

# **Preschool Leader Guide**

January 4-2s & 3s

**Monthly Theme:** God Takes Care of Me

Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Is Always Good

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# **Craft/Game:**

Preschoolers will work together to make a banner highlighting the Theme, Every Day and Every Way.

**Big Goal:** Be a part of a team.

**Leader Prep:** Cut a piece of butcher paper to use as a banner. Write *Every Day and Every Way* in large letters in the center of the banner.

#### **Supplies:**

Butcher paper 1 per group

Adult scissors 1 per group

Markers or crayons Several per child

#### **Craft Instructions:**

- 1. Before the session, cut a piece of butcher paper to use as a banner. Write *Every Day and Every Way* in large letters in the center of the butcher paper.
- 2. Give each preschooler markers or crayons.
- 3. Invite preschoolers to decorate the banner by drawing things that they like to do every day.

Script: Hello, everyone! It is great to see you today! We are going to work as a team to decorate a banner to hang in our room. It says *Every Day and Every Way*. Let's say, "Every day," together. "Every day." Now let's say, "Every way," together. "Every way." Great job! Our Theme today is *Every Day and Every Way*, so we are going to draw some things we like to do every day on our banner. It can be things like playing with your toys, playing outside, helping your grown-ups, seeing your brothers or sisters, or taking your dog for a walk. Team, are you ready to draw? (*Allow responses*.) Let's do it!

We made such a great banner together! Way to go, team! Let's say, "Go team!" together. Ready? "Go team!" Good! Every time we see our banner, we can remember how we worked as a team to decorate it. It looks so much better because we did it together.

### **Activity:**

Preschoolers will respond to statements by standing up or sitting down to help them learn their friends' likes and dislikes.

**Big Goal:** Find something in common.

Script: Today is going to be a fun day! Before we get started, I want us to do an activity called "Stand Up! Sit Down!" What is it called? (Stand Up! Sit Down!) Good! We are going to learn more about each other and see what we have in common with our friends. When we have something in common, it means we like the same things. I will say something like, "If you like

red, stand up! If you like blue, sit down." Based on what you like most, you will either stand up or sit down. Then we will count how many people are standing up and sitting down. Are you ready to play? (Allow responses.)

(Use some of the following statements or create your own:)

If you like the color green, stand up! If you like the color orange more, sit down!

If you like chicken nuggets, stand up! If you like pizza more, sit down!

If you like to run, stand up! If you like to skip more, sit down!

If you like to draw pictures, stand up! If you would rather look at a picture book, sit down!

We have so many things in common, and it was fun to learn what we all enjoy. There are things that we all like, which are things we have in common, and things we like that are different. No matter what things we like, we all belong and are a part of our team.

## **Countdown Video:**

Play Countdown Video

### **Welcome Video:**

Play Welcome Video

### **Music Video:**

Script: (Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.) 5-4-3-2-1! Hello, everyone! I am so glad you are here! Can I get a big hello from you? I'll go first, and then I want you to give me your loudest hello! Hello! Now it's your turn! (Hello!) Good! Now I want you to turn to a friend and give them a big high five! (Allow time for preschoolers to pass out high fives.)

Awesome! Our Theme today is Every Day and Every Way! Let's say, "Every Day and Every Way!" together. "Every Day and Every Way!" Great! That means God takes care of us every day, and He takes care of us in every way.

We are going to sing our Theme song together! Let's sing about how God takes care of us. Ready?

Play Theme Song Video.

## **Super Clue & Bible Story Video:**

#### **Supplies:**

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Kindness Card" printable 1 per group

Kindness card 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

#### **Big Deal Motions:**

Every Day and Every Way! (Present your right hand with palm up, then your left hand with palm up.)

God Takes Care of Me! (Hug arms across your chest.)

Script: Today we are learning that **God is always good.** Let's say that together. Ready? **"God is always good."** God is good and kind, and He takes care of us every day. Each week we learn a Big Deal that helps us remember an important truth about God. I will show you some motions to go along with the Big Deal. Watch closely so you can do it too. Today's Big Deal is, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" Let's try it together. I'll say it first, and you can say it after me. (Use the motions above as you say the Big Deal.) Every Day and Every Way!) God Takes Care of Me! (God Takes Care of Me!) Isn't that super?

