



Today's Bible Story: Great Commission • Matthew 28:16-20 I can tell others about Jesus.

Key Question: Who wants to be your friend forever?

Bottom Line: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Memory Verse: "I have called you friends." • John 15:15 NIV

Notes

- *Blue text is a cue for audio and visual slides.*
- *Red text is for nonverbal cues.*

GAME/STORY SUPPLIES

- Bible

WORSHIP

- Great Big God
- Everyone, Everywhere



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Large Group Week 3

WELCOME

Hi friends! I'm SO excited to see you today! It's my favorite time of the week because worshipping with you is my very favorite thing! Jesus loves you and loves me so very much!

WORSHIP

Let's celebrate Jesus! We can sing to Jesus and tell Him we love Him because **[Bottom Line] Jesus wants to be my friend forever!** Everyone, stand up, join in, and do your best singing and dancing!

Show Worship: Great Big God

Show Worship: Everyone, Everywhere

Thanks for worshipping with me. Sit right down.

BIG GROUP GAME

In today's Bible story, Jesus meets his friend on a mountain to tell them something important. Raise your hand if you have ever been to the mountains.

So fun! Let's look at my pictures and pretend to take a hike in the mountains right now!

Show Graphic: Mountain

Look at the tall mountain! Everyone stand up. Let's climb to the top!

Pretend to climb up the mountain.

Show Graphic: Rocks

These rocks are so big! Let's jump across. Don't fall into the water!

Pretend to jump across rocks.

Show Graphic: Log

More water! Let's walk carefully across the tall mountain! Keep your balance!

Pretend balance and walk across the log.

Show Graphic: Mud

So much sticky mud! Let's stomp through it! Don't get stuck!

Pretend to stomp through mud.

Wow, that was such a fun hike through the mountains!

Now sit right down and shake the wiggles out (**wiggle hands**) so we can hear (**cup hands behind ears**) what the story's all about!

INTRO

Show Series Graphic: Hip Hip Hooray

It's time to celebrate! (**Pat legs.**) Hip, hip, (**throw arms in the air**) hooray! Can you do that with me?

(**Kids and leaders respond**) (**Pat legs.**) Hip, hip, (**throw arms in the air**) hooray!

Jesus wants to be our friend forever. That's why we are celebrating!

I'm so excited to see what's happening at the new clubhouse. Let's visit Ollie and hear our Bible story!

BIBLE TRUTH

Show Video: Video_WK4

APPLICATION

Show Series Graphic: Hip Hip Hooray

Jesus wants us to tell people all about Him! We can tell people about Him at home, at school, in your neighborhood—everywhere you go! Let's practice right now.

[Bottom Line] "Jesus wants to be my friend forever!" Say that with me!

(**Kids and leaders respond**) **[Bottom Line]** "Jesus wants to be my friend forever!"

Bible Verse

(**Open Bible**) Now, let's learn some of God's words from the Bible.

Let's learn this together! Everyone, stand up! Are you ready? Let's watch the motions, then we can do them all together!

Show Video: Memory Verse Motions

Show Verse: John 15:15

**“I (point up)
Have called you (point to others)
friends (hook index fingers twice)
John 15:15 (open hands like a book)**

(Practice verse a couple of times using whisper voices, silly voices, loud voices, slow, fast, etc.)

Great job, everybody! Now, let’s sit down, bow our heads, and talk to God because He loves us!

(Have kids sit back down, get quiet, fold their hands, and close their eyes.)

PRAYER

Dear God, Jesus is Your Son, and He has given us a big job. Help us tell everyone everywhere that Jesus loves them and wants to be their friend forever. We pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

SMALL GROUP TIME

Show Graphic: Small Group