



3-5s

CRAFTS | DAY 1

Bible Story: Look at what God made | Seeing God in Creation • Romans 1:20

Bottom Line: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Memory Verse: "Let us keep looking to Jesus." Hebrews 12:2, NIV

CRAFTS ROTATION

You may want to consider the following:

- Putting smocks on children
- Covering tables with butcher paper
- Covering floors for messier crafts
- Providing large paper bags with each child's name to contain their crafts for the week
- Examples of crafts can be found on Pinterest: http://bit.ly/FOCUS_VBS_Pre

1. WHAT DO YOU SEE

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft

2. KEEP YOUR EYES ON JESUS

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft



3-5s

CRAFTS | DAY 1

1. WHAT DO YOU SEE?

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft

What You Need: Empty toilet paper tubes (two per child); clear tape; yarn; a single hole punch; scissors; creation foam stickers; markers; "Day 1 Bottom Line Labels" and "Parent Note" Activity Pages; cardstock; and Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Day 1 Bottom Line Labels" onto the label paper (one label per child). Copy the "Parent Note" Activity Page onto cardstock and cut apart (one note per child). Tape two toilet paper tubes together side by side (wrap the tape around both tubes on both ends) to create binoculars. You will need one pair of binoculars for each child. Set the prepared binoculars at each spot at the table. Cut the yarn into two-foot lengths (one per child). Place the creation stickers and the markers in the center of the table.

During the Activity: Encourage the children to decorate their binoculars with the markers and stickers. As the children are decorating, use the hole punch to punch two holes in the tops of each pair of binoculars and run a piece of yarn through the holes so the children can wear them around their necks.

After the Activity: Set the binoculars and parent notes aside for pick up.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Today we're talking about how we can see God through all that He has made! Let's make some special binoculars to help us see all the wonderful things God has made."

After the Activity: "When you look through your binoculars, do you spy some friends God made? (Pause.) Yes! Take these binoculars home and keep looking for all the amazing things God made. God gave us so many wonderful things to enjoy, but the BEST gift ever is Jesus. Tell me: **Who wants to be your friend forever? [Bottom Line] Jesus wants to be my friend forever.**"

2. KEEP YOUR EYES ON JESUS

Made to Create: An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft

What You Need: Empty, dry disposable water bottles (one per child); “Keep Your Eyes on Jesus Label” Activity Page; Avery® #5163 labels or equivalent; large googly eyes (two per child); rice; “Jesus Cut Out” Activity Page; cardstock; glue sticks or glue dots; a laminator; a hot glue gun; and creation foam stickers

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy “Keep Your Eyes on Jesus Label” onto the label paper—one label per child. Copy the “Jesus Cut Out” Activity Page onto cardstock, laminate, and cut apart. You will need one cutout per child. Fill each bottle with rice, leaving an inch or two of space at the top of the bottle. Place a few foam stickers with sticky backing still attached and a Jesus cutout inside each bottle with the rice. Secure the lids tightly and run a bead of hot glue around the edge of each bottle. Place the googly eyes and glue sticks or glue dots on the table.

Option: If you have enough time and helpers available, consider allowing the preschoolers to place all the fun things inside the bottle and then taking it to a Small Group Leader to seal the bottle.

During the Activity: Give each child a prepared bottle. Encourage them to shake the bottle to identify what they see inside. Give each child a label to add to the bottle. Read the words on the label aloud to the children. Demonstrate how to secure the googly eyes underneath the text on the label with the glue sticks or glue dots.

After the Activity: Set bottles aside for pick up.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “I thought it would be fun to make some creation bottles! Inside you’ll find just a few of the wonderful things God has made. He has given us so many things to enjoy. But the best gift of all is Jesus! See if you can find a picture of Jesus in your bottle.”

During the Activity: “Let’s add this label to the front of our bottles. It says, “Keep your eyes on Jesus!” Let’s add these fun googly eyes underneath the words to remind us to focus on Jesus.”

After the Activity: “Wow! God made all these amazing things. And He gave them to us because He loves us. But of all the gifts God has given, Jesus is the best one of all. **Who wants to be your friend forever?** **[Bottom Line] Jesus wants to be my friend forever.**”