Wait! What was that sound? Did you hear that too? That can mean only one thing! That sound means we have a Super Clue in our Super Box. (Point to the Super Box.) I can't wait to see what today's Super Clue is! Our Super Clue connects to today's Big Deal, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" Are you ready to open the Super Box and see what our Super Clue is? (Allow responses.) Me too! Let's do it!

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable.)

Wow! Our Super Clue is a kindness card! It is nice to give a kindness card to a friend or someone in our family. A kindness card is a way that we can show someone we care about them. This kindness card is awesome, but I wonder how this connects to our Big Deal, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" Well, I'm not too sure, but I know who can help us. The Super Crew will know how a kindness card connects to our Big Deal. Let's send this Super Clue to our friends at the Clubhouse.

(Place Super Clue back in Super Box.)

We can count down and press the "Go" button to send the Super Clue to the Super Crew. When I say, "Go," I'll press the button on this Super Box. You can pretend to press the button by pressing one hand on top of the other, like this! (Hold one palm faceup and press the other palm to it facedown, like pressing a button.)

Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: (To screen) Thanks, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) Our Bible story was about how Jesus healed ten men with a skin disease. One of the men came back to thank Jesus for healing him. He celebrated what God had done. The man fell down at Jesus' feet and thanked Him. Jesus showed how He is good and kind by taking care of these men and healing them. **God is always good** and kind.

Our Super Clue is a kindness card. We can show kindness by giving a friend a kindness card. Jesus shows kindness to us, just like He did to the men in the story. **God is always good.** This means that God is always kind and takes care of us all the time. He never stops caring for us.

Let's say our Big Deal, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" together. I'll say it first, and you say it after me. Ready? Every Day and Every Way! (Every Day and Every Way!) God Takes Care of Me! (God Takes Care of Me!) Great job!

God is so good to take care of us. Let's say a prayer and talk and listen to God. We can thank Him for always being good and for taking care of us.

God, thank You for always being good. Thank You for taking care of us. Thank You for the story of the ten lepers and how it teaches us about Your kindness. In Jesus' name, amen.

### **Theme Verse Video:**

#### **Theme Verse Motions:**

Jesus Christ is the same (Point your pointer finger toward the sky.) yesterday, today, and forever. (Bring that hand down and pretend to slice something with your hand. Slice something in the middle with your left hand. Slice something to your left with your right hand.)

Hebrews 13:8 (Hold hands out like a book.)

Script: The Bible tells us about how God takes care of us. Our Theme verse is found in the Bible. Today's Theme verse is Hebrews 13:8. Let me open my Bible and show you where this verse is found. (Open Bible to Hebrews 13:8.) Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Can we make this even more fun? Let's watch a video to learn our Theme verse! Ready? Here we go!

Play Theme Verse Video.

Script: This verse reminds us that God takes care of us because He is always good. He loves us and wants to take care of us. God's care for us never changes. It is always the same—yesterday, today, and forever.

## **Activity Page:**

**Big Goal:** Provide an opportunity for connection.

**Leader Prep:** Print copies of the Activity Page for each child. Set out supplies.

#### **Supplies:**

Activity Page 1 per child Markers or crayons Several per child

**Script:** This activity page helps us remember some big things we've learned today. As you color and work on activities, talk to a friend about some of your favorite parts of our time together.

This activity sheet reminds us that Jesus healed the lepers. Jesus healed the lepers because He is good and kind. Today we have learned that **God is always good.** Every day and in every way, God is good, and He takes care of us.

### Room Refresh & Clean Up:

Script: Okay friends, it is time for us to clean up! Let's walk around the room and find objects and toys that are out of place. We need to see where they belong and put them back! Look at the pictures around the room to help. This is an important way to show our love for our church.

-Currently, you're welcome to keep a few key items out for children to play with while they wait for their parents to arrive. Our goal in building this into our Sunday morning routine/schedule is to ensure that our classrooms are refreshed and ready either for the next service or to close out our Sunday morning. We want to encourage and teach our little ones how to take care of the church and instill that value in their lives. This will also help our weekday volunteers in preparing the rooms for the next Sunday.

