



Sept 17

God Sees Me 1 year olds - 4 year olds

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: Jesus Saw Zacchaeus - Luke 19:1-10

Bottom Line: God knows me and calls me to love and follow Him.

Leader Context: God sees us. Jesus saw Zacchaeus way up in a tree and called him by name in Luke 19:1-10. Jesus sees each of us- and our kids- and calls us by name. For the kids who think they've been overlooked or forgotten, we get to tell them that God knows each of us. He sees us. He knows us by name, and He loves us. God has called each of us to follow Him. Just like Jesus called Zacchaeus, He has called us by name to follow Him.

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!

God knows you inside and out, doesn't He? That a Big Deal! And what did we learn today? God sees us anywhere and everywhere ! Isn't that great? God sees us, and He loves us. God loves us so much He sent His Son, Jesus so we can know Him. We can all know God. Let's thank God right now because He sees us.

Did you know that we can thank god by praying and talking to Him? Praying means talking and listening to God. Pray with me now.

"God, thank You that You know us inside and outm and that You see us anywhere and everywhere, even on the inside. In Jesus' name, Amen."

God Sees Me! (20 minutes)

What You Need: empty plastic water bottles (1 per kid), colored beads, rice, assorted buttons, funnels, buckets, duck tape, I Spy stickers (1 per kid)

What You Do:

- Today we are going to make an I Spy game that we can take home and play with our friends and family.
- We are going to take turns filling our bottles with rice. Have kids line up with their empty water bottle as you pour rice through a funnel over a bucket into their water bottles. Fill each bottle half full with rice.
- After you fill your bottle with rice, you are going to find the other leader and get supplies to add to your game. Each kid should get 8-10 different beads, buttons, small figures that will fit in the opening of their bottle. Have the other leader supervise at the table to insure these items only go in the bottle, not mouths. When they are finished adding their beads/buttons, screw the lid on tight and use duck tape to seal it.
- Allow kids to pick a sticker to put on their bottle and then sit with their bottle to see if they can find all the objects by shaking and moving rice around. When everyone is done, ask kids to switch bottles with a friend and see if they can find all of their items.

Say "As we searched for different beads, it may not have always been easy to spy them. But we can remember that God always sees us. He never has to search to find us! He always knows where we are, what we are feeling, and even what we need. God knows us inside and out and He loves us. Take your games home to play with your family. See who finds the smallest item and the biggest item. Tell them that God sees everything every where.

Say:

- Do you remember what was in our Super box today? (binoculars) How did that help us with our story today? (It helps us remember that God sees us.)
- What was your favorite part of the Bible story?
- In today's Bible story, Jesus saw Zacchaeus when he was in a tree. Name some different places that you go. Does Jesus see you when you are there?
- What is something you learned about God today?
- What can you tell your friends and families about this week?

Our Big Deal is, "God knows me inside and out!" Let's try together again with these hand motions.

God (point up)

Knows Me (Hands overlaid on chest)

Inside (Press on chest)

And Out (Hands out to shoulder level, palms facing up)

Point at each kid and say, "I see (NAME)! God knows (NAME)! God knows (NAME)

Inside and Out."

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.