

# **Preschool Leader Guide**

September 7- Pre-K & Kindergarten

**Monthly Theme: God Knows Me** 

Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Knows Every Detail

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## **Activity:**

Preschoolers will listen to different options and move to the corner that describes them.

Big Goal: Find something in common with one another.

**Leader Prep:** Tape a different color sheet of construction paper in four different areas of the room.

#### **Supplies:**

Red paper 1 per group
Blue paper 1 per group
Yellow paper 1 per group
Green paper 1 per group
Painter's tape 1 per group

Script: We are going to do a fun activity called "Four Corners." Let's count to four together, like this. (Demonstrate holding up your fingers as you count.) One, two, three, four! Let's all hold up our fingers as we count to four together. Ready? "One, two, three, four!" Great job! There are four different colors of paper in four different places in our room. I will call out four options, and when I say, "Ready, set, go," you will go to the corner that describes you best. Let's try one. If you have no brothers or sisters, go to red. If you have one brother or sister, go to blue. If you have two brothers or sisters, go to yellow. If you have more than three brothers or sisters, go to green. Ready, set, go! (Say all of the options, then say them again, allowing time for preschoolers to move between each description to avoid confusing them with the different options.) Wow! Look how many of you have something in common with your friends! Way to go! Let's play again.

*Use some of the following options or create your own:* 

Foods you like: pizza, macaroni and cheese, chicken nuggets, or hamburgers Kinds of stories you like: animal stories, princess stories, superhero stories, or stories about families

Desserts you like: cake, chocolate ice cream, vanilla ice cream, or cookies

Animals you like: dog, cat, horse, or dolphin

Activities you like: dancing, sliding on the slide, drawing a picture, or building with blocks

That was terrific. Great job! We are all so special and different, but we also have a lot in common with each other. Having something in common means that something is the same or similar. Let's be on the lookout for other fun things we have in common as we are together today.

## **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! My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am so glad to see you today! Let's get started by moving in different ways but staying in our spots. Let's all clap our hands above our heads like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Yeah! Now, let's clap our hands down near our toes like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Great job! Let's take our hands and clap all around from side to side like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Way to go! Clapping our hands up, down, and all around was so much fun. Our Theme today is Up, Down, All Around! (Do these motions as you say Up, Down, All Around. Place closed fists at head level. Bring them down to your chest. Roll hands over each other in a circular motion.) Let's say that together. Ready? "Up, Down, All Around!" Great work! We are learning that God knows us. God is everywhere—up, down, and all around—and that means He knows everything about us!

Our Theme song talks about how God is everywhere—up, down, and all around! Let's sing our Theme song together.

Play Theme Song Video.

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

#### **Supplies:**

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Feather" printable 1 per group

Feather 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

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

Up, Down, All Around! (Place closed fists at head level. Bring them down to your chest. Roll hands over each other in a circular motion.)

God Knows Me! (Tap each side of your temple with your pointer fingers three times.)

Script: We are learning that God knows us. He knows every detail about us. That's a big deal! Our Big Deal helps us learn something important about God and tells us that, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" (Do the motions as you say the Big Deal.) Let's say our Big Deal together. I will say it first, and you say it after me. Ready? Up, Down, All Around! (Up, Down, All Around!) God Knows Me! (God Knows Me!) Super job!

Did you hear that? (Allow responses.) That sound means there is a new Super Clue in our Super Box! The Super Clue connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Let's open the Super Box and see what is inside.

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

Wow! Our Super Clue is a feather. Feathers come from birds. Let's all say, "Feathers." Ready? (Feathers!) Raise your hand if you have ever seen a bird feather before. (Allow responses.) I wonder how a feather connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" I have an idea! We can send this Super Clue to our friends, the Super Crew. Everyone, say, "Super Crew!" Ready? "Super Crew!" The Super Crew can help us know how a feather connects to our Big Deal, "Up Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Are you ready to send our Super Clue to the Super Crew? Let's do it!

(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 will 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! (Host presses the Super Box button.)

