

## BIBLE STORY

The Last Supper  
Matthew 26:26-30

## BIG TRUTH

Jesus Died for Our Sins

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## WELCOME STATIONS

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## WORSHIP & SUPER CLUE

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3. Invite a child up to open the **Super Clue Box**. "Your clue this week is a LOAF OF BREAD. Hmmm, What does a LOAF OF BREAD have to do with our Bible Story?"

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## BIBLE STORY & BIBLE VERSE

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Introduce and show the **Bible Story Video**.  
Go over the **Small Talk** questions and practice the **Bible Verse** with them.

## QUESTIONS & VERSE

### SMALL TALK QUESTIONS

1. **Who remembers what our Super Clue is today?** (LOAF OF BREAD)
2. **What does a loaf of bread help us remember?** (It reminds us that Jesus had a special meal with His friends to tell them He was going to die to save them and that He'd rise again in three days.)
3. **What special thing did Jesus do for His friends?** (He washed their feet.)
4. **Why do Christians still share the Lord's Supper (communion)?** (To remember Jesus' life and death.)
5. **What is something you learned about God today?**
6. **Let's say our Big Truth together.** Jesus died for our sins!

### BIBLE VERSE

**For God so loved the world** (Reach up with palms turned in.)  
**He gave his one and only Son,** (With palms up, move both hands in a small circle and end like you are holding a tray.)  
**that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.**  
 (Cross arms in front of your chest like a cross, not an X.)  
**John 3:16a** (Bring hands together to make a Bible.)

## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** Moon Sand Cross: Encourage the children play with the moon sand and make a cross or a tomb. Review the story with them.
2. **CRAFT:** Cross Relief: Have children paint the watercolor paper with the blue and purple paint until at least most of the middle is covered with paint. Allow to dry. Attach the black paper with the cross cut out to the watercolor paper with glue.

### PreK

1. **GAME:** Roll that Stone Away: Have children work together to get the ball through the hole. Have them pretend that the ball is the stone that the angel rolled away from the tomb when Jesus rose from the dead.
2. **CRAFT:** Cross Relief: Have children paint the watercolor paper with the blue and purple paint until at least most of the middle is covered with paint. Allow to dry. Attach the black paper with the cross cut out to the watercolor paper with glue.

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## PREPARE: LEADER DEVO

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### Jesus is Alive

**Read** - Luke 23:44–24:12

In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen!

**Luke 24:5–6a**

**Reflect** - How can you celebrate that Jesus is alive this week?

- A. I can invite a friend to come to church with me.
- B. I can share with someone the difference that Jesus makes in my life.
- C. I can confess sin and commit to following Him more closely.

**Pray** - Thank You, God, for sending Jesus to take the punishment I deserve for sin. Thank you that Jesus came back to life, defeated sin and death, and made the way for me to have a relationship with You now and forever. Help me to celebrate the truth of who You are and how much You love me every day. Amen.

**Prepare** - What difference does Jesus dying for sin, defeating death, and coming back to life make in your life and the lives of people around you?

## BIBLE STORY

Jesus is Alive

Matthew 26-28; Mark 15:33-16:8

## BIG DEAL

God Sent Jesus for Me

GOSPEL WEEKEND

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## QUESTIONS & VERSE

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### SMALL TALK QUESTIONS

1. **Who remembers what our Super Clue is today?** (AN EMPTY TOMB)
2. **What does AN EMPTY TOMB help us remember?** (It reminds us that Jesus is alive! God sent Jesus for us so we can be forgiven and have a friendship with Him.)
3. **God sent Jesus for me. Can you remember what Jesus did for us?** (Jesus came to take the punishment for our wrong choices.) **Why did Jesus do this?** (so we could be forgiven and be friends forever with God)
4. **God leads me to hope. How does God lead us to hope? Who can you tell about the hope God gives us?** (God leads us to hope because He sent us His Son, Jesus, so we can be forgiven of our wrong choices and have a friendship with Him.)
5. **Do you remember today's Big Deal?** I'll say it first and you say it after me! (God sent Jesus) God sent Jesus (for me!) for me!

