

2-4 Year-Olds

## APRIL\_WEEK 2

### 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

#### Breakfast on the Beach

John 21:1-14

### Story Focus

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

### 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

# Carry the Food



## What You Need:

- Two spatulas
- Foam cutouts like fish or bread

## What You Do:

Before the Activity: Create a start line and a finish line with the painter's tape on opposite sides of the room.

During the Activity: Divide children into two lines. Give the first child in each line a spatula with a beanbag "fish" on it. Explain that they need to walk carefully to the finish line and back without dropping the food. If they drop it, they pick it up and keep going. Then they hand the spatula to the next person in line.

After the Activity: Introduce the Bible Story.

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## What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello! I'm so glad you're here today. Come play a fun balancing game with me!"

During the Activity: "Today we're going to pretend we are carrying food to our friends! The first person in each line will get a spatula with some food on it. Your job is to walk all the way to the other line and back without letting it fall! Ready? Go! (Cheer for the children.) That's it, nice and steady! Great job! Now pass it to your friend."

After the Activity: "You all did such a great job carrying the food to your friends! Our Bible Story today is about a time Jesus made a special breakfast for His friends. Let's hear all about it!"

### 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.

# Memory Verse with Motions

## Faith Skills

Hear from God

Pray to God

Talk about God

Live for God

## What You Need

No Supplies Needed



### Inclusive Pro Tips

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

# Breakfast with Jesus Placemat

## What You Need:

- “Breakfast with Jesus Placemat” Activity Page
- Crayons or dot markers
- Stickers



## What You Do:

**Before the Activity:** Copy “Breakfast with Jesus Placemat” on 11-inch x 17-inch paper, one per child. Write each child’s name on their paper.

**During the Activity:** Give each child a placemat. Encourage them to color the page and the items on it. Talk about the story of Jesus making breakfast for His friends as they decorate.

**After the Activity:** Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

## What You Say:

**Before the Activity:** “Come and make a special placemat with me to help us remember today’s story!”

**During the Activity:** “Jesus made a yummy breakfast for His friends. Can you color the plate on your paper? (Pause.) What else do you see? (Pause for responses.) A cup? (Pause.) A fork? (Pause.) Let’s color everything! (Pause.) This placemat reminds us that Jesus loves His friends so much that He made breakfast on the beach for them. Jesus loves you so much and wants to be your friend forever!”

**After the Activity:** “Your placemats are beautiful! You can take them home to use for your breakfast. And every time you see it, you can remember that Jesus wants to be your friend forever. Who wants to be your friend forever? [Bottom Line] Jesus wants to be my friend forever.”

Inclusive Pro Tips



Provide adaptive crayons.

# Prayer

## Faith Skills

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## What You Say

“Dear God, thank You for giving us friends like (read each friend’s name on list) and thank You for the best friend, JESUS! We are so glad that Jesus wants to be our friend forever! We love You. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

# SAMPLE

