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## PREPARE: LEADER DEVO

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### God Called Moses

**Read** - Exodus 3

God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.' God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers - the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob - has sent me to you.'

"This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation."

**Exodus 3:14-15**

**Reflect** - What can you remember about God to help when you have questions or doubts about God and His character?

- A. God is holy and set apart from everything else in all existence.
- B. God is good and everything He does is right and perfect.
- C. God is loving and leads and guides me every day.

**Pray** - God, I admit that I do not always have thoughts that please and honor You. Please forgive me. Help me remember who You are and allow that truth to transform my thoughts. Amen.

**Connect** - How can turning our thoughts to God make a difference in everyday life?



**Preschool**  
July 5/6, 2025

### **BIBLE STORY**

God Called Moses  
Exodus 3-4

### **BIG DEAL**

God Cares When I Hurt

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## **WELCOME STATIONS**

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### **2s & 3s**

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3. Set out the **Playdough** Encourage the kids to explore it.

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## **WORSHIP & SUPER CLUE**

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1. Gather the children in the designated **large group spot** using the song. (Now it's time to hear God's Word...).
2. Lead them in singing the **Oikos song** and doing the hand motions. Play the theme song encouraging children to dance and sing.
3. Invite a child up to open the **Super Clue Box**. "Your clue this week is a PAUSE BUTTON. Hmmm, What does a PAUSE BUTTON 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?** (a pause button)
2. **What does a pause button help us remember?** (When we think wrong thoughts, we can press pause and ask God for help.)
3. **How does God care for us today?** (God knows what we think. When we think wrong thoughts, we can pause and ask God for help. We can remember that God loves us and cares for us no matter what. God can help take away our wrong thoughts.)
4. **What was your favorite part of the Bible story?**
5. **Do you remember today's Big Deal? I'll say it first, and you say it after me.** Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!)

### BIBLE VERSE

**God, create a clean heart** (Raise both hands to the sky with palms facing in, then place both hands over your heart.)

**for me.** (Point both thumbs to your chest.)

**in Christ Jesus our Lord.** (Place both hands up with palms facing in.)

**Psalm 51:10a** (Hold hands out like a book.)

## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** Simon Says: Preschoolers will play a game of Simon Says to help them remember how Moses did what God told him to.
2. **CRAFT:** Press Pause Paper Plate: Preschoolers will make their own pause button to remind them that God Cares When I Hurt.

### PreK

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## STORY SCRIPT

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

Hi, friends! I love it when we get to be at church together—it is so much fun! I've been thinking all week about what we will be learning about today. Let's start by learning our Big Deal. A Big Deal is an important truth that teaches us something about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Press Pause! God Cares When I Hurt!" Do you know what pause means? (Allow responses.) Pause means to stop and take a minute to breathe or think. Let's say our Big Deal together. I'll say it first, and you can say it after me. Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!) Great job!

Today we will be learning about how God knows our thoughts, the things we think. God cares for us when we are happy and when we are sad, and He knows our happy thoughts and our sad thoughts. Sometimes we may even think wrong thoughts about doing things that are unkind, and God knows those too. Whenever we have wrong thoughts or are tempted, which means we have the chance to make a wrong choice, we can pause, stop what we are doing, and ask God for help.

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

In our Bible story today, God knew what Moses was thinking, that he was worried and did not believe in God's plan or power. God was not happy with Moses' wrong thoughts, but still, God promised to be with Moses and help him. God knows what we think, too, even our wrong thoughts, like when we doubt that God's plan is good. Let's say, "God knows what I think," together. Ready? "God knows what I think."

Let's pray and thank God for always caring for us. When we pray, we are talking and listening to God.

God, thank You for loving and caring for us, even when we think wrong thoughts. Help us remember that we can always press pause and ask You for help. You are with us every day. Amen.