## Pick Up Time

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# **Preschool Leader Guide**

January 11-2s & 3s

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Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Is Always Powerful

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## **Craft/Game:**

Preschoolers will draw things they do during the day and at night.

Big Goal: Encourage preschoolers to help other preschoolers belong.

**Leader Prep:** Cut two pieces of butcher paper. Draw a sun on one and a moon on the other.

#### **Supplies:**

Butcher paper 2 per group

Adult scissors 1 per group

Markers or crayons Several per child

Script: I am so glad you are here today! We are going to make a craft called "Night and Day." What is it called? (Night and Day!) Great! On one piece of paper, we have a sun. On the other piece of paper, we have a moon. The sun reminds us of the day. Let's say, "Day," together. "Day." Good! The moon reminds us of night. Let's say, "Night," together. "Night." Great! On the paper with the sun, I want you to draw things you do in the daytime. On the paper with the moon, I want you to draw things you do at nighttime. Are you ready to draw? (Allow responses.) Let's start!

Today's Theme is *Every Day and Every Way*. Thinking about night and day reminds me of the part of our Theme that says *Every Day*. One thing we will talk about today is that God takes care of us. It does not matter if it is day or night—He takes care of us all day, every day! That is great news we can celebrate together.

# **Activity:**

Preschoolers will work together to find items of certain colors in the room.

**Big Goal:** Be a part of a team.

**Supplies:** 

Various classroom items Several

Script: Hi, everyone! Are you ready to have some fun? (Allow responses.) Let's go on a scavenger hunt around our room. Let's go on a what? (A scavenger hunt!) Great! I will name a color, and I want you to work together to find something in the room that is the color I name. When you find something, you can point to it if it is big or hold it up in the air if it is something you can easily pick up. Then I will call out another color, and we will play again!

It was so neat to see everyone working as a team to complete our scavenger hunt. We are going to have a great day today learning with our friends. I am so glad you are here.

## **Countdown Video:**

Play Countdown Video

### **Welcome Video:**

Play Welcome Video

### **Music Video:**

Script: (Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.) 5-4-3-2-1! It is so good to see your smiling faces today! We are going to do some warm-up movements to help us get ready. Our theme is Every Day and Every Way. This makes me think about the days of the week. Let's say them together. I will say a day of the week and clap, and you will say it after me and clap. Ready? Sunday (Clap hands.) (Sunday) (Clap hands.) Monday (Clap hands.) (Monday) (Clap hands.) Tuesday (Clap hands.) (Tuesday) (Clap hands.) Wednesday (Clap hands.) (Wednesday) (Clap hands.) Thursday (Clap hands.) (Thursday) (Clap hands.) Friday (Clap hands.) (Friday) (Clap hands.) Saturday (Clap hands.) (Saturday) (Clap hands.) Whew! That was great! Today we are going to learn about how God takes care of us every single day. He takes care of us all the time in every way.

Let's sing a song together! Singing is a great way to celebrate God. Let's stand up and sing our Theme song about how God takes care of us.

Play Theme Song Video.

# **Super Clue & Bible Story Video:**

#### **Supplies:**

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Solar System" printable 1 per group

Picture of the solar system or a small solar system model or toy 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

#### **Big Deal Motions:**

Every Day and Every Way! (Present your right hand with palm up, then your left hand with palm up.)

God Takes Care of Me! (Hug arms across your chest.)

Script: Today we are learning that **God is always powerful.** God is powerful means that God is strong and has no limits. God can take care of us because He is strong and powerful. Let's learn our Big Deal. Our Big Deal helps us remember an important truth about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" Because God is powerful, He is able to take care of us. God takes care of us in many ways. Let's say our Big Deal together. I'll say it first, and then you can say it after me. (Use motions as you say the Big Deal.) Every Day and Every Way! (Every Day and Every Way!) God Takes Care of Me! (God Takes Care of Me!) Isn't that super?

(Cup hands to ear.) Wait! Did you hear that sound? (Allow responses.) That sound lets us know there is a Super Clue in the Super Box! The Super Clue connects to our Big Deal, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" Let's see what's inside.

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable.)

