

Bible Story

Greatest Verse Ever (John 3:16)

Remember This

"I trust in God. I am not afraid." Psalm 56:11, NIrV

Say This

Who can trust God?
I can trust God.

Have fun learning and playing with your preschooler!



Activity

Drawing Hearts

What You Need

Paper, markers, crayons

What You Do

Draw different sized hearts using various colors of markers on several sheets of paper. Encourage your child to find the matching color of crayon and color in the hearts.

Say, "Hearts remind me of LOVE! We have lots of hearts on our paper today. Which colors do you see? (*Pause.*) Let's find the matching crayons and color in the hearts. Which one is the [blue] heart? Find the blue crayon. Do you see a [red] heart? Where is the red crayon?

"Great job! All of our hearts are full! Hearts remind me of love, and today we heard a Bible story about how much God loves us! God loves each and every one of us so very much that He gave us the most special gift He could ever give. God gave us His Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever! We can trust God because He gave us the best gift, Jesus, to be our friend forever. Who can you trust? I can trust God."

Prayer

Dear God, thank You for loving us SO much that You gave us Your Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever. We know we can trust You because You have shown us how much You love us. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.



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Jericho (Joshua 5:13–6:27)

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Follow the Plan

What You Need

Multiples of several small items in your home (cars, blocks, spoons, balls, etc.)

What You Do

Create different patterns with small items and encourage your child to copy them.

Say "Do you see the pattern I put here. It is [car], [block], [car], [block]. Can you follow the plan and make the same pattern? Great job. Let's try another one! How about [spoon], [car], [ball], [spoon], [car]. What should I put after the [car]? Yes! We need another [ball] to follow the plan! Hmm, let's try another one.

Continue creating patterns using two to three items (depending on age of child) as long as there is interest.

"You did an awesome job of following the plan! In our Bible story today, we heard about a man named Joshua that followed God's plan. God told Joshua to march around Jericho six days in row. On the seventh day, God told Joshua to march around the wall seven times, play trumpets, and yell. They did, and the wall of Jericho came crumbling down! Sometimes, we won't understand God's plan, but we can always trust in God. Who can you trust? I can trust God."



Prayer

Dear God, help us trust You, even when we don't understand. Help us trust You and do what You say, just like Joshua did. You are SO worthy of our trust because You love us SO much! We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.

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Gideon (Judges 6–8)

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Activity

I Can Trust God

What You Need

No supplies needed.

What You Do

Encourage your child to quietly sneak around your home holding a pretend torch as they follow you. Every once in a while, pop up and pretend to blow your trumpet and say, "I can trust God!"

What You Say:

Say, "God told Gideon to take his small army to battle the big Midianite army. Gideon trusted God's plan and told each soldier to take a trumpet, a torch, and a jar with them. They snuck into the Midianite camp and when Gideon told them to, they blew their trumpets, broke their jars, and yelled 'For the Lord, and for Gideon!' The Midianites ran away, and God's army won!

"Let's pretend to be Gideon's small army. Hold up your pretend torch like this. (*Demonstrate.*) Now, let's sneak over here. Oh, I see the Midianites. Let's blow our trumpets and shout, 'I can trust God!' (*Blow trumpets and shout.*) They ran away. Let's see if we can find them over here. (*Sneak to another part of the home.*) Here they are! Blow your trumpets and shout! I can trust God!

Continue sneaking and saying "I can trust God" as long as there is interest.

"Great job! You are never too small to trust God. You can trust God, and I can trust God. Who can you trust? I can trust God."



Prayer

Dear God, we can trust You. It doesn't matter if we're big or small, we can always trust You. Please help us trust You when we have doubts. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.

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Elijah and the Fire (1 Kings 18)

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Activity

What Can You Do?

What You Need

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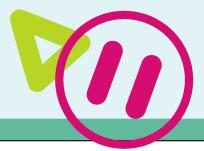
What You Do

Ask your child to do different movements in different quantities to see what they can do: five bunny hops, four jumping jacks, two spins, three twists, and one frog leap.

Say, "I want to see some of the awesome things that you can do! I will call out something cool for you to do, and you try to do it! I am so excited to see what you can do! First, can you do five bunny hops? (Do activity.) Very cool! You are amazing! Now, try four jumping jacks! (Continue with various movements. Repeat as long as there is interest.)

"Wow! You can do some pretty awesome things! We heard about somebody who did an amazing thing in our Bible story today. Who was it? Yes, God! God lit Elijah's altar on fire even though it was wet, and then everyone knew that God is the one true God!

"God is so powerful! God can do anything. When we remember that God can do anything, it helps us trust God. I can trust God, and you can trust God. Who can you trust? I can trust God."



Prayer

Dear God, You are the one true God, and there is no one else like You. You are powerful and loving and always with us. Thank You for being so awesome! I hope we never, ever, EVER stop trusting You. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.