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: (To screen) Amazing! Thanks so much, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story, Samuel thought he knew who the right king would be by looking at Jesse's sons on the outside, like how tall or strong he thought they were. But God told Samuel that He knew what was in someone's heart—what we think and feel on the inside. God knew what was in David's heart, and He knew that David was the right person to be the next king. Amazing! God knew every detail about David, and He knows every detail about us too! Every small detail about you is important to God. Let's say our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" together. Ready? "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Great job!

Our Super Clue, a feather, is made up of strands. When you look at it one way, it looks like one solid thing, but when you look at it up, down, and all around, you can see that it is made of lots of individual, tiny strands or pieces. You can see all of the details. We all have details about us too—details about what we look like on the outside and details about our thoughts and feelings on the inside. **God knows every detail** about us, and He loves us!

Let's pray and thank God for knowing every detail about us. *Praying* is talking and listening to God. Ready? Let's pray.

God, thank You so much for knowing every detail about us. Thank You for knowing our hearts and our feelings. Thank You for loving us very much. Amen.

### Game:

Preschoolers will listen as the leader describes a preschooler and guess who is being described. The guessed child will be the "king" or "queen."

Big Goal: Remember the Bible st	story.	
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**Supplies:** 

Script: Let's play a game called "Guess the King or Queen." Guess who? (The King or Queen!)
Great! I am going to choose a "king" or a "queen" from someone in our group. Then I will tell you about that person, and you will guess who it is. We will call them the king of that round.

Let's try it. The king is a boy. The king has short hair. The king is wearing a shirt that is the color \_\_\_\_\_. The king's name starts with the letter \_\_\_\_\_. Who is it? (Allow preschoolers to guess. Offer additional clues if needed to guess the correct child.) Great job! Our king is \_\_\_\_\_. The king will put on the crown and wear it until we guess who the new king or queen is. Let's play again! I will pick a new person to tell you about. Ready? (Play as long as time and interest allow.)

Wow! Playing "Guess the King or Queen" with you was so much fun! In our game, we looked for the person who was the king or queen by hearing details about them. *Details* are the things on the outside, like how we look, and the things on the inside, like our thoughts and feelings. In our Bible story, God sent Samuel to find a new king. Samuel listened to God and found the person God had chosen to be king. As Samuel met all of David's brothers, he may have thought what they looked like on the outside mattered most, but God looks at the inside—the thoughts and feelings we have. God knew everything about David, and God knows everything about us. That is so exciting! God knows all kinds of details about you, like how tall you are and what kinds of foods you like. God even knows the things going on inside of you. God knows everything about you, and He loves you and thinks you are special.

### **Theme Verse Video:**

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

The LORD (Raise hands up facing inward.) sees the heart. (Bring hands to your heart.)

1 Samuel 16:7c (Hold hands out like a book.)

Script: The Bible tells us that **God knows every detail** about us. He even knows the things going on inside us, like what we are thinking or feeling. Let's learn a verse from the Bible that helps us remember that God knows us. Our Theme verse is found in 1 Samuel. Let me show you where that verse is in the Bible. (Open the Bible to 1 Samuel 16:7. Point to the verse for preschoolers to see.) Let's watch a video to help us learn our Theme verse.

Play Theme Verse Video.

**Script:** Excellent job! People see the details on the outside of us, but God sees our hearts, the things we think and feel. **God knows every detail** about us and loves us.

### **Craft:**

Preschoolers will make a feather collage.

Big Goal: Remember the Super Clue and how it teaches us something important about God.

**Leader Prep:** Print "Feather Collage" printable, one per child, on cardstock.

#### **Supplies:**

"Feather Collage" printable 1 per child
Cardstock 1 per child
Feathers 14-16 per child
Glue sticks 1 per child
"Feather Collage Instructions & Example" printable 1 per group

#### **Craft Instructions:**

- 1. Before the session, print "Feather Collage" printables on cardstock, one per child. Place feathers on the table.
- 2. Give each child a "Feather Collage" crown outline and a glue stick.
- 3. Allow preschoolers to choose feathers to glue inside the crown outline on their papers.