Oh wow! It's the solar system! Do you know what the solar system is? (Allow responses.) Our solar system includes the sun and everything that travels around it, including eight different planets. (Point to Earth.) Our planet, Earth, is part of our solar system. This is so cool! I love that our Super Clue is the solar system. I wonder how the solar system connects to our Big Deal,

"Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" I know who can help us. Will you say, "The Super Crew," with me? "The Super Crew!" Let's send our Super Clue over to our friends at the Clubhouse and find out what they say. I'll put the Super Clue back in the Super Box, and we can send it over.

(Place Super Clue back in Super Box.)

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Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Story Video

Script: (To screen) Thanks, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story today, God showed His amazing power through Peter and healed a woman named Dorcas (DAWR kuhs). God can do all things and takes care of us because He is powerful.

Our Super Clue is the solar system. The solar system is big and shows us how powerful God is. Something that is so big and deep could only be made by a very big and powerful God. He controls everything by His power. He keeps the planets turning in the solar system, He controls the weather, and He takes care of you and me! He is there to help us and care for us. **God is always powerful!** 

Let's say a prayer to God. This means we are going to talk and listen to God. Let's get still so we can pray.

God, thank You for all of my friends here today. We have had so much fun learning about how You are powerful. Thank You for taking care of us and loving us. Amen.

### **Theme Verse Video:**

**Theme Verse Motions:** 

Jesus Christ is the same (Point your pointer finger toward the sky.) yesterday, today, and forever. (Bring that hand down and pretend to slice something with your hand. Slice something in the middle with your left hand. Slice something to your left with your right hand.)

Hebrews 13:8 (Hold hands out like a book.)

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Play Theme Verse Video.

**Script:** Our Theme verse tells us that Jesus is always the same. He is the same when good things are happening in life and when bad things are happening in life. He is always there to help us.

# **Activity Page:**

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#### **Supplies:**

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Markers or crayons Several per child

**Script:** This activity page helps us remember some big things we've learned today. As you color and work on activities, talk to a friend about some of your favorite parts of our time together.

Friends, I want you to remember that **God is always powerful.** God takes care of us because He is powerful and in control of all things. Because God is powerful, we can trust Him to take care of us.

# Room Refresh & Clean Up:

Script: Okay friends, it is time for us to clean up! Let's walk around the room and find objects and toys that are out of place. We need to see where they belong and put them back! Look at

the pictures around the room to help. This is an important way to show our love for our church.

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January 18-2s & 3s

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Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Can Always Be Trusted

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## **Craft/Game:**

Preschoolers will work together to create a town using blocks.

Big Goal: Be a part of a team.

#### **Supplies:**

**Blocks Several** 

**Script:** Hello, friends! Are you ready to have some fun? We are going to use blocks to build a town. I want you to work together to build and create different places you would find in a town. There are so many places to visit like a fire station, a hospital, a school, or a church. I can't wait to see everyone work together to build this town.

I loved seeing everyone work together to create this town. Working in a team can be so fun! Each of you helped in your own way. I hope you had fun. We have so much to do and learn. We will be learning about how God takes care of us. I am glad you are here today!

## **Activity:**

Preschoolers will learn friends' names as they greet them using fist bumps, high fives, and thumbs-up.

Big Goal: Learn a new name.

Script: I see so many smiling faces here today. That can only mean one thing—you are excited to be here! Let's do an activity that allows us to move around the room and meet new friends. This activity is called "Fist Bump, High Five, Thumbs-Up." Say, "Fist bump." (Fist bump!) Good! Now say, "High five." (High five!) Great! Now say, "Thumbs-up." (Thumbs-up!) Yeah! Before I explain what we will do, let's make sure we know what each of those things is. Show me your best fist bump. (Encourage preschoolers to gently fist bump each other.) Alright! Now show me your best high five. (Allow time for high fives.) Now I want to see a thumbs-up. (Lead preschoolers to give a thumbs-up.) I think you've got it! We are going to walk around the room and say hi to a friend by doing one of the three actions—a fist bump, a high five, or a thumbs-up. The person you go up to should respond with the same action back to you. Once you do the same action, you will each say your name. We can greet our friends and learn a few names. Are we ready? Let's get moving!