### BIBLE VERSE

**You are my friends** (Clasp hands together in front of chest.)  
**if you do what I command you.** (Make fists and bring them to shoulders.)

**John 15:14** (Hold hands out like a book.)

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## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

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### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** Empty Tomb: Preschoolers will race to lift "rocks" (crumpled butcher paper) and find the one with the empty tomb drawing.
2. **CRAFT:** Jesus is Alive Pennant: Preschoolers will make a pennant celebrating the truth that God sent Jesus for me.

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## STORY SCRIPT

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### **Leading into Story/Worship**

Hello! Hello! Welcome, friends! My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am so excited to be here with you. As I got ready to come here and see all of you, my excitement grew! Then I remembered today is Easter! Easter is a really special day. On Easter we celebrate that Jesus is alive! Now that I am here with you, and I see all my preschool friends, I am so, so excited! I am all the way up to here excited! Can you do that too? (Lead preschoolers to stand on tiptoes, arms stretched up with fingers wiggling.) Excellent work! You can put your hands down now. One thing I love to do when I am celebrating a special day is to sing. Singing is a great way to show excitement and joy. Let's stand up and sing our Theme song. Ready? Let's celebrate and sing!

### **After the Bible Story Video**

In our Bible story, we learned that Jesus taught that He was God's Son, and everyone who believed in Him would have a friendship with God. That made some people very mad, so they made a plan to hurt Jesus. They put Him on a cross even though He did nothing wrong. Jesus died and was placed in a tomb. On the third day, the first day of the week, women who loved Jesus went to visit the tomb. An angel told them that Jesus was not there. He had risen. This means that Jesus is alive!

Our Super Clue today is an empty tomb. When we see a picture of an empty tomb, it can remind us of the truth that Jesus is alive! At Easter we celebrate the truth that the tomb is empty because Jesus is alive! But that is not the only good news! God sent Jesus to take the punishment for our wrong choices (called sin). Even though Jesus never sinned, He was punished for our sin and died on a cross. But on the third day Jesus came back to life. Jesus is alive, and He wants everyone to believe in Him and have a forever friendship with God. Everyone includes you and me! God sent Jesus for me. Each of us can believe in Him and have friendship with God. This is the most amazing, good news! It makes me feel so excited and thankful.

God sent Jesus for us, and that is such incredible news. When I think about that, I like to take a moment to pray. Praying is talking and listening to God. He always wants to know what we are thinking and feeling. Let's pray right now.

God, thank You for sending Jesus to take the punishment for my wrong choices. I am so excited that I can be friends with You. Help me love and obey You. Amen.

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## PREPARE: LEADER DEVO

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### Wise King Solomon

**Read** - 1 Peter 1:13-25

Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.

#### 1 Peter 1:13

**Reflect** - In what area of your life do you need to prepare your mind and center your thoughts on God and His Word?

- A. My thoughts and attitudes at work
- B. My thoughts and attitudes at home
- C. My thoughts and attitudes in my community

**Pray** - God, help me with my thoughts this week. Help my mind to stay on You so I can obey You and turn away from anything that could distract me. Thank You for helping transform me from the inside out. Amen.

**Prepare** - What does it mean to live in a way that is holy (set apart and different), and what part do our thoughts play in living that way?

## BIBLE STORY

Wise King Solomon

1 Kings 3:1-15; 2 Chronicles 1:1-13; Proverbs 4

## BIG DEAL

God Helps Me Obey

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## QUESTIONS & VERSE

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### SMALL TALK QUESTIONS

1. **Who remembers what our Super Clue is today?** (A COMPASS)
2. **What does a compass help us remember?** (A compass helps us remember that God tells us which way is right. We should follow God's way. We can find out God's way from our Bible stories and reading our Bibles.)
3. **God helps me with my thoughts. What kinds of thoughts can God help us with?** (God helps us with all of our thoughts—our happy thoughts, our good thoughts, and our sad, scary, and mad thoughts.)
4. **Do you remember today's Big Deal?** Repeat after me: All the Way! (All the Way!) God Helps Me Obey! (God Helps Me Obey!)

