



## WEEK FOUR – FEBRUARY 2026 – PRESCHOOL

**Bible Story:** *Jesus Forgives a Woman* | John 8

**Key Question:** *Who loves you?*

**Bottom Line:** *Jesus loves me.*

**Memory Verse:** *Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me.'* (Matthew 19:14 NLT)

**Series Overview:** There's nothing sweeter than knowing that Jesus loves you. It's the sweetest treat we could ever receive, and it's for every single one of us! His love brings joy to our hearts, peace to our minds, and reminds us that we are never alone. So all month long, we are telling preschoolers Bible stories that show them how much Jesus loves them. In Matthew 19:14, Jesus said: "Let the children come to me" (NLT). These words remind us that Jesus wants to be close to every child, no matter who they are or where they live. Our prayer is that every preschooler will know deep in their heart that Jesus loves me. From welcoming children into His arms, to searching for the lost, to spending time with friends, and forgiving those who have done wrong—Jesus shows us again and again that He loves us. And preschoolers need to know that Jesus loves them right now, just as they are, and that His love will never go away. So, let's pray for our preschoolers, that they

will know Jesus' love is the sweetest thing in the world and that it will be with them forever. Let's help them grow up always remembering: Jesus loves me.

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**9:05 - 9:20 | 11:05 – 11:20 | EARLY ARRIVERS ACTIVITY**

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## **OPENING ACTIVITY**

**What You Need:** N/A

### **What You Do:**

- Gather kids and sit in a circle
- Play a game similar to Duck, Duck, Goose.
- Show them you will walk around on the outside of the circle and say,
  - “The Bible teaches (touch a child’s head), The Bible teaches (touch a child’s head), The Bible teaches [child’s name] (touch child’s head) the best things!”
- You and the child’s name you said will hold hands and run around the outside of the circle until they are back at their spot.
- Continue until everyone has had a chance to run around the circle and had their name called.

### **What You Say:**

#### *BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:*

- “Friends, come sit in a circle on the floor with me. I have a game for us to play. I’m going to walk around and tap you on your head and say, ‘The Bible teaches, the Bible teaches, the Bible teaches...’ and if I touch your head and say your name, I want you to stand up. Then you and I will hold hands and run around the circle together until we get back to your spot! Isn’t that going to be fun! Here we go! When I say your name, stand up and hold my hand. Let’s run around the circle together. Ready let’s play!”

#### *AFTER THE ACTIVITY:*

- “That was so much fun, I loved getting to play that game with you. Today, in our Bible Story, we’ll hear all about ways we can live for God.”

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**9:20 - 9:50 | 11:20 – 11:50 – LARGE GROUP**

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**Story Focus:** Jesus is teaching when a group of people brings Him a woman who was caught doing something wrong. The people want to know if Jesus will keep God’s rules or show God’s love. Jesus tells them that anyone without sin can punish the woman, and one by one, they all leave. Jesus tells the woman to do what God wants her to do, but He does not punish her. Jesus shows us that God sent Him to love and forgive us, because Jesus loves us no matter what!

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**9:50 – 10:10 | 11:50 – 12:10 – SMALL GROUP**

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**FOLLOW THE ARROWS**

[Hear from God | Memory Verse Review]

**What You Need:** “Follow the Arrows” Activity Page; Painter’s Tape

**What You Do:**

- *BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:*
  - Copy “Follow the Arrows” on cardstock, ten per Small Group. Arrange on the floor in different directions and tape to secure. Do the motions as you say the Memory Verse together.
- *DURING THE ACTIVITY:*

- Encourage children to jump facing the direction of the arrows and at the end of the arrows line, say and do the motions to the Memory Verse. Continue with each child. Repeat as desired.
- *AFTER THE ACTIVITY:*
  - Connect the Memory Verse to the Bottom Line.

### What You Say:

- *BEFORE THE ACTIVITY*
  - “Friends, come let’s say our Memory Verse together as we do the motions. Are we ready? Here we go! ‘Jesus said (*tap finger to middle of each palm*) “Let the children (*point to children*) come to me,”” (*move hands toward self*) Matthew 19:14. (*Open hands like a book.*) Super-duper! Look at all these arrows on the floor. We are going to jump and face the way the arrow is pointing. You can jump from one arrow to the other until you get to the end and then we will say our verse together.”
- *DURING THE ACTIVITY*
  - “[Child’s Name] you can start jumping. (Pause.) Great job! You made it to the end. Let’s say the verse together. ‘Jesus said (*tap finger to middle of each palm*) “Let the children (*point to children*) come to me,”” (*move hands toward self*) Matthew 19:14. Now it’s your turn [child’s name]! (Continue with each child.) Woo-hoo! We did it! Let’s say our verse and do the motions together one more time. ‘Jesus said (*tap finger to middle of each palm*) “Let the children (*point to children*) come to me,”” (*move hands toward self*) Matthew 19:14. Great job!”
- *AFTER THE ACTIVITY*
  - “The Bible teaches us that Jesus loves us no matter what. Just like Jesus loved the woman in our story even though she did something that God didn’t want her to do. Jesus wants us to come near Him because He loved them, and He loves us too. **Who loves you?**  
*[Bottom Line] Jesus loves me!*”

### PRAYER TIME

**What You Say:**

“Let’s pray together!”

*“Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus not to punish us, but to show us how much You love us! Please help us love like Jesus loves us. Jesus loves you, [Bottom Line] Jesus loves me, Jesus loves everyone, and so should we. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name. Amen.”*