



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 25, Session 1

Unit Title: Jesus' Early Ministry

Key Passage: John 3:16

Session Title: Jesus Met Nicodemus

Bible Passage: John 3:1-21

Big Picture Question: How do you know God loves you? God sent Jesus to save us.

Christ Connection: Jesus taught Nicodemus about God's kingdom. God loves the world, and He sent Jesus to earth to rescue people from sin. Jesus said that people who believe in Him will be with God forever.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity page: What Does Not Belong?
- Draw the night sky
- How do we love?
- Shake hands with a friend
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Who loves you?
- Big picture question hearts
- Play with baby dolls
- Call-and-response worship
- Ask questions

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 25, Session 2

Unit Title: Jesus' Early Ministry

Key Passage: John 3:16

Session Title: Jesus and John the Baptist

Bible Passage: John 3:22-36

Big Picture Question: Where did Jesus come from? Jesus came from heaven.

Christ Connection: God gave John the Baptist a special job. John told people, "Get ready for Jesus! Jesus is coming!" God sent Jesus to earth from heaven. When Jesus was older, He went out to teach people about God. Jesus was here, and John's job was finished.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity page: Compare Jesus and John
- Prepare for a visitor
- Here comes a friend
- Review John and Jesus
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

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- Follow-the-leader
- Make a two-sided puzzle
- Explore Jesus' early ministry
- Draw a picture of heaven
- Make craft stick puppets

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 25, Session 3

Unit Title: Jesus' Early Ministry

Key Passage: John 3:16

Session Title: Jesus Met a Samaritan Woman

Bible Passage: John 4:1-26

Big Picture Question: Whom does Jesus love? Jesus loves everyone.

Christ Connection: Jesus was different from other people on earth. He was kind to the woman at the well even though she didn't have many friends. Jesus loves everyone, and He came to give people a free gift: salvation from sin.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity page: Match the Water Jars
- Make the play dough wells
- How many cups?
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Work water puzzles
- Draw water from a well
- Talk about living water
- Color the people Jesus loves
- Worship the Messiah

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 25, Session 4

Unit Title: Jesus' Early Ministry

Key Passage: John 3:16

Session Title: Rejection at Nazareth

Bible Passage: Luke 4:16-30

Big Picture Question: What does the word gospel mean? Gospel means "good news."

Christ Connection: Long before Jesus was born, Isaiah the prophet talked about God's plan to send Jesus to earth. Jesus would bring good news and help people who were hurting. Jesus read Isaiah's words. Jesus said that He is the One God promised to send.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: Find the Scrolls
- Home drawings
- Examine the letter G
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Jump in, freeze!
- Make a scroll
- Talk about Jesus stories
- Telephone talk

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 26, Session 1

Unit Title: Jesus Performed Miracles

Key Passage: John 20:30-31

Session Title: Jesus Healed an Official's Son

Bible Passage: John 4:46-54

Big Picture Question: Who can heal sick people? Jesus can heal sick people.

Christ Connection: Jesus saved a boy from dying. Then the boy's father knew who Jesus is: the Savior God promised. Jesus said that the boy was healed, and the father believed Him. Jesus showed that He is powerful. Jesus is God's Son.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: Walk to Cana
- Build a hospital
- Play out a doctor's office
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Sing a review song
- Make a doctors bag
- Play "Have you ever...?"
- Spell JESUS

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 26, Session 2

Unit Title: Jesus Performed Miracles

Key Passage: John 20:30-31

Session Title: Jesus Drove Out Evil Spirits

Bible Passage: Mark 1:21-28; Luke 4:31-37

Big Picture Question: How could Jesus make evil spirits go away? Jesus is more powerful than all evil.

Christ Connection: Jesus made the evil spirit go away because He is more powerful than evil. One day, Jesus will come back and make all bad things go away forever.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: What Is More Powerful?
- Make powerful things with play dough
- Sort objects by size
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Play a quiet game
- Make artwork in the negative
- Play “Simon Says”
- Conduct the band
- Hop, hop, hop

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 26, Session 3

Unit Title: Jesus Performed Miracles

Key Passage: John 20:30-31

Session Title: Jesus Healed Peter's Mother-in-Law

Bible Passage: Matthew 8:14-17; Mark 1:29-31; Luke 4:38-39

Big Picture Question: How can we thank Jesus for His help? We can love Jesus and obey Him.

Christ Connection: Peter's mother-in-law showed she was thankful to Jesus by serving Him. When God created the world, He did not make sickness. Sickness came when sin entered the world, but Jesus came to take away sin. We can thank Jesus for saving us from sin. We can love Jesus and obey Him.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: Love and Obey Jesus
- Sort items the love or do not love
- Do the “Hokey Pokey”
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

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- Practice sign language
- Explore a sensory table
- Play out a restaurant
- Freeze tag
- Draw a picture

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 26, Session 4

Unit Title: Jesus Performed Miracles

Key Passage: John 20:30-31

Session Title: Jesus Cleansed a Leper

Bible Passage: Matthew 8:1-4; Mark 1:40-45; Luke 5:12-16

Big Picture Question: How did Jesus heal the man with leprosy? Jesus touched the man and healed him.