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## PREPARE: LEADER DEVO

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### Jesus Appeared to Thomas

**Read** - John 20:24-29

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed;  
blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

**John 20:29**

**Reflect** - How can you turn to Jesus when your heart is struggling to believe?

- A. When I am overwhelmed by my circumstances, I can ask Jesus to help me trust and believe in His plan.
- B. When I am hurt or disappointed, I can ask Jesus to help me trust and believe in His purpose.
- C. When I feel helpless or hopeless, I can ask Jesus to help me trust and believe in His power.

**Pray** - God, You know my heart does not always trust You. Help me to turn to You when I struggle, knowing You love me and the broken places in me and my life. Thank You for Your love and patience. Amen.

**Prepare** - What helps you believe in Jesus, even though you can't see Him?



**Preschool**  
July 12/13, 2025

### **BIBLE STORY**

Jesus Appeared to Thomas  
John 20:19-29

### **BIG DEAL**

God Cares When I Hurt

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## **WELCOME STATIONS**

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### **2s & 3s**

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3. Set out the **Playdough** Encourage the kids to explore it.

### **PreK**

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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 FEELINGS CHART. Hmmm, What does a FEELINGS CHART 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?** (a feelings chart)
2. **What does a feelings chart help us remember?** (A feelings chart helps you name what you are feeling. God cares when we hurt, and He knows our heart and how we are feeling.)
3. **From our Bible story today, what was Thomas feeling in his heart?** (Thomas was doubting that Jesus was alive.)
4. **God knows your heart. What does it mean that God knows your heart?** (God knows what is going on inside us, like when we doubt or even when we make wrong choices, but He still loves us and wants us to believe and follow Him.)
5. **Do you remember today's Big Deal? I'll say it first, and you say it after me.** Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!)

### BIBLE VERSE

**God, create a clean heart** (Raise both hands to the sky with palms facing in, then place both hands over your heart.)

**for me.** (Point both thumbs to your chest.)

**in Christ Jesus our Lord.** (Place both hands up with palms facing in.)

**Psalms 51:10a** (Hold hands out like a book.)

## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** Heart Toss: Preschoolers will toss beanbags onto hearts to remember that "God Knows My Heart".
2. **CRAFT:** Feelings Chart: Preschoolers will glue their emotions face onto the corresponding face. Help the children name each feeling. Have them show you their happy face, sad face, etc.

### PreK

1. **GAME:** Heart Relay: Preschoolers will play a game where they will put together paper hearts to remember that "God Knows My Heart".
2. **CRAFT:** Finish the Face: Preschoolers will finish the emotions on the faces on their papers. Help the children name each feeling. Have them show you their happy face, sad face, etc.

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## STORY SCRIPT

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### Leading into Story/Worship

Welcome, friends! Before we get started, let's see if we can use our hands to make shapes. Wiggle your fingers to get them ready. Can you make a circle with your hands? (Demonstrate, then allow preschoolers to try.) Great job! Can you make a triangle? (Demonstrate, then allow preschoolers to try.) Wow! This one is tricky. Can you make a heart with your hands? (Demonstrate, then allow preschoolers to try.) I love all of your heart shapes! Now let's all clap our hands one time. Ready? Clap! (Allow responses.) Now let's clap three times. Ready? Clap three times! (Allow responses.) Now, when I say, "Go," you will clap until I press pause. When I say, "Pause," we will all stop clapping at the same time. Ready? 3-2-1 Go! Clap until I press pause. (Allow responses.) Pause! Great! Whenever we need to stop what we are doing or take a break, we can press pause and stop, just like we did with our clapping.

### After the Bible Story Video

Thanks, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) I knew they could help us connect our Super Clue to the Big Deal. In our Bible story, do you remember how Thomas was feeling a little unsure? His heart was wondering if the man in front of him was actually Jesus, the Son of God. God knew that Thomas was doubting, and God knew what was inside Thomas' heart. Jesus was so kind to show Thomas His hands to prove that He truly was the Son of God. Just like God knew Thomas' heart, He knows our hearts too. He knows when we are sad and when we are happy. Let's say, "God knows my heart," together. Ready? "God knows my heart."