Script: Today's Super Clue is a feather. What is it? (A feather!) Yes! Let's make a fun craft using our Super Clue to help us learn something important about God. We are making a feather collage in the shape of a crown. A feather what? (Collage!) Great job! A collage is a special kind of art where we glue different things on our papers. Each of you will get a piece of paper with the outline of a crown on it. There are also feathers on the table for you to use. (Hold a feather up for preschoolers to see.) You will take your glue, put a little bit on your paper inside the crown, and press the feather into the glue wherever you would like. As you make your collage, add as many feathers as you would like.

Your feather pictures are so beautiful, and I can see all the different details in the different feathers. Our Super Clue today is a feather. Feathers look like one solid shape from a distance. (Hold up a feather for preschoolers to see.) You might notice details or special things about the different feathers we are using, like size, shape, and color. (Pass a feather around for preschoolers to examine, pointing out the different strands and details. Invite them to look at it

up, down, and all around.) When you see a feather up close, you can tell that it is made up of many different strands or pieces, and it is incredibly detailed. Isn't that amazing? The next time you see a feather, remember that God knows everything about you. He knows you, and He loves you.

## 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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## **Pick Up Time:**

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# **Preschool Leader Guide**

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# **Activity:**

Preschoolers will follow the leader as they listen to a beat and then repeat it.

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

Script: Hey, everyone! My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and we are going to do a fun activity where we listen to a beat and then repeat it. (Touch your ears when you say listen, and point to your mouth when you say repeat.) Listen and repeat! Let's say that together. "Listen and repeat!" To get started, let's stand in a circle. When new friends come in, we can step back and make room for them to join us. Are you ready? You will have to look and listen so you can repeat the beat. Here we go! (Create a beat with two claps.) Can you repeat that beat as a team? Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Great job! Let's try another one. (Clap three times and then stomp two times.) Can you try that? (Allow responses.) Let's try one more. (Clap one time and do two thigh slaps.) Can you repeat that beat as a team? Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Good!

Way to go, team! We all worked together to create a beat and repeat it. We make a great team! Let's say that together. "We make a great team!" Our beat repeats sounded so much better because we worked as a team.

## **Countdown Video:**

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## **Music Video:**

Script: (Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.) 5-4-3-2-1! Welcome! My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and I am so glad to see you today! Let's do some movements that are up, down, and all around. Ready? Let's shake our heads up and down like this. (Demonstrate.) Great job! Now let's shake our heads all around like this. (Demonstrate.) Way to go! Now let's look up like this. (Demonstrate.) Good! Now let's look down like this. (Demonstrate.) Great! Now let's look all around like this. (Demonstrate.) You all did great! Today we are learning about how God knows us. God is everywhere—up, down, and all around—and that means He knows everything about us.

Let's sing our Theme song together about how God knows us up, down, and all around.

Play Theme Song Video.

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

#### **Supplies:**

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Picture of Friends" printable 1 per group

Bible 1 per group

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

Up, Down, All Around! (Place closed fists at head level. Bring them down to your chest. Roll hands over each other in a circular motion.)

God Knows Me! (Tap each side of your temple with your pointer fingers three times.)

Script: Today we are learning about how God knows everyone. Our Big Deal today reminds us that God knows everyone! Let's learn our Big Deal that teaches us something important about God. Today's Big Deal is, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" (Do the motions as you say the Big Deal.) Let's say it together. I will say it first, and you say it after me. Up, Down, All Around! (Up, Down, All Around!) God Knows Me! (God Knows Me!) Great! God knows you, and you, and you, and me! (Point out at groups of preschoolers as you say "you.") God knows everyone. Isn't that super?

Did you hear that? That sound means there is a Super Clue in our Super Box! The Super Clue connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" If you are ready to open the Super Box and see what is inside, nod your head up and down like this. (Demonstrate.) I am ready too! Let's open the Super Box and see what is inside!

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

Oh wow! Our Super Clue is a picture of friends. It is so fun to take pictures with our friends. I wonder how this picture of friends connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" I know! Let's send this Super Clue to our friends, the Super Crew, in the Clubhouse. They will be able to tell us how our Super Clue and Big Deal connect. Are you ready to send it to the Clubhouse? Let's do it!

(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 will 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! (Host presses the Super Box button.)

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: (To screen) Wow! Thanks so much, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story we learned about a sick woman who was healed when she touched Jesus' clothes. Jesus is God's Son, and He knew the moment the woman touched Him and was healed. Jesus knew everything about the woman who was sick, and He cared for her. God is everywhere—He is up, down, and all around. He knows about us and cares about us too.

