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September 15

I Am Known

1 year olds - 4 year olds

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: Mary and Martha- Luke 10:38-42

Bottom Line: God knows my real feelings.

Leader Context: In Matthew 10:38-42, we read a story of two sisters, Mary and Martha. Jesus and His followers, the disciples, went to visit the two sisters. Martha was distracted with her preparations and frustrated that Mary was sitting at the feet of Jesus. Jesus showed that He knew what both sisters were really feeling, and He knew what they both really needed. When kids think, No one understands what I'm really feeling, we get to teach them that God always knows what they're feeling. More than that, He knows exactly what they need.

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.

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Social Game Instruction Page including Roku Games, "Feelings Matching" printable (2 per group printed on cardstock and cutout)

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."

Social

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This!

Thanks, Super Crew and Bark!

(To preschoolers) In today's Bible story, Jesus knew how Mary and Martha were feeling. Jesus cared about Martha, and He cared about her feelings, but He wanted Martha to do the most important thing. Jesus wanted Martha to make the same good choice that Mary made. He wanted her to spend time listening to Him teach about God. Like our Super Clue, a stethoscope, can help us hear what is going on inside of us, God always knows what is happening inside of us. He can help us make the right choice and follow Him.

Let's take a moment to pray. When we pray, we talk and listen to God. Let's close our eyes so we can focus on talking to God and not get distracted by other things. Ready? Let's pray in 3-2-1.

God, thank You for knowing and caring about what is happening inside of us. Thank You for knowing our emotions and loving us no matter how we feel. Help us remember that You are always ready to help us make the right choice and pay attention to what is most important. Amen.

Can you say the Big Deal with me?

Guess Who! *(Put both hands up to the side and wiggle fingers.)*

God Knows Me *(Point to yourself.)*

and You! *(Point to someone.)*

Videos

Happy and Sad(20 minutes)

Preschoolers will create a “Happy and Sad” craft to remember “God knows my feelings.”

What You Need: “Happy and Sad” printable (1 per child printed on cardstock), Tape (1 per group), Craft sticks (1 per child), Markers or crayons (several), Glue sticks (1 per child)

Craft Instructions:

1. Before the session, print the “Happy and Sad” printable on cardstock, one per child.
2. Give each preschooler a craft stick, a printable, and some crayons.
3. Invite preschoolers to color the happy and sad faces.
4. Assist preschoolers in folding their printables in half and taping a craft stick to the bottom between the pages.
5. Give each preschooler a glue stick. Instruct them to glue the insides of their folded printables together.

What To Do: We are going to make a craft to help us remember that whether we are happy or sad, God knows our feelings, and He loves us so much. When we finish, the signs we make will look like this. *(Display a sample craft.)* You will each get a “Happy and Sad” printable and some crayons. You will color each emoji face. After you color the emoji faces and decorate your paper, we will help you fold it in half and tape your craft stick at the bottom in between the two ends of the paper. Then you will take your glue stick and glue the two pieces of your printable together around the craft stick.

Keep It Going: Once the craft is done, encourage preschoolers to flip to the happy side and say, “God knows when I am happy!” Then flip to the sad side of the craft and say, “God knows when I am sad!”

Loud And Clear: What great-looking crafts! I hope when you look at your craft, you can remember that God knows our feelings and loves us so much. God knows when I am happy and when I am sad. Let’s say that together. Show the happy side of your craft, and we will say, “God knows when I am happy,” together. Ready? “God knows when I am happy.” Great! Now hold up the sad side of your craft, and we will say, “God knows when I am sad,” together. Ready? “God knows when I am sad.” **God knows my feelings.** Let’s say that together. **“God knows my feelings.”** Great job!

Small Talks

Talk with preschoolers and review the Bible story by asking the following questions. This is a time for side-by-side learning, where all preschoolers have the opportunity to connect and participate.

1. Who remembers what our Super Clue is today? *(a stethoscope)*
2. What does a stethoscope help us remember? *(A stethoscope is used by a doctor to know and hear what is going on inside of us. God always knows what is going on inside of us. God knows our feelings even when we don't say anything or when we are not sure how we feel.)*
3. What was your favorite thing about Large Group today?
4. **God knows my feelings.** What do you do when you are upset? *(We can remember that God knows what's going on inside us, like how we are feeling. God loves us, knows how we are feeling, and can help us pay attention to Him and make a right choice. No matter what we are feeling, we can turn to God, and He will help us because He knows us and loves us.)*
5. What did you learn about God today?
6. Do you remember today's Big Deal? I'll say it first and you say it after me. *(Use motions below as you say the Big Deal.)* Ready? Guess Who! *(Guess Who!)* God Knows Me *(God Knows Me)* and You! *(and You!)*

Keep It Going: Invite preschoolers to repeat the Big Deal in a cheerful voice, a sad voice, or a scared voice. Remind them that our Big Deal is true regardless of what emotion they are feeling.

Big Deal Motions:

Guess Who! *(Put both hands up to the side and wiggle fingers.)*

God Knows Me *(Point to yourself.)*

and You! *(Point to someone.)*

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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.