Christ Connection: The man with the skin disease had to stay away from his friends and family. Jesus helped the man. Jesus touched the man and healed him. Sin is like a disease that keeps us away from God, but Jesus will take away our sin if we ask Him.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: See and Touch
- Play “Sick, sick, healed”
- Sad-faced stick puppets
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Happy-faced stick puppets
- Play a touch-and-guess game
- Play healing tag
- Draw the story
- Match spots

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 26, Session 5

Unit Title: Jesus Performed Miracles

Key Passage: John 20:30-31

Session Title: Four Friends Helped

Bible Passage: Matthew 9:1-8; Mark 2:1-12; Luke 5:17-26

Big Picture Question: How did Jesus help the man who could not walk? Jesus healed the man and forgave his sins.

Christ Connection: The man who was paralyzed needed help. He needed to be healed. First, Jesus forgave the man's sins. Jesus showed that He can forgive sins because He is God. Then Jesus healed the man so he could walk. Jesus has the power to heal and to forgive sins.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: Find Four Friends
- Sing a praise song
- Make a footprint mural
- Transition to Bible Study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Play “London Bridge”
- Dig for the big picture question
- Make fabric collage mats
- Work puzzles of Jesus
- Build a house

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 26, Session 6

Unit Title: Jesus Performed Miracles

Key Passage: John 20:30-31

Session Title: Jesus Healed a Man's Hand

Bible Passage: Matthew 12:9-14; Mark 3:1-6; Luke 6:6-11

Big Picture Question: What is the Sabbath? The Sabbath is a day to rest.

Christ Connection: Jesus healed a man's hand on the Sabbath even though the religious leaders thought He shouldn't. Jesus showed that God gives us rules to help us, not to hurt us. The religious leaders made a plan to kill Jesus, but God planned to use Jesus' death to help people by saving them from their sin.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: Loving Hands
- Work with one hand
- Sing a worship song
- Practice clapping the days of the week
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Work day, Sabbath Day
- Make a handprint
- Decorate a calendar
- Mix and match gloves
- Wrap a bandage

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 27, Session 1

Unit Title: Jesus Preached

Key Passage: Matthew 6:33

Session Title: The Sermon on the Mount

Bible Passage: Matthew 5—7

Big Picture Question: Who can keep all of God's laws? Only Jesus obeyed God perfectly.

Christ Connection: The religious leaders looked like good people, but Jesus knew what they were thinking. They were not doing good things for the right reasons. Jesus taught about doing right things for the right reasons. God changes people who know and love Jesus so they want to honor Him and do what is right.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: Climb the Mountain
- Talk about outdoor stories
- Makes no sense!
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

Tip: Do activities one of these ways: as a group, all at the same time; in small groups that rotate through each activity; or set up as centers, allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

- Follow the leader
- Make a nature collage
- Build a mountain
- Take a nature walk
- Mountain echo

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 27, Session 2

Unit Title: Jesus Preached

Key Passage: Matthew 6:33

Session Title: Parable of the Sower

Bible Passage: Matthew 13:1-23; Mark 4:1-20; Luke 8:4-15

Big Picture Question: What can you do when you hear the truth about Jesus? I can believe the truth about Jesus.

Christ Connection: Not everyone who hears the truth about Jesus believes in Him. Some people don't understand Jesus or they think they are happy without Him. People who hear the gospel—the good news about Jesus—and believe in Him will be blessed.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: What Happens First?
- Sort seed
- Make seed shakers
- Talk about farming crops
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible Story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

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- Sing a big picture question song
- Four soils obstacle course
- Plant seed
- Sequence and count seed
- Four soils scatter

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page



Preschool Bible Study Overview

Unit 27, Session 3

Unit Title: Jesus Preached

Key Passage: Matthew 6:33

Session Title: Jesus Met Nicodemus

Bible Passage: Luke 15

Big Picture Question: What makes God happy? God is happy when we turn away from sin and love Jesus.

Christ Connection: Jesus told stories about people who were looking for things that were lost. Jesus told these stories to teach about Himself. Jesus looks for people who are lost, people who do not know Him. Jesus gave His life to save people from sin.

Small Group Opening (15–20 minutes)

Welcome and Session Starter (Choose one or more of these activities from the Preschool Bible Study Leader Guide.)

- Activity Page: Find the Missing Coin
- Search for lost items
- Find the coin
- Do a happy dance
- Transition to Bible study

Large Group Bible Study (10–15 minutes)

- Introduce the Bible story
- Watch or Tell the Bible story
- Talk about the Bible story
- Transition to small groups

Small Group Activities (20–25 minutes)

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- Musical freeze dance
- Make cotton ball “sheep”
- What makes God happy?
- Make a shepherd’s crook
- Weigh coins

Snack and Transition to Parents or Preschool Worship (20 minutes)

- Play, work puzzles, color the Bible story coloring page
- Journal page