

K-5 | W4

Small Group (15 minutes)

Social: Providing Time for Fun Interaction
Opening Activity

Large Group (35 minutes)

Story: Communicating God's Truth in Engaging Ways
Worship: Inviting People to Respond to God

Opener

Worship

Bible Story (sections about God's Big Story are included as optional)

Prayer

Small Group (25 minutes)

Groups: Creating a Safe Place to Connect

Application Activity

Bible Story Review

Memory Verse Activity

Prayer Activity

Home: Prompting Action Beyond the Experience

Parent Cue Card (Print or Email)

Devotionals for Kids

Parent Cue App



Bible Story

Jesus Heals Jairus's Daughter and a Suffering Woman • *Mark 5:21-43*

Conversation Starter

How can you show love to others?

Bottom Line

Jesus shows love to people in need.

Monthly Memory Verse

"I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you." • John 13:34, NIV

5 min

Large Group Opener

5 min

OPENER

What You Need

- 2 Hula Hoops
- 1 Floor tape

HOST: "Hey, everyone! It's so good to see you all today! Turn to someone and give them a high five!"

"It's the final week of our series 'Like and Subscribe: Share the Love of Jesus!'

2 "This series is called 'Like and Subscribe,' because when you see something awesome online, you like it and subscribe to it because you don't want to miss a minute of awesomeness. And you want to share that awesomeness with your friends and family too!"

"This month we're talking about the love of God! That's definitely not something you want to miss a second of! And you so want to share it!"

"Today we're talking about how Jesus shows love to people in need. Aren't you glad that Jesus cares about everyone? Not just some people, He cares for everybody! You and I are included in that!"

"You know, Jesus didn't just talk about love. He did something about it. When people needed help, He stopped what He was doing to care for them. So today, we're going to play a game that reminds us what that kind of love looks like. It's called 'Link Up!'"

SLIDE: Link Up! Title

HOST: "Here's how it works: We'll have two teams of six players each. Each team will link arms at the elbows. You have to stay connected the whole time. Your team's goal is to move from the start line to the finish line without unlinking. But there's a twist."

"Each team has two Hula Hoops held by some fabulous leaders who are up here. Your whole group has to move together through both Hula Hoops without breaking your link. If anyone lets go, stop and link back up before continuing. The first team to reach the finish line, still linked, wins."

"Leaders who are holding Hula Hoops, come on up, get your Hula Hoops, and get into position! Let's get our teams ready. I need two teams of six kids. If you want to play, raise your hand!"

Choose twelve volunteers from the kids who have their hands raised. Invite them to come up on stage. Line up two teams of six at the starting line. Encourage them to link arms at the elbows.

"Everyone linked up? All right. On your mark, get set, GOOO!"

AUDIO: Upbeat music

HOST: "Nice teamwork! Keep those arms linked! Go slow and steady. Help each other through the Hula Hoops."

If time allows, continue with more rounds.

HOST: "Nice job, everyone! You stayed connected and worked together. That's what we should always be doing!"

SLIDE: Bottom Line

"When we help others, it's like linking arms with them. We're saying, 'You're not alone.' That's what Jesus did in our Bible Story today. He showed love to people who were hurting and needed help. And we can do the same thing this week. When you see someone who needs help or is left out, stop and help them, just like Jesus.

"Let's say today's Bottom Line together. **[Bottom Line] Jesus shows love to people in need!**"

KIDS AND HOST: [Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need!"
Great job, everyone!"

11 min

Worship

Note: We've suggested worship songs below from Amazing Kids Worship and Orange Kids Music. We've created these songs to be developmentally appropriate for elementary and preteen kids, incorporating simple, direct language, fun dance movements, and upbeat, current arrangements.

We've chosen these specific songs that amplify our teaching content for this month. We recommend that you use these songs as scripted below, or combined with other popular worship songs that your kids know and love. Be sure to share the links to these songs with parents so they can stream them at home or in the car! Songs can be purchased at store.thinkorange.com or for free with APlay.

