you remember? (God is kind to me)
- What was your favorite part of the Bible story?
- God is kind and will always forgive you, no matter what. How can that truth help you when you make a wrong choice?
- What is something you learned about God today?
- What can you tell your friends and families about this week?

Our Big Deal is, "To the rescue, God forgives me." Let's try together again with these hand motions.

To the (Cross arms in front of chest in an "X")

Rescue (Arms swing out, keep fists at shoulder height)

God (point up)

Forgives me (Hands to chest)

The same way God was kind to Jonah and the Ninevites, He is kind to us. God was kind when He sent His Son, Jesus, to forgive us. I am so glad that God is kind and forgives us.

Prepare kids to talk with their family about what they learned today.

- Pass out coloring pages for kids to take home.
- As family members arrive to pick up their kid, greet them and tell them one thing you noticed about their kid that day or something you talked to each kid about remembering this week.
- If there is time to chat with the family, ask how you can pray for them this week.
- Say bye to the kids and call them by name.