

## **PRESCHOOL**

OCTOBER 2024

## MONTHLY OVERVIEW

If you've ever been near a playground when an airplane flies by, you know the sound of the airplane is quickly followed by the sound of kids shouting with excitement! Their innate sense of wonder is immediately turned up as they ask questions like: Where do you think that plane is going? How big is that plane? How can it fly so high in the sky?

Today, our preschoolers will go to places like school, daycare, church, and grandparents' houses. We know God has plans for each of them, and as they grow, they will go to even more places that might be even further away. We want to make sure that wherever they go, they can look to God with a trusting heart and say, "Let's fly!" because they know God is always with me.

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BIBLE STORY Daniel and the Lions Daniel 6:1-23 STORY FOCUS
God is always with me.

# TWO

BIBLE STORY Hagar and Ishmael Genesis 21:14-20 STORY FOCUS
God always hears me.

## THREE

Joseph\* Genesis 37, 39-47 STORY FOCUS
God has plans for me.

# FOUR

Jonah Jonah 1-3:3 STORY FOCUS
God is with me wherever I go.

\*Monthly Story for Toddler Curriculum

MEMORY VERSE	KEY QUESTION	BOTTOM LINE	
"GOD IS WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO." JOSHUA 1:9, NLT	WHO IS ALWAYS WITH YOU?	GOD IS ALWAYS WITH ME.	
GOD LOVES ME.			



## **Preschool-Large Group**

October 2024 Week 4

#### **STORY FOCUS:**

God is with me wherever I go. God told Jonah to go to the city of Nineveh to tell the people who lived there to do what God says and to love one another. But Jonah did not want to go to Nineveh. So, Jonah went the other way and got on a boat! While Jonah was on the boat, there was a big storm! He knew that if he got off of the boat, the storm would stop. While Jonah was in the water, God sent a big fish to swallow Jonah and keep him safe. Jonah was in the fish for three days and three nights. While Jonah was inside of the fish, he prayed to God, and God made the fish spit Jonah out onto dry land. Once again, God told Jonah to go to Nineveh. This time, Jonah did what God said and he went to Nineveh. God loved Jonah and was always with him- in the boat, in the fish, and when he went to Nineveh.

#### **MEMORY VERSE**

"God is with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9

#### **BOTTOM LINE**

God is always with me

#### **BIBLE TRUTH**

Jonah Jonah 1-3:3

#### **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 4**

- 1. INTRO: Welcome kids, get them excited
- 2. Room Rules
- 3. Worship
- 4. Friends Around the World: Life in Abundance (LIA)
- 5. Intro: 1-2 minutes
  - a. Let's Fly
- 6. Bible Lesson Video: Jonah
- 7. Application
  - a. God is always with me.
  - b. "God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9 NIrV
- 8. Prayer
- 9. Big Group Game: Where's Jonah
- 10. Small Groups

LESSON TOTAL: 25 MINUTES Small Groups: 10-15 minutes



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#### WELCOME

Welcome boys and girls! I'm so glad you're here today! 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) Oh Daaaaaan-oooooo! Can you all help me act out our room rules?!

- 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)

#### **WORSHIP**

Great work friends! 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: King of Me

#### Show Worship: Praise the Lord

Thanks for worshipping with me today! Now it's time to turn around, sit down, and shake the wiggles out (wiggle hands) so we can hear (cup hands behind ears) all about our Friends around the World!

#### FRIENDS AROUND THE WORLD

### Show Graphic: Friends Around the World - LIA

Here in Flatirons Kids Ministry, we do this really cool thing called Friends Around the World. Every month we help one of our friends with a special project in their community. This month, we're partnering with our friends at **Life in Abundance**, **or LIA**. Does anyone know where our friends at Life in Abundance live? That's right, **South Sudan!** That's a country in Africa.

#### Show Graphic: LIA—Meal Pack Save the Date

This month, we'll have the chance to pack ONE MILLION MEALS to send to our friends at LIA! You get to be a part of this project! At the end of October, our entire church will come together to pack food that will be sent to our friends in communities in South Sudan that don't have much access to food. Our friends in South Sudan will have a chance to receive healthy meals that will help them to learn and grow! Your money this month will help our friends prepare and ship food to them! Let's check out this video!

### **Show Video: Friends Around the World LIA**

If you brought in money this week, go ahead and bring it up now to put it in our offering container!

#### **Show Song: Friends Around the World LIA**

Thank you so much for taking care of our friends! Life in Abundance asked us to pray for South Sudan. Praying is a great way to show others we love them. I challenge you this week to take time to pray with your families for South Sudan.

#### **INTRO**

#### Show Series Graphic: Let's Fly

I'm SOOOO glad to see you today! We've learned something BIG this month! God loves us and because he loves us, God is always with us! Today's Bible story begins with a man named Jonah! Let's visit Ollie and our friends in the clubhouse!

#### **BIBLE TRUTH**

Show Video: Video WK4 First Look Bible Story

#### **APPLICATION**

### Show Series Graphic: Let's Fly

God loved Jonah and was always with him—in the boat, in the fish, and when he went to Nineveh. God loves us, and God is always with us too!

#### **Bible Verse**

(Open Bible) In the Bible, we read about how much Jesus loves us, just like in our memory verse for this month!

#### **Show Verse: Joshua 1:9**

Let's read our memory verse Joshua 1:9 together now. Watch me say it with the motions; then you can do it with me! Ready? Stand up and follow me!

"God (Flat hand with thumb to forehead, pull down)

Is with you (Bring two fists together)

Wherever you go." (March in place)

Joshua 1:9 (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, thank You for being with Jonah and thank You for being with us. Thank you for loving us so much that You are with us wherever we go. In Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **BIG GROUP GAME**

God was with Jonah! I'm so glad he got out of the fish and obeyed God! To help us remember Jonah's story we're going to play a game.

Jonah is going to hide in one of three big fish on the screen. Then, the fish will switch places a bunch of times. When they stop, shout out what fish you think Jonah is hiding in! Then, we'll get to see if your guesses are correct. Let's try it!

Show Video: #1 Where's Jonah?

Good guessing! Let's play a few more times.

Show Video: #2 Where's Jonah?

Show Video: #3 Where's Jonah?

## **SMALL GROUP TIME**

That was so fun! Now it's time for more Bible fun! Let's use our walking feet to find our small groups!

**Show Graphic: Small Group**