I had so much fun learning your names and seeing you doing your fist bumps, high fives, and thumbs-up! It is so good to see each of you here today. We are going to have so much fun learning about how God takes care of us.

## **Countdown Video:**

Play Countdown Video

## **Welcome Video:**

Play Welcome Video

## **Music Video:**

Script: (Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.) 5-4-3-2-1! Welcome, friends! It is so good to see you today! I am glad we get to spend some time together and learn about God. We have an exciting, fun-filled time ahead of us. Before we get started, I want us to get warmed up by getting our wiggles out and doing some fun moves. Let's start by moving our feet from side to side like we are skating on ice. You can move around the room while you are skating, but try not to bump into other skaters. (Allow time for movement.) Let's stop where we are and move our arms like a robot. I will show you my robot arms, and you try to do it too. (Demonstrate robot arms and allow time for movement.) Awesome! Let's do one last move. I want you to hop around the room like a rabbit or a frog. (Allow time for movement.) I think you are ready! You did such a great job warming up with our different moves. Let's all sit down in 3-2-1! (Encourage preschoolers to sit down.) Great job! Today we are talking about our Theme,

Every Day and Every Way! We are learning that God takes care of us every day, and He takes care of us in every way.

Let's stand up and sing our Theme song together. Singing is fun because we can celebrate God and how He takes care of us.

Play Theme Song Video.

# **Super Clue & Bible Story Video:**

#### **Supplies:**

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Bird on a Branch" printable 1 per group Artificial bird on a branch 1 per group (optional) Bible 1 per group

#### **Big Deal Motions:**

Every Day and Every Way! (Present your right hand with palm up, then your left hand with palm up.)

God Takes Care of Me! (Hug arms across your chest.)

Script: Today we are learning that **God can always be trusted.** *Trust* is believing that someone will do what he says he will do. God always keeps His promises and does what He says He will do. I am so glad we can trust God. One thing we can trust God to do is to take care of us. That reminds me of our Big Deal. A Big Deal teaches us an important truth about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" God takes care of us, and we can trust Him. Would you like to say the Big Deal with me? I'll say it first, and then you can say it after me. (*Use motions above as you say the Big Deal.*) Every Day and Every Way! (*Every Day and Every Way!*) God Takes Care of Me! (*God Takes Care of Me!*) Super job!

Did you hear that sound? (Allow responses.) You heard it too! That must mean we have a Super Clue waiting for us in the Super Box. Each week when we hear that sound, it means we have a new Super Clue. The Super Clue connects to the Big Deal. Remember, our Big Deal is, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" I wonder what our Super Clue could be. Let's take a look and see.

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable.

Today's Super Clue is a bird sitting on a branch. I wonder what a bird sitting on a branch has to do with today's Big Deal, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" I know some friends who can help us—the Super Crew! Let's send the Super Clue over to our friends at the Clubhouse and see what they can tell us about our Super Clue.

(Place Super Clue back in Super Box.)

We can count down and press the "Go" button to send the Super Clue to the Super Crew. When I say, "Go," I'll press the button on this Super Box. You can pretend to press the button by pressing one hand on top of the other, like this! (Hold one palm faceup and press the other palm to it facedown, like pressing a button.)

Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Verse Video.

(To screen) Awesome job, Super Crew!

**Script:** (To preschoolers) The Super Crew explained our Super Clue by telling us that when a bird is flying around and needs to rest, it will land on a branch. The bird trusts that the branch is sturdy and will hold it up. In the same way, we can trust God to always take care of us. He is a safe place, just like the branch is safe for the bird.

In today's Bible story, David trusted God to help him defeat Goliath. David knew God would help him because **God can always be trusted.** We can trust God and know that He will take care of us too. God always keeps His promises.

Let's talk to God and pray. We can bow our heads and close our eyes while we talk to God.

God, thank You for our time together. We are so thankful we can learn more about You. Thank You for showing us how You can always be trusted. Thank You for loving us and taking care of us. In Jesus' name, amen.

## **Theme Verse Video:**

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hand. Slice something in the middle with your left hand. Slice something to your left with your right hand.)

Hebrews 13:8 (Hold hands out like a book.)

