

# 3-5s | W4

## Small Group (15 minutes)

### Social: Providing time for fun interaction

The Bible Teaches  
Little Shirts, Big Love!  
Dress-Up

## Large Group (20 minutes)

### Worship: Inviting people to respond to God

### Story: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

Worship  
Bible Story  
Prayer

## Small Group (25 minutes)

### Groups: Creating a safe place to connect

Bible Bookmark  
Bible Stickers  
Greeting Cards  
Mega-Tunnel  
Reading the Bible  
Journal and Prayer

## Home: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home  
Memory Verse Card  
Parent Cue Card (print or email)  
Parent Cue App and ParentCue.org

## \*Allergy Alert



## Bible Story

Tabitha and Timothy • Acts 9:36-39; 1 Timothy 4:12 | I can live for God.

## Key Question

What does the Bible teach you?

## Bottom Line

The Bible teaches me the best things.

## Memory Verse

"Your word is truth" (John 17:17 NIV).

5 min

# Social

5 min

## The Bible Teaches | Made to Move

### What You Need

No supplies needed

### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Gather kids and sit in a circle in an open activity area.

*During the Activity:* Play a game similar to Duck, Duck, Goose with the following words. Show them you will walk around on the outside of the circle and say, "The Bible teaches (touch a child's head), The Bible teaches (touch a child's head), The Bible teaches [child's name] (touch child's head) the best things!

You and the child's name you said will hold hands and run around the outside of the circle until they are back at their spot. Continue until everyone has had a chance to run around the circle and had their name called.

*After the Activity:* Introduce the Bible Story.

### EveryChild Tips:

- Play this game with everyone sitting in a chair.

### What You Say:









*Before the Activity:* "Friends, come sit in a circle on the floor with me."

*During the Activity:* "'Great job sitting in a circle. I have a game for us to play. I'm going to walk around and tap you on your head and say, 'The Bible teaches, the Bible teaches, the Bible teaches...' and if I touch your head and say your name, I want you to stand up. Then you and I will hold hands and run around the circle together until we get back to your spot! Isn't that going to be fun! Here we go! The Bible teaches(*tap head*), the Bible teaches(*tap head.*), the Bible teaches [child's name] (*tap head.*) the best things! [Child's name], stand up and hold my hand. Let's run around the circle together. (*Pause.*) Okay, sit back down, and I'm going to tap again. The Bible teaches (*tap head.*), the Bible teaches (*tap head.*), the Bible teaches [child's name] (*tap head.*) the best things! [Child's name], stand up and hold my hand. Let's run around the circle together. (*Pause.*) Great job! Sit back down.(*Continue with each child.*) That was so much fun, I loved getting to play that game with you."

*After the Activity:* "Today, in our Bible Story, we'll hear all about ways we can live for God."

## Reading the Bible | Made to Create

### What You Need

	"Reading the Bible" Activity Page	1
	Cardstock	1
	Crayons	Several
	Glue sticks	Several
	Scissors	1
	Permanent Marker	1
	Adaptive crayons (Optional)	Several
	Jumbo glue sticks (Optional)	Several

### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Copy "Reading the Bible" on cardstock and cut one set per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to color their paper and glue their picture in place. Fold the Bible cutout along the lines. Help children glue the tabs on the Bible cutout to their paper.

*After the Activity:* Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

#### EveryChild Tips:

- Provide adaptive crayons and jumbo glue sticks.

### What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* "I have a very special picture for you to make today—it's a picture of YOU!"





*During the Activity:* "Color your paper. (Pause.) Great! (Bend the two tabs on the Bible in.) Rub some glue on the two tabs and attach it to your paper. (Pause) Look how cool your picture is. It's you! You're reading the Bible!"

*After the Activity:* "Today we learned about Tabitha, who lived for God by making clothes for people, and Timothy, who lived for God by teaching others about God, and showed others how to love like Jesus. There are so many different ways that we can live for God every day and everywhere! Isn't that the best? The Bible has God's words in it, and it teaches us the BEST things! **What does the Bible teach you? [Bottom Line] The Bible teaches me the best things."**

5 min

## Journal and Prayer | Made to Reflect

### What You Need

 Bible	1
 Journal	1
 Fun-shaped pen	1
 Hand stamp or reward stickers	Several

### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Move to your Small Group area while pretending to read your Bible.

*During the Activity:* Review the Bible Story and Memory Verse Hand Motions. Then, encourage the children to help you make a list in the journal of ways we can help people.

*After the Activity:* Pray with children using the list you made in the journal.

### What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* "It's Small Group time! Today, let's open our hands like a book and pretend we are reading our Bibles while we move to our Small Group spot. Follow me! (*Open your hands like a book and hold them like this as you lead the children to your Small Group spot.*) That was fun! You can sit down so we can talk about today's Bible Story. One, two, three, sit down with me!"

*During the Activity:* "In our Bible Story today, we learned that Timothy and Tabitha lived for God. Tabitha helped people by making clothes for people who needed them, and Timothy was young, and he taught people about God. The Bible teaches us that WE can live for God too!"

"We're learning a Bible verse to help us remember that the Bible is true and the Bible teaches us the best things! It says, 'Your (*point up*) word (*open hands like a book*) is truth,' (*move index finger forward from mouth*) John 17:17 (*open hands like a book*). Let's stand up and say that all together. 'Your (*point up*) word (*open hands like a book*) is truth,' (*move index finger forward from mouth*) John 17:17 (*open hands like a book*). Great job! I'm so glad we have the Bible to teach us the best things! **What does the Bible teach you? [Bottom Line] The Bible teaches me the best things.**"

"Now let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Open journal.*) Since Tabitha lived for God by helping people, let's make a list of ways that we can help people. When I say your name, tell me one way you can help people, and I will write it down beside your name." (*Remember to print as you write in the journal, so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)

*After the Activity:* "This is a great list of ways we can help people and live for God! (*Hold up journal.*) Let's pray and talk to God now. Would anyone like to pray before I pray? (*Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.*) Dear God, thank You for giving us the Bible so we can learn the best things. Please help us to live for You by helping! Please help us be big helpers by (*read the list the children made*). We want to live for You God! In Jesus' name. Amen."