

Monthly Overview

* MONTHLY BIBLE STORY FOR TODDLERS

Week	Bible Story	Bible References	Story Focus
1	The Story of the Farmer*	Matthew 13:1-23	God's kingdom grows when you hear and do what He says.
2	The Parable of the Bags of Gold	Matthew 25:14-30	God's kingdom grows when you use what He's given you.
3	The Servant Who Had No Mercy	Matthew 18:21-35	God's kingdom grows when you forgive.
4	The Story of the Widow Who Would Not Give Up	Luke 18:1-8	God's kingdom grows when you pray and don't give up.

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Key Question

**Who teaches
you about God's
kingdom?**

Bottom Line*

**Jesus teaches
me about God's
kingdom.**

Basic Truth

**Jesus wants to
be my friend
forever.**

* FOR CRAWLERS AND TODDLERS → Say "you" instead of "me." It helps their comprehension!

**"Put God's kingdom first."
Matthew 6:33 NIrV**

Memory Verse Motions → find in the Prelude folder or on [Pinterest](#)

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Weekly Summaries

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1	The Story of the Farmer*	Jesus tells a story about a farmer who scatters seed. Some seed falls on a hard path, some on rocky ground, and some among thorns. None of those seeds grow and produce big, healthy crops. But some seed falls on good soil and grows into strong plants that make even more seed. Jesus is like the farmer who is planting seed, and He wants us to be like the good soil. He wants us to understand that He loves us and wants us to follow Him so we can be a part of God's kingdom. <u>Jesus teaches us about God's kingdom</u> , and when we do what Jesus says, God's kingdom grows.
2	The Parable of the Bags of Gold	Jesus tells a story about a rich man who is going away on a big trip. He wants his helpers to take care of his money, and he wants them to use that money to earn even more money. One helper is given five bags of gold, and he earns five more. The second helper is given two bags of gold, and he earns two more. The third helper is given one bag of gold, but he buries it and doesn't try to earn more money. When the rich man returns, he praises the first two helpers and rewards them, but he is not happy with the one who buried his gold. Jesus tells this story because He wants us to use what we have to help God's kingdom grow. We may not have bags of gold, but we are wonderfully made by God! There are many things we can do to show God's love to others and help God's kingdom grow. And if we ever need help knowing what to do, we can pray and ask Jesus to show us, because <u>Jesus teaches me about God's kingdom</u> .
3	The Servant Who Had No Mercy	Jesus tells a story about a king who wants to collect the money that some people owe him. One man owes the king a lot of money. He falls on his knees and begs the king for more time to pay him back. The king feels sorry for him, so he decides to be kind to the man and forgive the debt. But then that man finds a person who owes him a little bit of money. That person begs the man for more time to pay him back, but the man isn't as kind as the king. He has the person put in jail, even though it is only a little bit of money. When the king finds out what the forgiven man did, he is very upset and puts that man in jail. Jesus tells the story because he wants us to know that God is kind and forgiving. And when we forgive others, we show others how good God is, and we help God's kingdom grow.

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