

Today's Suggested Schedule—September 2025, Week 2

Today's Bible Story: I can trust God's plans.

Baby Moses • *Exodus 2:1-10*

Memory Verse: “For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord.” Jeremiah 29:11 NLT

Key Question: Who has plans for you?

Bottom Line: God has plans for me.

Supplies NOT included in the Activity Bags

SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Weaving

- Laundry basket
- Scarves

GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Memory Verse Activity-Grass Hop

- Floor tape

Bible Story Review- Story Song

Craft- Moses in the Grass

- Gluesticks
- crayons

SOCIAL: Providing Time for Fun Interaction (15 minutes)

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1. Weaving



What You Need: Laundry baskets, and scarves *Inclusive Optional Supplies: Spring-loaded clothespins*

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Set the baskets and scarves on the table.

During the Activity: Model how to weave the scarves through the holes in the basket. Encourage children to weaving the scarves through all the holes in the basket. Repeat as desired.

After the Activity: Introduce the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "It's great to see you today! Come sit with me at the table. I have a fun activity for us to do with the scarves and these baskets."

During the Activity: "We are going to weave all these beautiful colored scarves through the holes in the baskets like this. (*Demonstrate.*) I push one end of the scarf into a hole, then pull it through the hole next to it. You can reach down into the basket to help you get the scarves through each hole. Give it a try! Let's see if we can make the scarves go through all the holes. (*Pause.*) You are doing a great job! Keep going! (*Pause.*) Wow! You did it! Look how nice the basket is now!"

After the Activity: "That was fun weaving the basket. Today we're going to hear a true story from the Bible about a mother who made a basket to put her baby in! Let's go hear more about it!"

Inclusive Pro-Tips:

- Secure a clothespin to the corner of each scarf to give children something to grasp to aid in moving the scarf through each opening.

Transition: Move to Worship and Story by pretending to weave a scarf in and out with your hand all the way to your designated area.

GROUPS: Creating a Safe Place to Connect (25 minutes)

1. Memory Verse Activity- Grass Hop

What You Need:

- Green construction paper cut into grass pieces
- Floor tape
- *Inclusive Optional Supplies: Beanbag*

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Cut construction paper in the shape of patches of grass, one per child and leader. Space out on the floor and secure with Contact paper. Do the motions as you say the Memory Verse together.

During the Activity: Invite children to stand on one of the "grass" pieces. Say the Memory Verse together as the children jump from "grass" patch to "grass" patch. Repeat the verse each time they jump. Repeat as desired.

After the Activity: Connect the Memory Verse to the Bottom Line.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Come join me over here at the tall, tall grass. (*Point.*) Let's say our Memory Verse together as we do the motions. Everyone ready? Here we go! "For I know (*touch head with fingertips*) the plans I have for you,' (*march*) says the Lord," (*point up*) Jeremiah 29:11. (*Open hands like a book*) Great job, everyone!"

During the Activity: "Today, we heard about how Moses' mom trusted God and kept him safe in the tall grass by the river. Now, we're going to have some fun jumping from 'grass to grass' while we say our special verse! Find a patch of grass to stand on. (*Pause.*) When I say part of our Memory Verse, jump to the next grass patch! Let's all move in this direction. (*Point.*) Ready? "For I know. Everyone jump! (*Pause.*) The plans I have for you.' Everyone jump! (*Pause.*) Says the Lord." Everyone jump! (*Pause.*) Jeremiah 29:11. Everyone jump! (*Pause.*) Wow! Let's keep going! (*Repeat as desired.*) Great job!"

After the Activity: "Moses' mom put him in a basket and hid him in the tall grass to keep him safe. She trusted God and knew that God had plans for her and for Moses. Our Memory Verse tells us that God has plans for us. That's right, God had plans for Moses and God has plans for you and you, and you, and me! **Who has plans for you? [Bottom Line] God has plans for me!**"

Inclusive Pro-Tips:

- For a version with less movement, invite children to sit in a circle around the patches of grass.
- Give one child a bean bag and encourage them to toss it to a patch of grass and say the Memory Verse together. Repeat with each child.
- If using this version, adjust wording in What You Say section accordingly.

2. Bible Story Review- Story Song

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Gather the children around you in a circle.

During the Activity: Lead children in singing the story song while doing the motions together.

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

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Come stand with me everyone! We are going to sing a song about today’s Bible Story!”

During the Activity: “Listen with your ears (*touch ears*) and watch me with your eyes (*point to eyes*), so you can say what I say and do what I do.

(Sing the following story words to the tune of “Down By the Bay.” This is an echo song, so the children will repeat each sentence after you say it.)

“Down by the river where the tall grass grows baby Moses’ mommy made a basket just so.	<i>(make a wave motion with hands) (holds hands up high) (rock baby in arms)</i>
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“She put Moses in the basket where the tall grass grows and hid baby Moses where no one would know.	<i>(rock baby in arms) (holds hands up high) (crouch down with arms over head)</i>
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“Miriam watched baby Moses where the tall grass grows. Pharaoh’s daughter found baby Moses and she loved him so.	<i>(hold flat hand over eyes) (holds hands up high) (rock baby in arms) (hug yourself)</i>
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“God had plans for baby Moses where the tall grass grows. [Bottom Line] God has plans for me. [Basic Truth] God loves me so!”	<i>(rock baby in arms) (holds hands up high) (thumbs to chest) (hug yourself)</i>
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After the Activity: “Thank You, God! God had plans for Moses, and God has plans for you too! **Who has plans for you? [Bottom Line] God has plans for me!”**

3. Craft- Moses in the Grass

What You Need:

- “Moses
- green construction paper pieces
- glue sticks
- baby wipes
- a permanent marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Write each child’s name on their piece of paper.

During the Activity: Encourage children to color Baby Moses. Then glue “grass” (green paper) around Baby Moses.. Clean hands as needed.

After the Activity: Review the Bible Story and Bottom Line.

What You Say:

“Friends, come sit at the table with me and let’s create some story art.”

“Today we heard a story from the Bible about a baby named Moses. He was an Israelite, one of God’s people. Moses’ mom wanted to keep him safe from the mean king who wanted to hurt all the baby Israelite boys. She made a basket, put Moses in it, and hid him in the tall grass by the river. Pharaoh’s daughter found Moses and decided to keep him safe. Miriam, Moses’ sister, told the princess that she knew someone that could help take care of him. That was Moses’ mom. She trusted God and knew God had plans for her and Moses. God had plans for Moses, and God has plans for you, too! **Who has plans for you? [Bottom Line] God has plans for me.**”