

Bible Games, Crafts, & Activities

Use to reinforce the story and bottom line.

Bible Game - Happy or Sad?

What you need: 2 pieces of paper and a black marker

What you do: Draw a large happy face with the black marker on one piece of paper and a large sad face on the other. Place the faces on opposite sides of your activity area at a child's eye level. Stand in the center of your activity area. Point out the smiley and frowny faces. Read the scenarios below. If they think it's a good choice, they should run to the happy face. If they think it's a bad choice, they should run to the sad face. Between each scenario, have them run back to the center of the room.

1. Your mom said not to get a cookie because they were for later, but you took one anyway. Good choice or bad choice?
2. Your little brother is sad. You offer to build with blocks to help him feel better. Good choice or bad choice?
3. When you finish playing with the blocks, you leave them scattered all over the floor instead of putting them away. Good choice or bad choice?
4. Your dad asks you to help set the table. You collect all the napkins, forks, and spoons, and put them where they go on the table. Good choice or bad choice?
5. A friend asks if he can have a turn on the swings. You say, "Sure," and hop off the swing so he can have a turn. Good choice or bad choice?
6. When your Mom says you need to wash your hands before you can have a snack, you stomp your feet and say, "I don't want to!" Good choice or bad choice?
7. Your Dad gives you a five-minute warning that it's almost time to leave the playground at the park. When the five minutes are up and he says it's time to go, you say, "Okay Dad," and leave without complaining. Good choice or bad choice?
8. A friend lets you ride his scooter. You don't want to give it back. Good choice or bad choice?

Discussion/Application: We make so many choices every day. Sometimes, we make good ones, and sometimes we don't. The good news for us is that God LOVES us, no matter what. He loves us when we make a good choice and when we make a bad one. He will always forgive us. Tell me, **who loves you?**
[Bottom Line] God loves me.

Bible Activity - Make Lemonade Together

What you need: A clear plastic pitcher, sugar, water, large spoon, small plastic cups, and lemonade mix

What you do: Gather your kids around the table. Make the lemonade according to the directions on the lemonade mix. Be sure to show and explain each step of the process to the children. Pour the lemonade into the cups for the children.

Discussion/Application: As the children drink, ask them if they can separate the sugar that you added from the lemonade that they are drinking. Ask them if they can separate the water. Explain that is how God's love is. You can never separate us from God's love. Say the memory verse together. 'Nothing at all can ever separate us from God's love,' Romans 8:39. Nothing can separate us from God's love! **Who loves you? [Bottom Line] God loves me!**

Bible Story Craft - Pictures of Love

What you need: Coloring Sheet in blog, scissors, and crayons

What you do: After your child has colored the coloring sheet in the blog cut apart and use the pictures to tell the story of John 3:16.

"God loved (*hold up heart*)
the world so much (*hold up Earth*)
He gave us (*hold up gift*)
Jesus." (*Hold up Jesus.*)

Next, tell the story again but allow your child to hold up the appropriate picture for each part of the story.

Discussion/Application: The story cards helped us to tell the good news that God loved us so much He gave us Jesus. **Who loves you? [Bottom Line] God loves me!**