

FRESH START



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Preschool

October 4, 2026 I Am Forgiven Preschool Leader Guide

the place for kids to take
their first steps with jesus.

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Forgiveness is our greatest need and Jesus freely offers it to everyone who responds to Him with faith.

BIBLE- *Jesus Forgave and Healed a Man- Mark 2:1-12; Luke 5:17-26*

TOOLS

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ASK Leader



Leader Devos



Like It Counts

SOCIAL TIME

The first 10-15 minutes as kid's arrive are some of our most important times to meet needs and show kids they are valued. This is why we provide strategic activities for you help engage with every kid as they arrive.

- This month you have Potato Head sets and Dance Party cards.
- You will also find 2 Social activities each week. ***Use one now and one at the end to redirect attention.*

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Social Game Instruction Page including Roku Games, Butcher paper (1 per group), Marker (1 per group), Toy cars (1 per child) Toy doctor kit (1 per group), Baby dolls (several)

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."

Bible Story - Say This!

Thanks, Super Crew! Four friends brought a man who could not walk to Jesus. Jesus forgave him and healed him so he could walk again! A bandage helps an outside hurt, but Jesus forgives our wrong choices and heals the hurt inside. Jesus is God's Son, and His forgiveness lasts forever!

Let's talk and listen to God. This is called prayer. Ready? Let's pray in 3-2-1.

God, thank You for the true story in the Bible that shows us how You forgive and heal. Thank You for forgiving us when we ask. We are so thankful that You make a way for us to have a friendship with You. Amen.

Can you say the Big Deal with me?

Stuck on You! (*Clasp both hands together in front of you.*)

God Forgives Me and You! (*Move open hands up to point to the sky. Then point to yourself with your thumbs and out toward friends.*)

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)**Work Together (20 minutes)**

Big Goal: Remember that Jesus is God's Son, and He has the power to heal and forgive.

Supplies: Playground ball (1 per group), Towel (1 per group), Pool noodles (several)-

Leader Prep: Set up a simple obstacle course path using pool noodles.

Game Instructions:

1. Before the game, set up a simple obstacle course path using pool noodles.
2. Form teams of four to six preschoolers. Give a team the towel and the ball.
3. Encourage preschoolers to hold the towel as a group and place a ball on top. Guide them to move through the obstacle course together while holding the ball on the towel.

What To Do: Let's play a game called "Work Together." What's the name of the game we are going to play? (Work Together!) That's it! In today's Bible story we learned how friends helped carry a friend to Jesus who could not walk. We will pretend the ball is someone who cannot walk that needs to get to Jesus. Let's work in teams and take turns getting through the path to the end. If you are ready, let me hear you say, "Let's go!" (Let's go!)

Keep It Going: Change the path to make it more challenging for additional rounds.

Leader Tip: Encourage groups to keep going if the ball drops. Just start again where they are and encourage the other preschoolers to cheer them on to the finish.

Loud And Clear: This game reminds us of how friends carried a man who could not walk to Jesus. Because Jesus is God's Son, He has the same power as God to heal and forgive. Jesus forgave the man for the wrong things he had done and then healed him so he could walk again. That is amazing! Jesus didn't only heal the man—He forgave his sins, the wrong choices he had made. Jesus can forgive us when we ask Him too.

TALK IT OUT

Say:

- We have done some fun things so far today. What have you liked most?
- Who remembers what our Super Clue is today? *(a bandage)*
- What does a bandage help us remember? *(A bandage protects and helps heal our hurt places. When we ask Him, Jesus forgives our hurt from the wrong things we do.)*
- What do you remember most from today's Bible story?
- Today we are learning about how God can forgive us. What do we need to do for God to forgive us? *(Ask Him!)*
- Do you remember today's Big Deal? Say it with me *(with motions below)*:
Stuck on You! *(Stuck on You!)* God Forgives Me and You! *(God Forgives Me and You!)*

Keep It Going: Look at a friend and repeat the Big Deal together. Then find another friend and repeat the Big Deal while facing them.

Big Deal Motions:

Stuck on You! *(Clasp both hands together in front of you.)*

God Forgives Me and You! *(Move open hands up to point to the sky. Then point to yourself with your thumbs and out toward friends.)*

Jesus forgave a man for the wrong things he had done, and then He healed him so he could walk again. Jesus is God's Son, and He has the power to forgive and heal. Everyone needs God to forgive them, and He will forgive us when we ask Him. Let's say our Big Deal together one more time. "Stuck On You! God Forgives Me and You!"

GOING HOME

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.