Our Super Clue is a picture of friends, and it reminds us that just like we know and love our friends, God knows us and loves us too. That reminds me of our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Let's say it together. Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Do motions as you say the Big Deal.) "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Great job!

Let's talk and listen to God together by praying. Let's thank Him for knowing us and caring about us.

God, thank You so much for knowing every single person. Thank You for knowing our needs, like when we are sick and need help. Thank You for knowing us, caring about us, and loving us very much. Amen.

### Game:

Preschoolers will work together to keep a ball on the parachute while lifting it up and down.

**Leader Prep:** Spread the parachute out on the ground so preschoolers can go to a handle and be ready to play. If you do not have a parachute, a bedsheet or tablecloth will work as a substitute.

**Big Goal:** Remember the Bible story.

### **Supplies:**

Parachute 1 per group

Bedsheet or tablecloth 1 per group (optional)

Ball pit balls 1-5 per group

Script: We are going to play a super fun game called "Parachute Party." Let's all say, "Parachute," together. Ready? "Parachute!" Great job! First, we will all stand around this parachute on the floor. Each of you will take a handle. We will start by working together to lift the parachute up and down. A leader will put a ball in the center of the parachute while we are moving it up and down. Our goal is to try to keep the ball from falling off the parachute. Let's try it! Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Play a few times like this. As preschoolers get the hang of the game, add additional balls to the parachute. Praise preschoolers for doing a good job keeping the balls on the parachute.)

That was such a fun game! As we played, we needed everyone to work together to help keep the ball on the parachute. If we did not work together, the ball would roll off the parachute. Today we are learning that **God knows everyone.** In our Bible story, Jesus was in a large crowd and someone touched Him. Even though there was a large group of people, Jesus knew every person. He knew the woman who touched Him had been sick, and He knew that His power had healed her. God knows everything about everyone. That includes you too. God is everywhere—up, down, and all around—and that means He knows everything about us.

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Play Theme Verse Video.

Script: Excellent job! People may look at us and just see what is on the outside, like how big we are or what color our hair is. But God is different. He knows everything about us. He knows what is on the outside, and He knows what is going on inside, like what we think and feel. God knows what we need, and He cares about us. **God knows everyone**, and He loves everyone.

## **Craft:**

Preschoolers will decorate a picture frame.

Big Goal: Remember the Super Clue.

**Leader Prep:** Print "Make A Picture Frame" labels, one per child. Assemble picture frames prior to activity. Lay jumbo craft sticks in a square with ends overlapping, two craft sticks per side. Use glue to adhere the craft sticks together. Make one per child.

### **Supplies:**

"Make A Picture Frame" printable 1-2 per group
Labels (address labels, 30 per page, #5160) 1-2 per group
Jumbo craft sticks 8 per person
Liquid glue (adult use) 1 per group
Markers Several per child
"Make A Picture Frame Instructions & Example" printable 1 per group

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  child.
- 2. Give each preschooler a frame and markers. Invite them to decorate their frames.
- 3. Provide "Make A Picture Frame" labels to attach to each frame.

**Script:** Our Super Clue today is a picture of friends. What is our Super Clue? (A picture of friends!) Great! We are going to make fun picture frames to take home. You can put your own picture of your friends inside when you get home. I am going to give each of you a frame. You can decorate it with markers, and then you can add a sticker that says **God Knows Everyone** to your frame.

Wow! Your picture frames look great! A picture of friends shows us the people we know and care about. **God knows everyone.** He knows everything about each one of us, and He loves us so much. When you take your picture frame home and put a picture of your friends in it, you can remember that a picture of our friends shows us people we know and care about. God knows more than just our friends; **God knows everyone**, and He loves us all!

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# **Activity:**

Preschoolers will toss a ball to one another around a circle.

**Big Goal:** Share with friends.

**Supplies:** 

Beach ball or a soft ball 1 per group

Script: We are going to play a game where we share a ball with our friends. I will throw this ball to someone, and then she will throw it to a friend. Be watching so that you are ready for when the ball is thrown to you. Let's try to keep the ball in the air as we throw it up, down, and all around our circle. Where is the ball going to go? Let's all say, "Up, down, all around!" together. "Up, down, all around!" Great job! Ready? 3-2-1 Go!