3 min

OPTION 1 (Amazing Music)

What You Need

No supplies needed

WORSHIP LEADER: "Hi, everyone! It's time to get up on our feet and worship Jesus!

"When we sing, we're not just singing words. We're showing our love for God and thanking Him for how much He loves us.

"Let's start by singing a song that reminds us how amazing God's love really is. When we know God's love, we can't keep it inside. Let's celebrate the joy that comes from knowing Jesus. God's love fills our hearts and makes us want to move and sing.

SONG: "Need Your Love" Dance Motion, Lyric or Instrumental Lyric Videos are available for free with Amazing Music on APlay until January 1, 2026.

"Wow, you sounded amazing! That song reminds us that God's love is powerful. When we feel His love, it changes us and fills us with joy. Our next song reminds us that we don't keep that love hidden. We get to let it shine so that everyone can see what God's love looks like in our lives. Let's sing!

SONG: "Jesus We Love You" Dance Motion, Lyric or Instrumental Lyric Videos are available for free with Amazing Music on APlay until January 1, 2026.

SONG: "How He Loves" Dance Motion, Lyric or Instrumental Lyric Videos are available for free with Amazing Music on APlay until January 1, 2026.

3 min

OPTION 2 (Orange Kids Music)

What You Need

No supplies needed

WORSHIP LEADER: "Hi, everyone! It's time to get up on our feet and worship Jesus!

"When we sing, we're not just singing words. We're showing our love for God and thanking Him for how much He loves us.

"Let's start by singing a song that reminds us how amazing God's love really is. When we know God's love, we can't keep it inside. Let's celebrate the joy that comes from knowing Jesus. God's love fills our hearts and makes us want to move and sing. Let's show that we can't contain it!

SONG: "*Can't Contain It*" from *Live It Out* available on store.thinkorange.com

"Wow, you sounded amazing! That song reminds us that God's love is powerful. When we feel His love, it changes us and fills us with joy. Our next song reminds us that we don't keep that love hidden. We get to let it shine so that everyone can see what God's love looks like in our lives. Let's sing!

SONG: "*Live Your Love*" from *Can't Stop, Won't Stop* available on store.thinkorange.com

5 min

Memory Verse

What You Need

No supplies needed

"You did such a great job singing and shining! Let's take a minute to remember the verse we've been learning all month long. These are words that Jesus Himself spoke. He gave an amazing command—something that would show the world what His love looks like.

"This month's Memory Verse is *John 13:34*! I'll read it, and then we can say it together!

SLIDE: Memory Verse

"*I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you.* —*John 13:34*"

"Let's say it together!"

KIDS AND WORSHIP LEADER: "*I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you.* —*John 13:34*"

"That verse reminds us of something really important. Jesus didn't just tell people He loved them. He showed love by helping others, forgiving, and giving His life for us. When we love others the same way, we're showing people what Jesus is like. That's what it means to follow Him. So remember, this week you can love others by stopping to help, by being kind, or by including someone who feels left out. That's how you can share the love of Jesus every single day!"

24 min

Bible Story (Video)

12 min

StoryLab Bible Story | Video

What You Need

No supplies needed

12 min

So and So Show Bible Story | Video

What You Need

No supplies needed

33 min

Bible Story (Live)

3 min

INTRODUCTION

What You Need

No supplies needed

Make sure the table is set on stage so the Storyteller can place their Bible on it and read from it. A large piece of cloth for the biblical-style hood for the kid who is playing Jairus, a cloth to carry for the girl who is playing the sick woman, and a small doll for the girl playing Jairus' daughter to carry.

STORYTELLER: "I'm so excited to be here with you learning about God together! How amazing!"

"For this month, we've been talking about our theme of 'Like and Subscribe: Share the Love of God.' Because when you find something awesome online, you 'like' it and you 'subscribe' to it because you don't want to miss a second of it! And you share it with your friends and family so they can experience the awesomeness too!"

"This month we've been talking about the great, great love of God, and you definitely don't want to miss a second of that either! This week, we're going to look at how Jesus stopped what He was doing—and what the Savior is doing is always important—to help some people who were in need. Jesus is so loving and kind and good."