### BIBLE VERSE

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## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

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### 2s & 3s

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Welcome, friends! My name is \_\_\_\_\_. It is great to see you! Today we are going to learn about how God helps us obey. To obey God means to hear God's Word and do what it says. In fact, the word obey is in today's Big Deal. A Big Deal teaches us something important about God. Today's Big Deal is, "All the Way! God Helps Me Obey!" God wants us to obey Him all the way, which means He wants us to follow and do everything He asks us to do.

It's your turn! Let's say the Big Deal. I will say it first, and you say it after me. Ready? All the Way! (All the Way!) God Helps Me Obey! (God Helps Me Obey!) Super!

### **After the Bible Story Video**

In our Bible story, Solomon asked God to give him wisdom. When you have wisdom, you act and think in ways that honor, obey, and please God. God gave Solomon wisdom. God helped Solomon act and think in ways that honored Him. While Solomon was king, he told the people many wise things to help them know how to follow God. God wants us to obey Him all the way, and that includes thinking about things that honor and show love to Him and other people.

That reminds me of today's Big Deal. Why don't you repeat it after me? All the Way! (All the Way!) God Helps Me Obey! (God Helps Me Obey!) It is such good news that God will help us obey Him.

Let's pray and thank God for helping us obey Him. Prayer is talking and listening to God.

God, thank You so much for helping us obey You. Thank You for knowing and helping us with our thoughts. Amen.

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## PREPARE: LEADER DEVO

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### Words that Honor God

**Read** - James 3

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

**James 3:13**

**Reflect** - Where can you grow in showing wisdom with your words?

- A. I can speak words that encourage, uplift, and build up others.
- B. I can avoid speaking words that hurt, harm, and discourage others.
- C. I can speak the truth in love and kindness.

**Pray** - God, You have given me the power to point others to You and help them grow with my words. Help me to honor you with what I say. Thank You for working through me to love and encourage others with what I say. Amen.

**Prepare** - In your everyday conversations, what helps you honor God and lift others up rather than tear them down?

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Words that Honor God  
James 3

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## QUESTIONS & VERSE

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2. **What does a mouth help us remember?** (A mouth helps us remember that God wants us to obey by using our words to honor Him.)
3. **God helps us with our words. When we have trouble controlling our words, what can we do?** (Pray and ask God for help.)
4. **Do you remember today's Big Deal?** Repeat after me: All the Way! (All the Way!) God Helps Me Obey! (God Helps Me Obey!)

### BIBLE VERSE

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## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

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### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** Kind vs Hurtful Words: Preschoolers will clap or cheer when you say kind words and say no and shake their heads when you say unkind words.
2. **CRAFT:** Paper Bag Puppets: Preschoolers will decorate a paper bag puppet and practice saying kind words using the puppet.

### PreK

1. **GAME:** Kind vs Hurtful Words: Preschoolers will hold up red or green on their paddle when you say a series of phrases.
2. **CRAFT:** Paper Bag Puppets: Preschoolers will decorate a paper bag puppet and practice saying kind words using the puppet.

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## STORY SCRIPT

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### Leading into Story/Worship

Hello! My name is \_\_\_\_\_. It is such a great day to get together and learn. I am so glad I am here with you! It is spring, and during this time of the year, a lot of people plant seeds that will grow into plants. When you plant a seed there are several steps you need to take. Let's see if we can play out the steps right now. Everybody, stand up. First, we are going to get a seed. (Pretend to get a seed out of a packet.) Now we are going to poke a little hole in the ground. (Pretend to poke a hole in the ground.) Next, we are going to drop our seed into the hole. Everybody, say, "Plunk!" (Pretend to drop the seed into the ground and say, "Plunk!") Now we need to cover the seed with dirt. (Pretend to cover the seed and give it a little pat.) Excellent! Plants need water and sunlight to grow, so let's take a watering can and water our seeds. Now we will wait for the sun and the rain to come and help our seed grow. (Demonstrate waiting.) Finally, the little green leaves slowly emerge from the ground. Can you imagine the seed sprouting? Great job! We used our imaginations to pretend to follow all the steps it takes to plant a seed and watch it grow. Are you ready to watch our Bible story? Ok, let's remember our Super Clue and try to figure out what it has to do with our story.