We all did a great job tossing the ball up, down, and all around. Let's say that together again. Ready? "Up, down, all around!" Way to go! You all did a wonderful job sharing the ball and passing it. That was so much fun!

### **Countdown Video:**

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## **Music Video:**

Script: (Invite preschoolers to count down with you and the video.) 5-4-3-2-1! Welcome! My name is \_\_\_\_\_, and today we are learning about how God is everywhere—up, down, and all around. Let's stand up and move up, down, and all around. Ready? First, let's start by jumping up, up, up like this. (Demonstrate by jumping with your arms up in the air a few times.) Ready?

3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Great! Next, let's bend down, down, down, and touch our toes like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Way to go! Last one! Let's spin all around two times like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? 3-2-1 Go! (Allow responses.) Good job, everyone!

Today we are learning that God knows us. He knows us up, down, and all around! Let's say, "Up, down, all around!" together. Ready? "Up, down, all around!" Terrific!

Let's sing a song that talks about how God is everywhere—up, down, and all around. Ready? Let's stand up and sing our Theme song together.

Play Theme Song Video.

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

### **Supplies:**

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Toy Doctor Kit" printable 1 per group

Toy doctor kit 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

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

Up, Down, All Around! (Place closed fists at head level. Bring them down to your chest. Roll hands over each other in a circular motion.)

God Knows Me! (Tap each side of your temple with your pointer fingers three times.)

Script: Today we are going to learn about how **God knows every hurt.** Our Big Deal teaches us more about God and tells us that God is everywhere—up, down, and all around. That means He knows every one of you, and He even knows when you are hurting. Our Big Deal is, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Let's say it together. I will say it first, and you say it after me. (Do the motions as you say the Big Deal.) Up, Down, All Around! (Up, Down, All Around!) God Knows Me! (God Knows Me!) Super job, friends! God knows every one of you, and He knows about anything that hurts you. He knows us up, down, all around, which means He knows everything about us.

Did you hear that? That sound means we need to check out the Super Box. When we hear the Super Box sound, that means there is a new Super Clue in our Super Box. The Super Clue

connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Let's open the Super Box and see what is inside. Are you ready? (Yes!) Me too! I can't wait! Let's open it!

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

Look! Our Super Clue is a toy doctor kit. Inside a bag like this, a doctor might have tools to find out what hurt places we have. I wonder how a toy doctor kit connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" I know! Let's send this Super Clue to our friends in the Clubhouse for help. They are the Super Crew. They will be able to tell us how our Super Clue, a toy doctor kit, connects to our Big Deal. Are you ready to send our Super Clue to the Super Crew? If you are ready, say, "I'm ready!" (I'm ready!) Great! Let's send it to the Clubhouse.

(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 will 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! (Host presses the Super Box button.)

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: (*To screen*) Amazing! Thanks so much, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story we learned about a man named Job (JOHB). Job was a very good man and kind to everyone, but he had a lot of hurts and troubles. This was very hard for Job to understand, and he was very sad. But Job knew that God loved him. He knew that God could be trusted even when he was hurting. There may be times when we feel sad or upset. We can know that God knows when we hurt, and He cares about us. He sees our ups and downs, our good times and our hard times. He knows them all and loves us so much!

Our Super Clue today is a toy doctor kit. When we are playing and pretending, we can use a toy doctor kit to "help" a friend who is hurting. God knows everything about us, even the hurts and hard things that happen. We do not always understand why we hurt, but we can always trust that **God knows every hurt**, and He is good.

Let's say our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" together. Ready? "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Great job!

We can talk and listen to God together as we pray. Let's thank God for knowing every hurt we have and for caring about us.

God, thank You so much for knowing every hurt we have. Thank You for even knowing the hurt in our hearts that people cannot see. Thank You for loving and caring about us. We love You.

Amen.

### Game:

Preschoolers will try to guess which item is missing from an assortment of objects.