"But before we get into our true story from the Bible, let me tell you about something that we've been doing this whole year since August! We're going through key stories in the Bible from cover to cover!"

"But are we going through the Bible just so we'll learn the awesome stories in the Bible? Not exactly! One of the reasons God gave us the Bible is so that we can get to know Him. He wants us to be His friends! So as we go through the Bible this year, our hope is that we learn about Him."

5 min

GOD'S BIG STORY OPENER (OPTIONAL)

What You Need

No supplies needed

STORYTELLER: "We're going to go through God's Big Story in the Bible together so we can learn about God! (Gesture to slide.)

SLIDE: *God's Big Story*

"Let me catch you up on where we've been in God's Big Story so far!

"You might remember that, in the beginning, God created everything. He made the world, the animals, people ... everything! God made the first people for the same reason He made all people—to be His close, close friends. But sadly, the first people God made chose to turn away from Him and sin. God wanted people to be close to Him, but they couldn't anymore. Pain, sickness, and death entered the world too.

"But God didn't want to leave things that way. So He put His rescue plan in motion right from the start!

"God was going to rescue everything through a family! God chose a man named Abraham and promised that his family would bless the whole world. Abraham had a great-grandson named Joseph, who became a leader in Egypt and saved his family—God's people. Over time, God's people grew but were enslaved by a new Pharaoh. 'Help us!' they cried out to God. God freed His people and brought them to the super-nice home He had designed for them, the Promised Land.

"After God's people were settled in the Promised Land, they disobeyed God—again and again and again. Even the kings God gave them rebelled! So, God split the nation in two—into the northern kingdom of Israel and the southern kingdom of Judah. Prophets spoke for God saying, 'Come back to Me!' But the northern kingdom of Israel was destroyed, and the southern kingdom of Judah was taken captive. Oh no! After years in exile, some of God's people returned to rebuild their homeland, while others stayed in foreign lands.

"During that sad time, God kept sending messages to His people about the Rescuer He had promised long ago. 'God's Rescuer is going to come like this!' the prophets said. But for years and years, nothing happened.

"And then it did! God sent Jesus, the Rescuer we needed, just like He promised! While Jesus was on Earth, He showed us who God is because He is God!

"And that's where we are in God's Big Story!"

5 min

SETTING UP THE STORY

What You Need

No supplies needed

STORYTELLER: "We're going to continue right along in our journey through the Bible. We're at the part of the Bible where Jesus Himself came so that we could see who God is and what He is like. Today, we're going to look at a story where Jesus, the Savior of the world, stopped what He was doing to help a couple of people.

"Okay, I'm sure this is a lot of you, but have any of you ever been in a hurry, and someone stopped you to ask for help? Maybe you were on your way to school, and your mom asked you to help get your younger sibling ready to go to school as well. Or maybe you were almost done with a video game, and your friend called needing help. What did you do?

"Sometimes we get busy doing our own thing, we get wrapped up in what's going on, or we don't have enough time. But not Jesus. Jesus never missed a chance to stop and show love to people who needed help.

"Today's story shows a time when Jesus did just that. I'll need some helpers to tell our story! I need three volunteers. If you want to help me tell the story, raise your hand!

Choose three volunteers, two girls and one boy, from the kids whose hands are raised. Invite them to come on stage with you. Give the boy a large piece of cloth to wear on his head like a biblical-style hood as Jairus, the first girl a cloth to carry as the sick woman, and a small doll for the second girl to carry as Jairus's daughter.

"Each of you will have something to remind us of each stop on Jesus' journey today. [Kid 1], you'll be playing Jairus, and you will have this biblical-style hood on your head. [Kid 2], you'll be playing a woman who was sick, so you'll be carrying this cloth, And [Kid 3], you'll be playing Jairus's sick daughter, and you can hold this baby doll.

"Now, everyone else, you have an important job too! Every time I direct you, I want you to say our Bottom Line loud and strong.

[Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need!"

"Let's try it!

KIDS: [Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need!"

STORYTELLER: "Perfect! Let's go on the journey!"

5 min

JESUS MAKES TIME FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED HELP

What You Need

No supplies needed

Move to the first kid (Jairus).

STORYTELLER: "Our journey begins near the water, where Jesus has just gotten off a boat. Before He could even rest, a huge crowd surrounded Him. People were shouting, cheering, and hoping Jesus would notice them.

"But one man came with the crowd. His name was Jairus, and he was a very important leader in the synagogue, where people went to worship God. Jairus fell to his knees right in front of Jesus. He didn't care that everyone was watching. He didn't care that he was supposed to be important. His daughter was dying, and he was desperate for help. Jairus begged Jesus for help, and Jesus didn't hesitate.

Open the Bible to Mark 5:23-24 (NIV) and read.

He begged Jesus, "Please come. My little daughter is dying. Place your hands on her to heal her. Then she will live." So Jesus went with him.

"Jesus didn't say, 'Sorry, I'm busy' or 'Maybe later.' Jesus stopped what He was doing and went with Jairus right away.

"That shows us something important: Jesus makes time for people who need help. It doesn't matter how busy He is, He's never too busy for you.

"Let's say our Bottom Line together!"

KIDS AND STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need!"

5 min

JESUS LOVES PEOPLE WHO OTHERS OVERLOOK

What You Need

No supplies needed

Move to the girl who is holding the cloth.

STORYTELLER: "As Jesus and Jairus walked toward his house, the crowd followed close behind. People were pushing, shouting, and trying to get near Jesus. But in that crowd was a woman who had been very sick for twelve years.

Open the Bible to Mark 5:25-28 (NIV) and read.

A woman was there who had a sickness that made her bleed. It had lasted for 12 years. She had suffered a great deal, even though she had gone to many doctors. She had spent all the money she had. But she was getting worse, not better. Then she heard about Jesus. She came up behind him in the crowd and touched his clothes. She thought, "I just need to touch his clothes. Then I will be healed."

"Her sickness made her weak, tired, and completely alone. People didn't want to be around her because she was considered 'unclean.'

"But when she heard Jesus was coming, something inside her said, 'If I can just touch His clothes, I'll be healed.' She didn't even need to talk to Him, she just wanted to be near Him."

Open the Bible to Mark 5:29-30 (NIV) and read.

Right away her bleeding stopped. She felt in her body that her suffering was over.

At once Jesus knew that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd. He asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

"His disciples were confused. They said, 'Jesus, everyone's bumping into You! How can You ask that?' But Jesus knew something had happened, He knew someone had been healed. The woman was scared. She thought she might get in trouble. But she came forward, fell at Jesus' feet, and told Him everything.

"And Jesus looked right at her with kindness in His eyes and said:

Open the Bible to Mark 5:34 (NIV) and read.

"Dear woman, your faith has healed you. Go in peace. You are free from your suffering."

"The woman had been an outcast to everyone else, but not to Jesus.

"Jesus loves people others overlook. And when we follow Him, we can do the same thing, by noticing people who are sad, left out, or hurting.

"Let's say our Bottom Line together again!"

KIDS AND STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need!"

5 min

JESUS' LOVE BRINGS HOPE TO EVERYONE

What You Need

No supplies needed

Move to the girl holding the baby doll.

STORYTELLER: "While Jesus was still talking to the woman, some people came from Jairus's house. They said, 'It's too late. Your daughter has died.'

"Everyone stopped. Jairus must have felt like his heart was breaking in two. But Jesus turned to him and said something powerful.

Open the Bible to Mark 5:36 (NIV) and read.

Jesus told the synagogue leader, "Don't be afraid. Just believe."

"Even when everyone else said it was too late, Jesus told Jairus to keep believing.

"When Jesus arrived at Jairus's house, there were people crying and wailing. But Jesus went inside and said:

Open the Bible to Mark 5:30 (NIV) and read.

"Why all this confusion and sobbing? The child is not dead, she's only sleeping."

