

2-4 Year-Olds

APRIL_WEEK 1

Small Group Leader Guide

Preschool Timetable



10 Minutes

FREE PLAY

SOMETHING THEY CAN DO ON THEIR OWN! LIKE PUZZLES, TOYS, AND SO ON.

5 Minutes

PRAISE & WORSHIP

LET'S WORSHIP THE LORD WITH ALL OUR HEART!

5 Minutes

MOVE ACTIVITY

LET'S GET MOVING!

15 Minutes

BIBLE STORY

IT'S BIBLE STORY TIME--LET'S LISTEN TO THE TRUE STORY!

5 minutes

MEMORY VERSE

ALL TOGETHER NOW!

5 minutes

CREATE ACTIVITY

CRAFT TIME!

5 minutes

SNACK TIME

PLEASE SAY GRACE FOR THE SNACK AND CHECK ALLERGIES.

5 minutes

HOME TIME

PLEASE MAKE SURE KIDS TAKE THEIR CRAFT HOME.

THIS MONTH



Bible Story

Easter

Matthew 26:31-32,36,47-50; 27:1-2,11-66; 28:1-8

Story Focus

Jesus is alive.

Key Question

Who wants to be your friend forever?

Bottom Line

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Memory Verse

"I have called you friends." John 15:15 NIV

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MOVE ACTIVITY

Roll Away the Stone Relay



What You Need:

- Hula Hoop
- Painter's Tape

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Create a start and finish line in an open area of your room with tape.

During the Activity: Divide the children into two teams. Have the first child in each line roll the "stone" (ball or hula hoop) across the room to the finish line and then roll it back to the next person in their line. Continue until everyone has had a turn.

After the Activity: Introduce the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello, friends! I'm so happy you're here! Happy Easter! Come stand with me. We're going to play a game with this big, round stone! (Hold up ball or hoop.)"

During the Activity: "In our story today, we will hear about a big stone that was rolled in front of a tomb. Let's play a game and pretend to roll that stone! We'll make two teams. When I say, 'Go,' the first person in each line will roll the stone all the way to that wall and then roll it back to the next person. Ready, set, go! (Cheer for the children as they play.) You are doing a great job rolling that big stone! Way to go, teams!" (Repeat as desired.)

After the Activity: "That was so much fun! That big stone reminds me of our Bible story today. It's a special story that makes me want to shout, 'Hip, hip, hooray!' Let's go hear about the stone in our story."

Inclusive Pro Tips



Select moves that are suitable for everyone in the group. Movements can be done sitting if that is best for the group.

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Memory Verse with Motions

Faith Skills

Hear from God

Pray to God

Talk about God

Live for God

What You Need

No Supplies Needed

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Invite children to say it with you or repeat words after you.

Set out the picture cutouts made from the "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF for children to hold up or point to as an alternative to saying or repeating the verse out loud.

If using this version, adjust wording in What You Say section accordingly.

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MEMORY VERSE MOTIONS

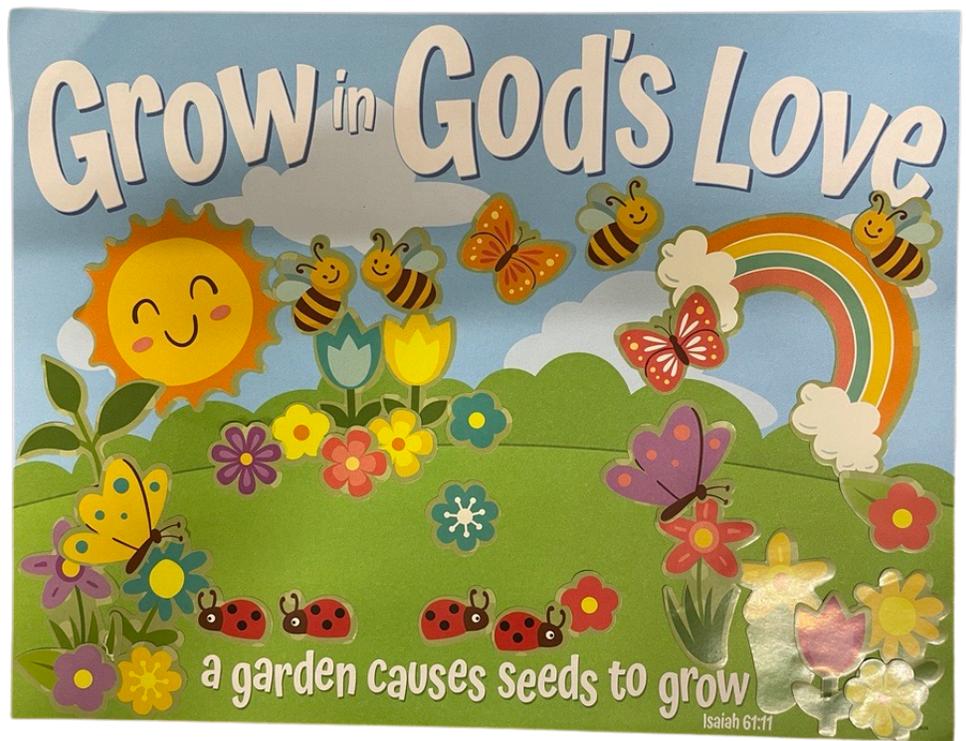
HIP HIP HOORAY

 "I	 have called you
 friends."	 John 15:15 NLT

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CREATE ACTIVITY

Easter Craft



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Provide adaptive crayons.

Prayer

Faith Skills

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What You Say

“Let’s pray. Dear God, thank You for all the things that make us say ‘Hooray!’—like snack time, playing outside, and spending time with our friends. But thank You most of all for the happiest and best news ever—that Jesus is alive! Because Jesus is alive, we can be His friends forever. That makes us want to shout, ‘Hip, hip, hooray!’ We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

He is Risen