**Big Goal:** Remember the Super Clue.

**Leader Prep:** Place toy doctor kit items on a table. Cover with a towel.

#### **Supplies:**

Toy doctor kit tools 7-10 per group Towel 1 per group

Script: We are going to play a fun memory game with our Super Clue, a toy doctor kit. What is our Super Clue? (A toy doctor kit!) Great job! These are all tools a doctor might use. (Review each tool and what they are used for.) Let's take a closer look at all of these items. (Allow time for preschoolers to look at items.) Now that we have all had a good look at them, I am going to cover them up with this towel. Close your eyes, and I will remove one item. Then I will uncover the items and say, "Open your eyes." You will open your eyes and see if you can figure out which item is missing. When you figure out what is missing, we will play again. Ready? Let's play!

You all have amazing memories! You were so good at figuring out what item was missing. Our Super Clue, a toy doctor kit, reminds us that just like a doctor uses tools like these to help us when we need it, like when our bodies are sick or hurting, God cares about our hurts also. God knows each of us, and He loves us. He knows when we are hurting, and He can heal our hurts.

## **Theme Verse Video:**

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

The LORD (Raise hands up facing inward.) sees the heart. (Bring hands to your heart.)

1 Samuel 16:7c (Hold hands out like a book.)

**Script:** The Bible tells about how God knows us. Today's Theme verse is 1 Samuel 16:7. Let me show you where that verse is in the Bible. (Open the Bible to 1 Samuel 16:7. Point to the verse for preschoolers to see.) Let's watch a video to learn our Theme verse from the Bible.

Play Theme Verse Video.

**Script:** Great job! Our Theme verse tells us that God sees the heart. He knows what we think and feel. He even knows the hurts we have.

## **Craft:**

Preschoolers will make their own doctor's kit.

Big Goal: Remember the Main Idea, "God Knows Every Hurt."

**Leader Prep:** Print and cut out "Doctor's Kit" printables on cardstock, one per child. Fold each doctor kit in half. Cut white tissue paper into small squares to use as "gauze."

**Supplies:** 

"Doctor's Kit" printable 1 per child
Cardstock 1 per child
Adult scissors 1 per group
White tissue paper 5-10 per group
Glue sticks 1 per child
Cotton swabs 2 per child
Craft sticks 1 per child
Cotton balls 1 per child
Adhesive bandages 1 per child
Clear tape 1 per group
Markers or crayons Several per child
"Doctor's Kit Instructions & Example" printable 1 per group

#### **Craft Instructions:**

- 1. Before the session, print and cut out "Doctor's Kit" printables on cardstock, one per child. Fold each doctor's kit in half. Cut white tissue paper into small squares to use as "gauze."
- 2. Give each child a paper doctor's kit and markers or crayons.
- 3. Invite preschoolers to color their doctor's kits.
- 4. Give preschoolers a tissue paper square, a cotton ball, and a glue stick. Invite preschoolers to glue these supplies on the inside of their doctor's kits.
- 5. Give each preschooler two cotton swabs, one craft stick, and tape. Invite preschoolers to tape the cotton swabs and craft sticks to their doctor's kits.
- 6. Give each preschooler an adhesive bandage to add to their doctor's kit.

Script: We are going to make a really neat craft. We are going to make our own paper doctor's kit. What are we making? (A paper doctor's kit.) Great job! I will give each of you a paper doctor's kit, and you will use your markers or crayons to decorate it. When you finish decorating your doctor's kit, you will glue gauze (tissue paper) and a cotton ball to the inside of your kit. Then you will tape two cotton swabs and a craft stick to your kit. Finally, you will get an adhesive bandage to place in your doctor's kit.

Great job making your paper doctor's kit! When you play with it at home and use it like you are helping someone who is hurting, it can remind you that **God knows every hurt.** There will be times when we have hurts and troubles in our lives. There will be times when we are sick, sad, mad, or feel alone, but God knows the hurts we have and can help us. God knows everything about us, and He loves us very much.

## **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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## **Pick Up Time:**

During this time, children may play with toys that are not already put away in and around the room until their parents arrive to pick them up. Once all children have left, please make sure to collect and put back any of the items that are left out in the respective places. The photographs around the room will help make sure we leave these spaces the way we found them. We are so appreciative of all you do!