Let's pray together. When we pray, we are talking and listening to God. We can thank God for knowing our hearts.

God, thank You so much for knowing our hearts and loving us. Thank You for helping us when we ask. We love You! Amen.



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## PREPARE: LEADER DEVO

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### David and Nathan

**Read** - 2 Samuel 11-12:14; Psalm 51

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

#### Psalm 51:10-12

**Reflect** - What does God offer that brings you the kind of joy which overflows into following Him more closely?

- A. The promise of salvation
- B. The hope of life with Him forever
- C. The peace of walking with Him

**Pray** - Thank you, God, that You help me know and follow You. When I stumble in my faith, help me turn to You and remember that You love and sustain me. Amen.

**Prepare** - How can confession and repentance (turning away from sin and turning to God) make a difference when we make wrong choices?



# Preschool

July 19/20, 2025

## BIBLE STORY

David and Nathan  
2 Samuel 11-12:14; Psalm 51

## BIG DEAL

God Cares When I Hurt

## WELCOME STATIONS

### 2s & 3s

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## WORSHIP & SUPER CLUE

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## BIBLE STORY & BIBLE VERSE

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## QUESTIONS & VERSE

### SMALL TALK QUESTIONS

1. **Who remembers what our Super Clue is today?** (a light switch)
2. **What does a light switch help us remember?** (A light switch helps us turn on a light, and the light helps us see the actions of everyone in the room. God sees all of our actions—even our wrong choices.)
3. **Who did God send to David to tell him that he had made a wrong choice?** (The prophet, Nathan)
4. **What can we do when we know that our actions are wrong?** (Press pause and ask God for forgiveness.)
5. **Do you remember today's Big Deal? I'll say it first, and you say it after me.** Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!)

### BIBLE VERSE

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**Psalms 51:10a** (Hold hands out like a book.)

## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** What Animal Am I?: Preschoolers will play out different actions while friends guess what animal they are pretending to be.
2. **CRAFT:** Light Switch Headband: Preschoolers will make headbands that remind them that God knows their actions.

### PreK

1. **GAME:** Action Cube: Preschoolers will play a game where they roll the cube and then do the actions on the cube.
2. **CRAFT:** Light Switch Headband: Preschoolers will make headbands that remind them that God knows their actions.

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## STORY SCRIPT

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### Leading into Story/Worship

Welcome, friends! I am so excited to be here with all of you. Today we get to learn about something super important. We are learning how God knows our actions. What are actions? (Allow responses.) Actions are the things we do. Actions can be something like this (wave your arms), or actions can be something like this (high-five a preschooler). God knows our actions because He is God, and He knows everything. Today we are going to learn about how God cares when we hurt. This could be physical hurt, like falling down, or it could be hurt we feel inside, like hurt feelings or feeling sad. When we make a mistake with our actions, God wants us to stop whatever we are doing and ask for help because He cares for us and is always ready to help us obey. That reminds me of our Big Deal. A Big Deal is an important truth we learn about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Press Pause! God Cares When I Hurt!" Let's say it together. I'll say it first, and you can say it after me. Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!) Super!

### After the Bible Story Video

Bye, Super Crew! See you next time!

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story, David made a wrong choice, and Nathan helped David see that he was making a wrong choice. David was sorry for his wrong choices and wrote a prayer asking God to forgive him. God knew David's actions and knew he made a wrong choice.

God knows our actions too. God knows when we make wrong choices, and He is ready to forgive us. When we make a wrong choice, we can press pause, stop what we are doing, and ask God to forgive us. And He always does!

Let's pray and thank God for knowing our actions and forgiving us when we ask.

God, thank You so much for always being ready to forgive us when we make a wrong choice. Help us make right choices and obey You. Amen.

