



WEEK THREE – NOVEMBER 2025 – TODDLERS

Bible Story: *Elisha's Room* | 2 Kings 4:8-17

Key Question: *Who can thank God for everything?*

Bottom Line: *I can thank God for everything*

Memory Verse: *"I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart." – Psalm 111:1 ESV*

Basic Truth: *God loves me.*

Series Overview: Have you ever noticed that being thankful is something we have to practice? But complaining about what we have and don't have, well, that just seems to come naturally. It's true for all of us, which is why we are taking our preschoolers on a picnic this month! We want to help our preschoolers see that the whole world is like a gigantic picnic filled with countless things we can thank God for, because we can thank God for EVERYTHING! Imagine if our preschoolers began seeing everything around them as an opportunity to thank God— people, Creation, food, toys, home, help—all of it! They can thank God for ever ything with their whole heart! And so can we.

LARGE GROUP

STORY TIME

Gather children at the tables to tell the story. Some children (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

What You Need: Bible; Butcher paper; markers

What You Say:

“Hello, friends! I’m so glad to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today’s true story from the Bible (*hold up the Bible*) begins with a man named Elisha. (*Draw a stick figure Elisha.*) Elisha loved God (*draw a big red heart on Elisha*) and traveled all over, telling people about God. (*Draw lots of stick figures around Elisha.*)

“In one town, (*draw several simple house/rectangle shapes*) there was a woman and her husband (*draw a stick figure woman and man next to one of the houses*) who wanted to help Elisha, (*draw Elisha next to the man and woman*) so she and her husband would have him come to their house to eat. (*Draw a simple table in front of them and add some simple food shapes.*) But they wanted to do more to help Elisha, so they built a room for him on top of their house. (*Draw a simple square/rectangle on their house.*) They gave him a chair (*draw a chair*), a table (*draw a table*), a lamp (*draw a lamp*), and a bed (*draw a bed*). Elisha was so thankful that God gave him people to help him. God gives you people to help you, too! You can thank God for the people who help you because **[Bottom Line] You can thank God for everything.**”

SMALL GROUP

CRAFT TIME

What You Need: “Room for Thanks” Activity Page; self-inking heart stamps; baby wipes; permanent marker

What You Do:

- Write each child’s name on their paper.
- Look at the picture together and point out the different items in the room.
- Encourage children to add a heart stamp on each picture in the room.
- Clean hands as needed.

What You Say:

“Look! It’s Elisha’s room! Let’s look at all the things in his room. The woman put things in Elisha’s room that she thought he would need, like a chair to sit in. *(Point.)* Put a heart stamp on the chair. *(Pause.)* The woman also wanted Elisha to have a table *(point)* in his room so he could write there. Put a heart stamp on the table. *(Pause.)* She also wanted to give Elisha a lamp *(point)* in his room so he could see in the dark. Put a heart stamp on the lamp. *(Pause.)* The woman also put a bed *(point)* in the room so he could sleep. Put a heart stamp on the bed. *(Pause.)* So, whenever Elisha needed a place to rest, he would come to the room at their house. Elisha thanked God for the people who helped him. You can thank God for the people who help you, too. ***[Bottom Line]* You can thank God for everything.**”