# **Preschool Leader Guide**

September 28 – Pre-K & Kindergarten

**Monthly Theme:** God Knows Me

Today's "Big Deal" Theme Tie: God Knows Everything that Happens

\*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.

## **Treehouse Music & Worship:**

Using the Treehouse TVs select the **Preschool Worship** or **Kid's Worship Sing & Dance Along** playlist to play 3 songs for worship time. Pray to open your time in the treehouse and then after the final song send kiddos back to their classrooms to do Super Clue and Bible Story. Please note: **THE PUPPET STAGE DOOR SHOULD BE CLOSED AT ALL TIMES FOR SAFETY AND SECURITY.** Both the door to the treehouse storage closet and the door to the back of the treehouse must remain closed during programming as both pose a safety and security risk for children.

# **Activity:**

Preschoolers will use blocks to build a wall.

Big Goal: Remove barriers to belonging.

#### **Supplies:**

Blocks 5-10 per child

Painter's tape (optional) 1 per group

Script: Hello, everyone! It is so good to see you today. Who here likes to build with blocks? If you like to build with blocks say, "I do!" (I do!) Good! It is so fun to create with blocks. Today we are all going to work together to build a wall out of these blocks. Let's see how long and tall we can make our wall.

You all did a wonderful job working together to build a wall. Your wall went up super high. Way to go, everyone! We make a great 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! Welcome! My name is \_\_\_\_, and I am so glad to see you today. Before we start, let's stand up and see if you can stretch up, down, and all around. Ready? Let's stretch up to the sky like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? (Allow responses.) Great job! Now, let's stretch down to the ground like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? (Allow responses.) Great! Finally, let's move as we stretch all around like this. (Demonstrate.) Ready? (Allow responses.) Great job! Let's all sit down. Today we are learning about how God is everywhere—up, down, and all around—and that means He knows everything about us!

Let's sing our Theme song together. It tells how God knows us. Ready? Let's sing!

Play Theme Song Video.

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

**Supplies:** 

Super Box 1 per group

"Super Clue: Untied Shoe" printable 1 per group

An untied shoe 1 per group (optional)

Bible 1 per group

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

Up, Down, All Around! (Place closed fists at head level. Bring them down to your chest. Roll hands over each other in a circular motion.)

God Knows Me! (Tap each side of your temple with your pointer fingers three times.)

Script: Today we are going to learn about how God knows everything that happens. Let's say that together. Ready? "God knows everything that happens." Great job! Our Big Deal helps us learn something important about God. It is, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Let's say it together. I will say it first, and you say it after me. (Do the motions as you say the Big Deal.) Up, Down, All Around! (Up, Down, All Around!) God Knows Me! (God Knows Me!) Good! God knows every single one of us, and He knows everything that happens. Isn't that super?

That sound means we have a new Super Clue in the Super Box! Our Super Clue connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Are you ready to open the Super Box and see what is inside? Give me a thumbs-up if you are ready. (Allow responses.) Me too! Let's open it!

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

Our Super Clue is an untied shoe! Learning to tie our shoes can be very hard. Sometimes we need help from a grown-up to tie our shoes. I wonder how an untied shoe connects to our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Let's send our Super Clue to some of our friends in the Clubhouse who can help. They are the Super Crew. They will be able to tell us how our Super Clue, an untied shoe, connects to our Big Deal. Are you ready to send our Super Clue to the Clubhouse? (Allow responses.)

(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 will 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! (Host presses the Super Box button.)

Play Bible Story Video.

Script: (To screen) Great! Thanks so much, Super Crew!

(To preschoolers) In our Bible story, we learned about a man named Nehemiah (nee huh MIGH uh) who wanted the walls up and all around the city of Jerusalem so the people would be protected. This was very hard, but God knows everything that happens to us, and He helps us do hard things. He helped Nehemiah rebuild the wall to keep the people safe. God knew what was happening in Jerusalem, and God knows everything that happens in our lives too. He knows when we fall and skin our knees, when we go to the park, and when we need help. Let's say, "God knows everything that happens," together. Ready? "God knows everything that happens."

