

MONTHLY OVERVIEW

DECEMBER 2024

Show and Tell is always a favorite. Children have so much fun looking for the most special thing they can find to show their friends, and what each child shares helps teachers and friends get to know them a little bit better by seeing what is most valuable to them.

This month, we're taking a look at the ultimate Show and Tell. God showed the world how much He loves us by giving us Jesus. That is what we celebrate at Christmas, and that is what we will continue to show the world through our actions and tell with our words.

WEEK ONE	BIBLE STORY The Angel and Mary Luke 1:26-33, 38	STORY FOCUS God sends an angel to tell Mary she is going to have His son, Jesus.
жеек ТWO	BIBLE STORY Jesus Is Born Luke 2:1-7	STORY FOCUS Jesus is born to show the world that God loves us.
THREE	BIBLE STORY The Shepherds Luke 2:8-20	STORY FOCUS The shepherds run to see Jesus and then run to tell everyone about Jesus.
FOUR	BIBLE STORY Happy Birthday, Jesus!* Luke 1:26-33, 38; 2:1-20	STORY FOCUS We celebrate Christmas to show everyone that Jesus is special.

MEMORY VERSE	KEY QUESTION	BOTTOM LINE		
"GOD HAS GIVEN A SON TO US." ISAIAH 9:6, NCV	WHY IS JESUS SPECIAL?	JESUS IS GOD'S SON.		
GOD LOVES ME.				
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Preschool Large Group December 2024 Week 3

STORY FOCUS:

The shepherds run to see Jesus and then run to tell everyone about Jesus.

On the night Jesus is born, there are shepherds in a field taking care of their sheep. While the shepherds are watching their sheep, an angel appears. The angel tells the shepherds that Jesus, God's Son, has been born, and then, the whole sky fills with angels praising God. The shepherds are so excited they run to see baby Jesus. Then, the shepherds run to tell everyone that Jesus, God's Son, is born.

MEMORY VERSE

"God has given a son to us." Isaiah 9:6

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus is God's son.

BIBLE TRUTH

The Shepherds Luke 2:8-20

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

- 1. INTRO: Welcome kids, get them excited
- 2. Room Rules
- 3. Worship
- 4. Friends Around the World: Uncharted
- 5. Intro: 1-2 minutes
 - a. Show & Tell
- 6. Bible Lesson Video: The Shepherds
- 7. Application
 - a. Jesus is God's son.
 - b. "God has given a son to us." Isaiah 9:6
- 8. Prayer
- 9. Big Group Game: Shepherds and Angels
- 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! 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 Daaaaaannnn-oooooo! Can you all help me act out our room rules?! (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! (Wag your finger while you say the rule.)
- The last rule is: join in! (Spread your arms wide and bring them in.)

WORSHIP

Ok, let's all join in 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: Away in a Manger

Show Worship: Here is our King

Great job, friends! 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 – Uncharted

Here in Kids Ministry, we do this 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 called Uncharted International!

Uncharted supports brave men and women in several places around the world who are building churches and teaching about Jesus! They help people learn about how awesome God is, and they usually work in communities where it's dangerous to follow God. This month, we're going to support them in their work! Check out this video!

Show Video: Friends Around the World – Uncharted

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

Show Song: Friends Around the World – Uncharted

Thank you so much for taking care of our friends! Praying is a great way to show others we love them! Let's pray for our friends at Uncharted and I challenge you this week to take time to keep praying for our friends at Uncharted!

"Dear God, thank you for our friends around the world. Please take extra good care of our friends at Uncharted this month as they tell others about Jesus. Amen!"

INTRO

Show Series Graphic: Show & Tell

I'm so happy to celebrate something REALLY big with you. Can you tell me what we're celebrating all month long? (Pause.) Christmas! At Christmas, we celebrate Jesus' birthday because Jesus is SO special. Why? Because **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is God's Son!

I can't wait to share a true story from the Bible with you

(Open the Bible for children to see, then set it down.)

Today's true story from the Bible is about the night Jesus was born, and it has some fluffy white animals that say, 'Baa-baa!' What animal is that? Yes, sheep! Let's visit our friends at the Clubhouse to hear all about it!

APPLICATION

Show Series Graphic: Show & Tell

The shepherds told everyone about Jesus, and we can tell people about Jesus too! We can tell everyone that Jesus is special because **[Bottom Line]** Jesus is God's Son! Why is Jesus special?

(CHILDREN and LEADERS) [Bottom Line] Jesus is God's son!

Bible Verse

Show Verse: Isaiah 9:6

(Open Bible.) The Bible teaches us in Isaiah 9:6 that [Memory Verse] God has given a son to us.

Let's learn our **Memory Verse** together. Are you ready? Watch me say it and do the motions, and then you can do it with me!

"God (flat hand with thumb to forehead, pull down.)
has given (pretend to give a gift.)
a son (rock a baby.)
to us." (point to self twice.)
Isaiah 9:6 (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! Now, let's take a seat, bow our heads, and close our eyes so that we can pray. (Have kids sit back down, get quiet, fold hands, and close their eyes.)

PRAYER

Dear God, thank You so much for a place where we can hear the true story of Christmas. Please help us tell everyone that Jesus is special because Jesus is Your Son. We love You, God! In Jesus' name. Amen.

BIG GROUP GAME

Let's pretend like we are the shepherds on the night Jesus was born. First, let's lie on the floor asleep. Then, when we hear the angels come, let's stand up and pretend to fly like we're angels. Got it? Let's begin! Show Video: Shepherds Angels Loop

(Repeat as time and engagement allows.)

SMALL GROUP TIME

Great job! Now it's time for more Bible fun. There's always more to learn! Let's use our walking feet and find our small groups!

Show Graphic: Small Group