"The people laughed, they didn't believe Him. The Bible says:

Open the Bible to Mark 5:40-42 (NIV) and read.

He made them all go outside. He took only the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him. And he went in where the child was. He took her by the hand. Then he said to her, "Talitha koum!" This means, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!" The girl was 12 years old. Right away she stood up and began to walk around. They were totally amazed at this.

"Jesus didn't just make the girl better, He brought her back to life!

"That's what Jesus' love does—it brings hope where there is sadness, joy where there is pain, and life where there is loss.

"Thank you, helpers, you guys did a great job! You can give me back your props, and you can have a seat.

Lead the applause as the kids return to their seats.

"Let's say our Bottom Line one more time!"

SLIDE: Bottom Line

KIDS AND STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need!"

STORYTELLER: [Host's name], join in with us!"

Host enters and joins in.

KIDS, STORYTELLER, AND HOST: [Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need."

5 min

GOD'S BIG STORY CLOSER (OPTIONAL)

What You Need

No supplies needed

HOST: "Let's take a look at the progress we made in God's Big Story this week!"

SLIDE: God's Big Story

"This week, we're up here in the part of this picture of God's Big Story—the picture that says, 'Jesus' Life.' Jesus Himself came to teach us about who God is!

"This week, we looked at two interactions Jesus had with people who needed His help. If we zoom out to look at God's Big Story, God spent so much time in His Big Story preparing for Jesus to be on earth. (*Gesture to timeline.*) It was so important for Jesus to come. One of the reasons it was so important for Jesus to come is that Jesus shows us exactly who God is because He is God. So when Jesus went throughout our broken world, again and again, He fixed what was broken—like He did in our story today. And then, after years of fixing what was broken, Jesus died on a cross, and when He did, He fixed our biggest brokenness: the sin that was keeping us all from being God's close friends. God is in the business of fixing brokenness. While He was on earth, Jesus fixed broken bodies and broken lives. And then, on the cross, God declared

loud and clear: 'I'm fixing something else that's broken too.' Our God loves us so, so much!

"Let's put the next image on our timeline!"

SLIDE: Week 4 Timeline Image

If you're making a timeline of printed images on your wall, take this moment to place today's Timeline Image on the clothesline.

"This week we learned how Jesus always had time to stop and show compassion to people in need, like the suffering woman and Jairus's daughter.

8 min

Closing

5 min

WHAT'S OUR PART IN THE STORY?

What You Need

No supplies needed

HOST: "Wow. What an incredible journey with Jesus!

"In our story, two completely different people needed help, and Jesus had time and love for both of them.

"He helped Jairus, a respected leader who begged for his daughter's life. He helped a woman who was sick and alone. And He showed love and power to a little girl whom everyone thought was gone.

"Jesus didn't see interruptions. He saw people. He didn't see problems. He saw people who mattered. That's who Jesus is: He always shows love to people in need. And that's who we can be when we follow Him. Jesus saw people who were hurting, stopped what He was doing, and showed them love. And you can do that too!

"When someone needs help, don't rush by, you can stop and show love. When someone's left out, invite them in. When someone's hurting, comfort them. Because every time you do, you're showing the world what Jesus is like.

"Let's say our Bottom Line together one more time!"

SLIDE: Bottom Line

KIDS AND STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] "Jesus shows love to people in need!"

STORYTELLER: "Yes! That's what Jesus did—and that's what we can do too."

3 min

PRAYER

What You Need

No supplies needed

STORYTELLER or HOST: "Let's talk to the God who loves us so much.

"Jesus, thank You that You always stop for us. Thank You for showing Your great love by pausing Your day to meet the needs of people like the woman and Jairus's daughter. Help us to have the faith to reach out and ask for Your help, and give us the eyes to see the needs of the people around us. Give us the willingness to pause what we're doing and show Your love by helping others. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

Dismiss kids to their small groups

Supplies

OPENER

Quantity

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| 1. | Hula Hoops | 2 |
| 2. | Floor tape | 1 |