Our Super Clue today is an untied shoe. Before you learn to tie your shoes, you need help to tie them. Learning to tie shoes can be hard, and you may feel upset and want to give up. Instead of giving up, you can ask someone to help you. God knows everything that happens to us, especially when we need help with something. When we are upset or want to give up, we can remember that God knows us—up, down, and all around. That reminds me of our Big Deal, "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" Let's say that together. Ready? "Up, Down, All Around! God Knows Me!" God knows everything that happens, and He is here to help us.

Let's pray and thank God for knowing everything that happens. *Praying* is talking and listening to God.

God, thank You so much that You know everything that happens. Thank You for knowing when we need help. Thank You for knowing us and helping us. Amen.

### **Game:**

Preschoolers will play a game where they guess the leader.

Big Goal: Remember the Main Idea, "God Knows Everything that Happens."

**Script:** We are going to play a super fun game called "Guess the Leader." Guess the what? (*The leader!*) Great job! We will all get in a big circle, and I will pick one person to be the "guesser." Let's all say, "The guesser." (*The guesser.*) Great! The guesser will close her eyes so she will not

see who I choose to be leader, and then I will very quietly point to one of you to be the leader. The guesser will not know who the leader is, and no one will tell her because she will have to guess who the leader is. We will all start following the leader. The leader will do different movements that we will all follow. Then the guesser will open her eyes and watch as we will keep following the leader. The guesser will have to watch everyone in the circle and see if she can guess the leader. After she guesses the leader, we will play again, and I will choose a new leader and guesser.

Wow! You all were such great leaders, and you followed the leader so well! Even though we don't always know what is happening around us, we can remember that **God knows everything that happens.** Let's say that together. **"God knows everything that happens."** Great job! God knows every situation we are in. When we are upset or want to give up, we can remember that God knows us, and He is here to help us.

## **Theme Verse Video:**

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

The LORD (Raise hands up facing inward.) sees the heart. (Bring hands to your heart.)

1 Samuel 16:7c (Hold hands out like a book.)

Script: The Bible tells us that God knows us. Our Theme verse comes from the book of 1 Samuel in the Bible. Let me show you where that verse is in the Bible. (Open the Bible to 1 Samuel 16:7. Point to the verse for preschoolers to see.) Let's watch a video to learn our Theme verse together.

Play Theme Verse Video.

**Script:** Excellent job! When we read the Bible, we can learn that God knows us. God sees the heart, the things we think and feel. He knows everything that happens to us and helps us, even when we do hard things.

## **Craft:**

Preschoolers will create a lacing shoe craft.

Big Goal: Remember the Super Clue.

**Leader Prep:** Print "Lace The Shoe" printables on cardstock, one per child. Cut out shoes and punch out holes as noted. Cut yarn in 1-foot lengths, one per child. Lace the yarn up through the bottom hole and tape the end of the yarn to the back of the shoe.

#### **Supplies:**

"Lace The Shoe" printable 1 per child
Cardstock 1 per child
Yarn 1 per child
Adult scissors 1 per group
Tape 1 per group
Markers or crayons Several per child
Single hole punch (adult use) 1 per group
"Lace The Shoe Instructions & Example" printable 1 per group

#### **Craft Instructions:**

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- 2. Distribute a lacing card to each child. Demonstrate how to lace the shoes with the yarn.
- 3. Assist each preschooler in lacing the shoe if needed.
- 4. Encourage preschoolers to decorate their shoes when they are finished lacing.

Script: We are going to make a lacing card of our Super Clue, an untied shoe. What is our Super Clue? (An untied shoe!) Good! For our craft, I will give you a paper shoe that already has a piece of yarn attached to it. You are going to lace the yarn in and out of the other holes to make it look like shoelaces. We can tape the extra yarn to the back of your shoe. When you finish lacing, you can decorate your shoe however you would like. Are you ready to get started?

Way to go lacing and decorating your shoes! Let's tell our friends, "Great job!" Ready? 3-2-1 (Great job!) While you were decorating your shoes, did you see the words on the bottom of it? The words are **God knows everything that happens**. Learning to tie our shoes can be hard. God knows when we do hard things. He knows us, and He knows everything that happens to us. When we are upset or want to give up, we can remember that God knows us. **God knows everything that happens**, and He is here to help us.

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