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### The Rich Young Ruler

**Read** - Luke 18:18-30

Jesus replied, "What is impossible with man is possible with God." Peter said to him, "We have left all we had to follow you!" "Truly I tell you," Jesus said to them, "no one who has left home or wife or brothers or sisters or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God will fail to receive many times as much in this age, and in the age to come eternal life."

**Luke 18:27-30**

**Reflect** - Which of these hindrances might you need to confess to God?

- A. A focus on money and possessions
- B. A focus on self and reputation
- C. A focus on control and my own plans

**Pray** - God, I confess that I sometimes try to find joy, peace, and belonging in things other than You. Help me let go of all hindrances to my faith and find everything I need in You. Amen.

**Connect:** - When did you first realize you needed Jesus and a relationship with God? How can remembering this need impact your daily life?



**Preschool**  
July 26/27, 2025

### **BIBLE STORY**

The Rich Young Ruler  
Luke 18:18-30

### **BIG DEAL**

God Cares When I Hurt  
GOSPEL WEEKEND

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## QUESTIONS & VERSE

### SMALL TALK QUESTIONS

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2. **What does a water bottle help us remember?** (A water bottle reminds us that we need water for our bodies to be healthy. Jesus teaches that what we need most is a friendship with God.)
3. **What did the rich young ruler ask Jesus?** (How to have eternal life with Jesus)
4. **God knows my need. What is our greatest need?** (Forgiveness from God and a friendship with Him)
5. **Do you remember today's Big Deal? I'll say it first, and you say it after me.** Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!)

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## CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

### 2s & 3s

1. **GAME:** Pass the Coin: Preschoolers will play a game where they pass the coin until the music stops. When it stops the child holding the coin can say "I need Jesus more than money".
2. **CRAFT:** Water Bottle Wrap Craft: Preschoolers will make a wrap for a water bottle that reminds me of the Super Clue and it's meaning.

### PreK

1. **GAME:** Bowling: Preschoolers will play a bowling game to help them remember the Super Clue and what it means.
2. **CRAFT:** Water Bottle Wrap Craft: Preschoolers will make a wrap for a water bottle that reminds me of the Super Clue and it's meaning.

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## STORY SCRIPT

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### Leading into Story/Worship

Today we are going to be learning about something so special. We are learning about how God cares for us when we hurt. That reminds me of our Big Deal. A Big Deal is something important we can learn about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Press Pause! God Cares When I Hurt!" Let's practice saying our Big Deal together. I'll say it first, and you can say it after me. Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!) Good job! God cares when our hearts are sad and when our hearts are happy. When we are sad, mad, scared, or upset, we can press pause and remember that God cares when we hurt. When we press pause that means we stop or take a break. God also cares when we need something. Today we are learning that God knows what we need. Let's say, "God knows my need," together. Ready? "God knows my need." Wow! Isn't that super?

### After the Bible Story Video

In our Bible story, we learned that instead of needing more things, what we need most is a friendship with God. A rich ruler asked Jesus how he could have life forever with God. Jesus knew what he really needed. He needed forgiveness and a friendship with God. God knows what we need most too. He knows that we are all hurt by sin and helps us with our real need—forgiveness and a friendship with Him.

Today's Super Clue is a water bottle. A water bottle reminds us that we need water for our bodies to be healthy. Jesus teaches us that we need friendship with God so we can have life forever with Him. God knows our need, and He knows what we need most of all—forgiveness and a friendship with Him. God knows my need. Let's say that together. Ready? "God knows my need." Great job! God cares for us and knows what we need most. Let's say our Big Deal together. I'll say it first, and you say it after me. Ready? Press Pause! (Press Pause!) God Cares When I Hurt! (God Cares When I Hurt!)

Let's pray and thank God for knowing all of our needs. When we pray, we are talking and listening to God.

God, thank You so much for loving us and caring for all our needs. Help us remember that our greatest need is You. Amen.