



Have you ever been somewhere where it was so dark you couldn't even see your hand in front of your face? No light shining under the door. No stars in the sky. No screen glaring back at you. Just darkness. So much darkness that you have to shuffle slowly, stumbling your way across the room with arms stretched out, hoping, searching . . . and then finally, with the flip of a switch, LIGHT! Light changes everything.

This month, we're talking about light, but not just any light. We're talking about Jesus—the light of the WORLD—and how when we do what Jesus says, we shine. We shine the light of Jesus! After this month, we hope every time you and your preschoolers see a lamp or a star-filled sky, you remember that people were made to shine, and we have Jesus—the light of the world—to show us how. So let's not hide our light. Let's SHINE and light up the dark so others can see their way to Jesus.

MEMORY VERSE

Let your light shine.
Matthew 5:15

Bottom Line

I can do what Jesus says.

SHINE!

Week 1

Light of the World

Matthew 5:1-2, 14-16

Jesus wants to be friends with everyone, everywhere.

Week 2

The Great Commission

Matthew 28:18-20

Jesus says to tell others about him.

Week 3

The Early Church

Acts 2:42-47, John 15:12,
Hebrews 10:24

Jesus says to love like Him.

Week 4

Shine Like the Stars

Philippians 2: 14-16

I shine when I do what Jesus says!

Shine!

Preschool
Week 3

WEEKLY OVERVIEW

Jesus says to love like Him. Jesus tells his friends to love people the way He loves them. So the early church did what Jesus says and loved like Jesus! If someone needed a coat, a person would share their coat. If someone needed a place to stay, a person would share their home. If someone needed food, a person would share their food. The early church ate and talked and prayed together. They loved each other because Jesus loved them. Just like the early church, we can do what Jesus says and love like Jesus.

MEMORY VERSE

Let your light shine.
Matthew 5:16

Bottom Line

I can do what Jesus says.

BIBLE TRUTH

The Early Church
Acts 2:42-47, John 15:12, Hebrews 10:34

NOTES

- All **yellow highlighted text** are cues for audio and visual slides.
- You will do rules, worship and the Bible verse from the stage, and the Bible story will be on video.

Preschool Teaching Outline: Week 3

Start at 25 after

21. INTRO: Welcome kids, get them excited
22. Room Rules
23. Worship
24. Friend Around the World : One Child
25. Intro: 1-2 minutes
 - a. Shine
26. Bible Lesson Video: The Early Church
27. Application
 - a. I can do what Jesus says.
 - b. "Let your light shine." Matthew 5:16
28. Prayer
29. Big Group Game:

LESSON TOTAL: 25 MINUTES

30. Small Groups: 15 minutes

End on the hour

WELCOME

Welcome boys and girls. I'm so glad you're here! Before we get started with today's lesson, let's review our room rules so that we can have a fun day!

RULES

Show Graphic: Preschool Rules

Let's put on our moose antlers and call our friend Dan-o to help us. (Thumbs on either side of your head with fingers splayed.) Daaaaaan-ooooo! (Have kids participate as you do motions.)

- The first rule is: be a friend! (Give yourself a hug as you say the rule.)
- Rule number two is: be safe! (Do baseball gesture for safe.)
- The next rule is: be a good listener! (Cup your ears.)
- Rule number four is: take care of the room and the toys! (Shake your finger while you say the rule.)
- The last rule is: join in! (Spread your arms wide and bring them in.) Let's all join in right now and stand up for worship.

WORSHIP

Ok, let's all join in right now and stand up for worship. Let's do our best singing so we can let God know how much we love Him!

Show Worship: I Like To

Show Worship: Let Your Light Shine

FRIENDS AROUND THE WORLD

Show Graphic: Friends Around the World- One Child

We have friends here in the room, friends in our schools, friends in our neighborhoods, but did you know that we have friends all over the world? Here at Flatirons, we do this really cool thing called Friends Around the World. Every month we learn more about our friends in different places so we can pray for them and give our money to help them with the things they need. Those are both ways to show we love them!

This month, we're learning about our friends at One Child. One Child asked if we could raise money to help the boys and girls buy school supplies and pay to put windows in their classroom. When you bring in money to give to our Friends Around the World, you're helping kids on the other side of the world be able to go to school and have school supplies.

If you brought money this week, bring it up now and put it in our Friends Around the World container. (Collect offering.)

Show Song: Friends Around the World- One Child

Thank you so much for taking care of our friends!

Show Graphic: Friends Around the World- One Child

Another way we can help our friends is by praying for them. Let's pray! Dear God, thank you for our friends around the world. Please take really good care of our friends at One Child. Help them have all they need. Amen!

INTRO

Show Series Graphic: Shine

We are learning that we can do what Jesus says. **I can do what Jesus says!** Say it with me—**I can do what Jesus says!** Today’s true story from the Bible begins with Jesus and some of the people who followed Him. One day, Jesus told the people to love others the way HE loves them. And Ollie and our friends at the Clubhouse are ready to teach us how to love like Jesus.

BIBLE TRUTH

Show Video: Video_WK3_SHINE

What a great story! When we do what Jesus says, and love like Jesus, we shine our light for everyone to see that Jesus loves them too! Wow! That’s amazing! I can do what Jesus says. Let me hear you say it! **I can do what Jesus says**

APPLICATION

Show Series Graphic: SHINE

Bible Verse

(Open Bible.) Look, there is even a Bible verse to remind us!

Show Verse: “Let your light Shine.” Matthew 5:16

Let’s all stand up and say that with motions. Follow me.

**“Let your (point forward with both index fingers)
light (raise both hands and twinkle fingers)
shine” (twinkling fingers moving out)
Matthew 5:16 (Open hands like a book)**

(Practice verse a couple of times using whisper voices, silly voices, loud voices, slow, fast, then have kids sit back down, get quiet, fold hands, and close their eyes.)

Great job, everybody! Let’s pray.

PRAYER

Dear God, we want to do what Jesus says and love people the way Jesus loves us. Help us to be kind and share with others, so we can shine and show the world that Jesus loves them. Thank You, God. We love You! In Jesus’ name. Amen.”

BIG GROUP GAME

We want to shine our lights and show the world that Jesus loves them. We can do what Jesus says! Let’s sing and dance to this song to help us remember shine like Jesus!

Show Worship: Gonna Walk

CIRCLE TIME

Great job! Now it’s Circle Time! When you hear the music walk slowly to a circle and sit right down.

Show Countdown: Small Group

Show Countdown: 10 minutes