



PRESCHOOL

WEEK 1 - STARTER



Activity Name: Seed to Tree

What You Need: None needed

What You Say:

We're going to pretend to be a tiny seed that grows into a big tree. When I say, 'Seed,' I want you to curl up in a tiny ball, just like this. **(Demonstrate.)** And when I say, 'Tree,' I want you to jump up and stretch your arms way up high and out to the side with big branches, just like this. **(Demonstrate.)** Are you ready? Okay ... Seed! Curl up really tiny into a ball. **(Pause.)** Wow! Great job! You're so tiny! Now ... Tree! Stand up tall and spread your arms really wide like a big, tall tree! **(Pause.)** You've got it! Let's try it faster. Seed! **(Pause.)** Tree! **(Pause.)** Seed! **(Repeat as time and interest allow.)** Wow, you are great at being a tiny seed and a big tree!

What You Do:

- Gather children in an open area with plenty of space to move. You will call out either "Seed" or "Tree!"
- When you say "Seed," everyone should curl up into a tiny ball on the floor.
- When you say "Tree," everyone should jump up tall and stretch their arms out wide like branches.
- Start slowly and gradually increase the speed.
- Repeat as time and interest allow.

What You Say:

Our Bible story today is a special story Jesus told about a tiny seed that grows into a big plant. It helps us understand God's kingdom. Let's go learn about God's kingdom!

Lead your group to the Large Group area.



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WEEK 1 - SMALL GROUP



Activity Name: Dot to Dot Tree

What You Need: “Dot to Dot Tree” Activity page coloring supplies

What You Say:

Let’s make a picture that reminds us of the story Jesus told! It starts with something tiny and grows into something big. Say: “Find the number one on your paper. It’s a tiny dot, just like the tiny seed in our story! Now let’s draw a line from one to two. (Assist as needed.) And now, from two to three! Look! Our seed is starting to grow. Let’s keep connecting the dots and see how big it gets.” (Continue until the tree is formed.) “You did it! Your tiny seed grew into a big tree! That’s just like the story Jesus told. Jesus said God’s kingdom starts small but grows big enough for everyone.”

What You Do:

- Give each kid a “Dot to Dot Tree” activity page.
- Write each kid’s name on their page.
- Show the children the small dot labeled “1” at the bottom of the page, explaining that it’s like our tiny mustard seed.
- Help them connect the small dots in order to “grow” the seed into something big.
- After the outline is done, they can color the tree.
- Connect the bottom line to the Bible story.

Your pictures look amazing! That tiny seed grew into a big tree with room for everyone, just like God’s kingdom. God’s kingdom may start small, like a seed, but it keeps growing and growing! God is growing a kingdom that has a place for all His people, just like a tree has room for all the birds. And God loves us so much that He wants all of us to be part of His kingdom. Every single person! That’s a really big kingdom! Who can be part of God’s kingdom? **[Bottom Line] I can be part of God’s kingdom!**