

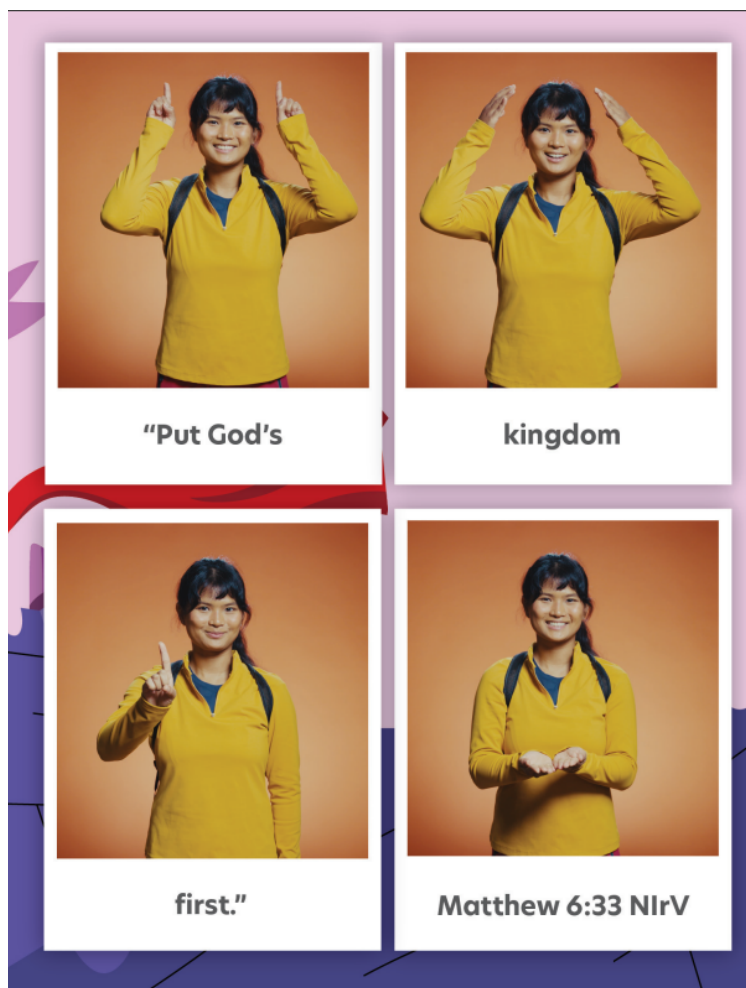
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Bible Story: The Story of the Farmer • Matthew 13:1-2

God's kingdom grows when you hear and do what He says.

Bottom Line: Jesus teaches me about God's kingdom.

Memory Verse: "Put God's kingdom first." • Matthew 6:33



Story Time

Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom.

WELCOME

Show Series Graphic: KingdomQuest

Let's do something fun! Let's create a little rhythm with motions. The first thing I want you to do is to clap three times with me. Ready?

(Clap three times.)

Now tapping your head three times, like this *(tapping head)* tap, tap, tap.

Again! First, we *(clapping)* clap, clap, clap... then we *(tapping head)* tap, tap, tap.

Now let's do a different motion, like patting our knees.

Ready, go! *(Pat knees.)* Pat, pat, pat.

Great job! Now wave your arms side to side like this? Show me how you can do that.

(Wave your arms overhead and side to side.)

So fun! Now let's do them all again.

First, we *(clapping)* clap, clap, clap... then we *(tapping head)* tap, tap, tap. Now, clap and pat!

First, we *(clapping)* clap, clap, clap... then we *(patting knees)* pat, pat, pat. Let's clap and wave!

First, we *(clapping)* clap, clap, clap... then we *(wave arms overhead and side to side)* wave, wave, wave.

Great job!

WORSHIP

Now, we are going to worship. Time to stand up and sing and dance for Jesus!

Show 2-3 worship songs

That was so fun! I think we are ready to hear our Bible story. Shake the wiggles out *(wiggle hands)* so we can hear *(cup hands behind ears)* what the story's all about.

BIBLE LESSON

Let's hear a true story from the Bible. Time to visit Ollie and friends!

Show Bible Story Video

Let's learn some of God's words from the Bible!

Show Video: Memory Verse Motions

Show Verse: Matthew 6: 33

“Put God’s (point up with two hands)
kingdom (make crown on head with hands)
first” (hold up one finger)

Matthew 6:33 NIV. (Open hands like a book.)

Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You want us to be a part of Your kingdom. Thank You for Jesus and the stories He told to help us learn about You. Amen.

SEE & SHARE

Ok, my friends, it's See and Share time! Let's sit on a rug with a leader.

(Help leaders and kids get organized on a rug)



TODDLERS

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See and Share

SAY: When we listen and do what Jesus says, we can help God's kingdom grow really big, just like the seeds planted in the good dirt.

DO: Show items to the group and retell the Bible story using the pictures.

Picture 1 (Farmer with seeds): Jesus told a story about a farmer who had some seeds. Can you make your body small like a tiny seed? (Crouch down into a tiny ball.) The farmer tossed the seeds.

Picture 2 (Bird eating seeds on hard path): Some seeds landed on the hard path, and birds ate them. Flap your arms like a bird. (Flap arms.) Let's pretend to pick up and eat the seeds. (Pretend to pick up and eat seeds.)

Picture 3 (Seeds on rocks) and a rock: Some seeds fell on the rocks, but they got too hot and did not grow. (Hold a rock and allow kids to touch it.) Feel this rock. It is so hard!

Picture 4 (Seeds among thorns): Some seeds fell where thorny plants grew. The thorns crowded the plants, so they could not grow strong.

Picture 5 (Flowers) and fake flowers: More seeds fell onto good dirt. These seeds grew and grew into big, tall flowers. (Give each kid a flower.) Show me how tall your flower can grow. Hold it way up high!



TODDLER CRAFT: CRAZY DAISY

What You Need: Daisy cutouts, jumbo craft sticks, coloring supplies/dot marker, tape, wipes

What You Say:

When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, we are like these flowers growing in good soil. Beautiful and healthy. Thank You, Jesus, for teaching us so many good things. **[Bottom Line]** **Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.**

Today let's make a beautiful flower to help us remember our Bible story.

What to do:

- Give each kid a flower cutout.
- Write each child's name in the center of the flower.
- Encourage children to decorate the flower with coloring supplies or dot paint markers.
- Clean hands as needed.



TODDLER CRAFT: GOOD SOIL

What You Need: Good soil activity page, glue sticks, brown paper pieces, coloring supplies/dot markers, tape

What You Say:

Jesus told a story about a farmer where the seeds that grew and grew were the seeds that landed on good soil. See the farmer and the beautiful, healthy plants and flowers? **(Point to their paper.)**

Let's make the good soil with this brown paper!

Jesus teaches us so many good things. When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, God's kingdom grows! [Bottom Line] Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom."

What to do:

- Give each kid an activity page.
- An adult helps rub glue onto the soil portion.
- Demonstrate how to stick brown paper to the glue.
- Encourage kids to fill in the soil with the brown paper.

SUPPLY LIST

- Story pictures sets
- Rock
- Flowers
- Daisy cutouts
- Jumbo craft sticks
- Coloring supplies or dot markers
- Tape
- Wipes
- Good soil activity pages
- Glue sticks
- Brown paper pieces