### After the Bible Story Video

In our Bible Story today, we learned about James, a follower of Jesus. He wrote a letter to help other people follow and obey Jesus. James wrote that our words should be loving, peaceful, gentle, obedient, and honest. God helps us with our words. He can help us honor Him with the words we say.

One way we can use our words is to pray. Praying is talking and listening to God. Let's pray right now and ask for His help.

God, thank You for listening to our prayers. Thank You for helping us control our words. Help us use words that are loving, peaceful, gentle, obedient, and honest. Amen.

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## PREPARE: LEADER DEVO

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### Moses and Pharaoh

**Read** - Exodus 12

All the Israelites did just as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron.

**Exodus 12:50**

**Reflect** - Where can you grow in obeying and following God?

- A. Stop a behavior that disobeys God.
- B. Start a habit that obeys and honors God.
- C. Ask someone I trust and admire where I can grow.

**Pray** - Thank You, God, for giving me a great example of loving, following, and obeying You through Moses and the story of the Passover. Help me remember, trust and obey You. Amen.

**Connect** - When is it easy and when is it difficult to obey God? What can help you when it is difficult?

## BIBLE STORY

Moses and Pharaoh  
Exodus 3-12

## BIG DEAL

God Helps Me Obey

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## QUESTIONS & VERSE

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1. **Who remembers what our Super Clue is today?** (A FROG, RED WATER & A LOCUST)
2. **What do those things help us remember?** (Those are some of the things that God used to get Pharaoh to listen to Moses and let His people go. Moses obeyed God and God helped Moses.)
3. **Do you always remember to obey God? What are some things you do to help you remember?**
4. **What is something you liked about the Bible story today?**
5. **Do you remember today's Big Deal?** Repeat after me: All the Way! (All the Way!) God Helps Me Obey! (God Helps Me Obey!)

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## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

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### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** Find the Plagues: Preschoolers will find the items that represent the plagues that you have hidden around the room.
2. **CRAFT:** Soft Heart/Hard Heart Craft: Preschoolers will put cotton balls on one side of the heart that says (Soft Heart - Listens to God) and color one side black or gray. That side says Hard Heart - won't listen to God.

### PreK

1. **GAME:** 3-2-1 Action: Preschoolers will act out what they would do when faced with the situation on the card. Make up more scenarios as time allows.
2. **CRAFT:** Stop, Think, Go Bracelet: Preschoolers will thread one each of red, yellow and green beads onto their pipe cleaner. Red means Stop, don't do the wrong thing. Yellow means Think, what does God want you to do. Green means Go, obey!

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## STORY SCRIPT

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### **Leading into Story/Worship**

Hello, everyone! My name is \_\_\_\_\_. Before we get started, I want to make sure we are warmed up all the way. There are three steps we need to follow to do this. Step one: We need to warm up our bodies. Can you warm up your body? (Demonstrate wiggling your body.) Body warmed up—check! Step two: We need to warm up our voices. Will you repeat after me? Me-me-me-me-me-me! (Me-me-me-me-me-me!) OK! Step two—check! Finally, we have step three, and this is very important! We must warm up our ears. That's right—our listening ears need to be ready to hear the important things we are going to learn today. This is how you warm up your ears. Copy me! (Use your fingers to wiggle your ears.) Yes! That's it! I am so glad we are warmed up all the way! When we do something all the way, we do all the steps from start to finish. Thank you for warming up all the way with me!

### **After the Bible Story Video**

The Super Crew is so helpful! In today's Bible story, Moses had an important job to do, asking Pharaoh to let God's people go. God helped Moses follow Him and know what to say and do. Pharaoh made wrong choices and did not obey God with his actions. God wants us to obey Him all the way. He helps us follow Him all the way, just like He helped Moses.

When we need help, we can ask for it. When we talk and listen to God, this is called prayer. Let's pray now and ask God to help us obey Him with our actions.

God, thank You for helping us with our actions. Please help us obey You all the way in the things we do. Amen