**Script:** We can learn about how God takes care of us in the Bible. The Bible is God's Book. The Bible is true, and it's for you! Our Theme verse is from the book of Hebrews. Let me open my Bible and show you where this verse is found. (Open Bible to Hebrews 13:8.) Let's go back to the Clubhouse and learn more about this verse together!

Play Theme Verse Video.

**Script:** Great job! Our Theme verse tells us that Jesus is always the same. He never changes. He is the same when good things are happening in life and when bad things are happening in life. God is always there to help us, and we can always trust Him.

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# **Preschool Leader Guide**

January 25- 2s & 3s

**Monthly Theme:** God Takes Care of Me

Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Is Always with Me

\*Snack Time\* This can be done at any point during the hour except for within the last fifteen minutes in the classrooms to ensure that everything is able to be cleaned up and put away prior to parent pick up. Use your discretion as the classroom leader in choosing when to distribute snack to children.

\*Previews of all videos listed below can be found on the Teacher Resource Page in the corresponding digital media folder.

## **Welcome & Connect Time:**

Use this time to welcome children as they arrive! Introduce yourself, learn names, and help children learn their friends' names. Connect Time is an easy way to help a child feel included and part of the team right from the beginning. The purpose is to help kids meet other kids, connect with their leaders, and feel a part of the team. These "stations" are already found all around each preschool classroom. Building blocks, cars, baby dolls, or any of the other toys and manipulatives in the classrooms for kids to play with. Please feel free to pull out blank paper and writing/drawing materials as well as playdough and cookie cutters. All of these are available to you for use during this time. If you need any other items, please feel free to let Katie Grace or your hallway coordinator for the week know and they will work on next steps to secure those items for your room.

# **Craft/Game:**

Preschoolers will decorate squares of paper and glue them on a banner to make a paper "quilt."

Big Goal: Be seen, heard, and known by the group.

**Leader Prep:** Cut a large piece of butcher paper and place it on a tabletop or the floor. Secure the edges of the banner with tape. Cut sheets of copy paper into four squares, one square per child.

#### **Supplies:**

Butcher paper 1 per group
Painter's tape 1 per group
Markers or crayons Several
Adult scissors 1 per group
Glue sticks Several
Copy paper Several per group

#### **Craft Instructions:**

- Before the session, cut a large piece of butcher paper and place it on a tabletop or the floor.
   Secure the edges of the banner with tape. Cut copy paper into four squares, one square per child.
- 2. Give each preschooler a paper square, markers or crayons, and a glue stick.
- 3. Invite preschoolers to decorate and draw on their square.
- 4. Assist preschoolers in gluing their square to the banner to make a quilt.

Script: Hello, friends! My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and it is so good to see you here today. We are going to make a paper quilt together. What are we making together? (A quilt!) Great! A quilt is a blanket made of fabric squares. We can use a quilt when it is cold outside. You will get a paper square that you can decorate and draw on with markers or crayons. Then you can put glue on the back of it and press it to the banner to make our paper quilt. When we finish making our quilt, we can tell each other about what we drew. Ready? Let's draw!

Wow, we have so many artists here! Your squares look amazing, but when they are all put together to make a quilt they look even better! Everyone worked together to make something even better. Great job, everyone!

# **Activity:**

Preschoolers will have fun with their friends as they do silly animal movements around the room.

Big Goal: Celebrate every child.

Script: I see so many friendly faces here today. We have an exciting time planned. Let's get some wiggles out by playing "Animal Movements." What are we going to play? (Animal Movements!) Good! I will call out an animal, and I want you to move around the room like that animal. I will switch up the animal from time to time, so be listening for the animal I call out. I can't wait to see you all pretending to be some fun animals. Are you ready to play? Let's be ducks in 3-2-1 Go! (Use additional animals such as monkeys, butterflies, birds, frogs, cheetahs, and so on.)

We had so much fun moving around the room and doing silly animal movements. You all did a great job! Today we are going to learn about how God takes care of us. I am so glad you are here today.

## **Countdown Video:**

Play Countdown Video

## **Welcome Video:**

## **Music Video:**

Script: (Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.) 5-4-3-2-1! Hello, everyone! My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and it is so good to see you here today. Let's say hello to our friends around the room. I want you to look at a friend sitting close to you and say hello using your whisper voice. Are you ready? Make sure to whisper! 3-2-1 Go! (Say, "Hello," with a whisper.) Great! Now I want you to turn to another friend and say hello using a squeaky voice. Go! (Say, "Hello," in a squeaky voice.) Awesome! Find one more friend nearby, and I want you to say hello using your deep, deep voice. (Say, "Hello," in a deep voice.) Awesome! Today we are learning that God takes care of us every day, and He takes care of us in every way. That means that He takes care of all of our needs all the time. Let's say, "Every Day and Every Way!" together. Ready? "Every Day and Every Way!" Great job!

Let's stand up and sing our Theme song. Our Theme song talks about how God takes care of us.

Play Theme Song Video.

# **Super Clue & Bible Story Video:**

#### **Supplies:**

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Winter Coat" printable 1 per group Doll-sized winter coat 1 per group; optional Bible 1 per group

#### **Big Deal Motions:**

Every Day and Every Way! (Present your right hand with palm up, then your left hand with palm up.)

God Takes Care of Me! (Hug arms across your chest.)

Script: Today we are learning that **God** is always with me. God is with us every day in every way! That reminds me of our Big Deal. A Big Deal is a fun way to learn a truth about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" Let's say that together. I'll say it first, and then you can say it after me. (*Use motions above as you say the Big Deal.*) Every Day and Every Way! (Every Day and Every Way!) God Takes Care of Me! (God Takes Care of Me!) You did great! God takes care of us and is always with us. Isn't that super?

I think I hear something. Do you hear that? (Allow responses.) That means our Super Clue is in the Super Box. (Point to the Super Box.) Inside the Super Box we will find a Super Clue that will connect to our Big Deal, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" I can't wait to see what is inside. Let's take a look.

(Open the Super Box and pull out the physical Super Clue or Super Clue printable.)

Look! It is a winter coat! A winter coat? I have a winter coat that I wear whenever the weather gets cold. I wonder how a winter coat connects to our Big Deal, "Every Day and Every Way! God Takes Care of Me!" I know some friends who can help us. The Super Crew will know the answers—they always do! Let's send this Super Clue to our friends at the Clubhouse and see what they can tell us. Ready?

(Place the Super Clue back in the Super Box.)

We can count down and press the "Go" button to send the Super Clue to the Super Crew. When I say, "Go," I'll press the button on this Super Box. You can pretend to press the button by pressing one hand on top of the other, like this! (Hold one palm faceup and press the other palm to it facedown, like pressing a button.) Alright! Let's see what they say!

Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

Play Bible Story video.

Script: (*To screen*) Thanks, Super Crew, for helping us understand how our Super Clue connects to our Big Deal.

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story today, a man named Paul told the people who followed Jesus to put on the armor of God and to pray for God's people. God was with His people, and they could always talk and listen to Him anytime and anywhere through prayer. God is always with us, too, and we can talk and listen to God anytime through prayer.

Our Super Clue is a winter coat. When it's cold, we wear our winter coats everywhere we go. God is always with us. He cares about us and protects us wherever we go. I am so glad to know this winter coat can remind us of how God is always with us.

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Let's pray and talk and listen to God now. God always hears our prayers.

God, thank You for always being with us. Thank You for taking care of us and protecting us. Thank You that we can talk to You anytime and that You always hear our prayers. Amen.

## **Theme Verse Video:**

#### **Theme Verse Motions:**

Jesus Christ is the same (Point your pointer finger toward the sky.) yesterday, today, and forever. (Bring that hand down and pretend to slice something with your hand. Slice something in the middle with your left hand. Slice something to your left with your right hand.)

Hebrews 13:8 (Hold hands out like a book.)

Script: Today we are learning that God takes care of us. Today's Theme verse is Hebrews 13:8. Let me open my Bible and show you where this verse is found. (Open Bible to Hebrews 13:8.) Let's learn this verse together in 3-2-1!

Play Theme Verse Video.

Script: Perfect! Thanks for practicing our Theme verse! God will take care of us all the time. His love for us never changes. No matter what situation we are in or what is happening around us, Jesus is the same always. He never changes. He is the same when good things are happening in life and when bad things are happening in life. He is always there to help us. That is such great news!

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