

# March 30, 2025 I Am Meant to Know God 1 year olds - 4 year olds

Bible Passage: God's Greatest Gift-Romans 5-6

Bottom Line: God rescues you!

**Leader Context**: In our special Game Changer session today, we get to make the gospel loud and clear as we share the truth that God sent Jesus to rescue us from sin. (Read Romans 6:22-23.) Let's share the truth about who Jesus is, why He came, and what a difference He makes in our lives when He rescues us.

**THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS:** Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

#### Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Social Instruction Page, Roku Game Instructions, Butcher paper (1 per group), Markers or crayons (several), Scissors (1 per group; adult-use only) [On a large piece of butcher paper, draw a simple map of a park with parallel lines branching off in different directions as the sidewalks. Set out supplies. ] Blue construction paper (1 per child), Bucket or large bowl (2 per group), "Bark Coloring Page" (1 per child), Crayons (several)

#### What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

**Say:** That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

# Bible Story Video (10 minutes) Bible Story Recap- Say This!

Thanks, Super Crew and Bark! In our Bible story we learned that God sent His Son, Jesus, to rescue us. Rescue means to help or save. We all need to be rescued because we have all made wrong choices that mess up our friendship with God. These wrong choices we make are called sin. God sent Jesus to rescue us from our sin. Our Super Clue, a rescue hat, reminds us that God is always ready to rescue us. Because we all sin, we are separated from God. But we can celebrate that God sent Jesus to rescue us from the wrong choices we make. Jesus took our punishment so that we can have a friendship with God. Jesus is the greatest gift in the story, right? That is news we need to celebrate!

Let's say our Big Deal,: Hooray! (Pump your fist.) God Rescues You! (Make fists at head level and pull them toward chest.) Great job!

When we pray, we talk and listen to God. Let's pray and thank God that Jesus rescues us.

God, thank You for rescuing us when we choose to follow You. Today we celebrate You and say thank You for loving us and coming to rescue us. Amen.

#### Make A Gift — Craft

Preschoolers will paint a cross to give as a gift to someone. **Big Goal:** Remember that God's greatest gift to us is Jesus.

**Leader Prep:** Print "Cross" printables, one per child.

**Supplies:** "Cross" printable (1 per child). Paint Sticks (several)

**What To Do:** Do you remember who God's greatest gift to us is? (Allow responses.) Yes! God's greatest gift to us is Jesus! We are going to make picture gifts that we can give away to people to share God's greatest gift with them. You have a picture of a cross, and there are different parts of the cross to color different colors. After church you can give this to someone and say, "God's greatest gift is Jesus!"

**Keep It Going:** Encourage preschoolers to share who they will give their gifts to and help them verbalize what they might say to them, helping them put what they have learned into words.

**Leader Tip:** Offer only a few colors at a time to allow for more intentional selection when coloring.

**Loud And Clear:** In our Bible story today, we learned that God's greatest gift to us is Jesus. Jesus came to rescue us from our sin. *Sin* is when we disobey God's rules. Because sin breaks our friendship with God, we need someone to rescue us. God gave us Jesus! The pictures we colored can remind us that Jesus came to make a way so we could be friends with God.

#### Say:

- Who remembers what our Super Clue is today? (a rescue hat)
- What does a rescue hat help us remember? (God rescues us!)
- God rescues you. Rescue means to help or save. How does God rescue us through Jesus? (He sent Jesus to make a way for us to be forgiven and have a friendship with God.)
- Who did God send to rescue us? (Jesus)
- What did you learn about God today?
- What can you tell your family that you learned about today?

### Our Big Deal is,

Hooray! (Pump your fist.)

God Rescues You! (Make fists at head level and pull them toward chest.)

**Say:** We all need to be rescued because our sin broke our friendship with God. We can't rescue ourselves, so God gave us the greatest gift—Jesus—to rescue us.

## **Going Home**

#### Prepare kids to talk with their family about what they learned today.

- Pass out coloring pages for kids to take home.
- As family members arrive to pick up their kid, greet them and tell them one thing you noticed about their kid that day or something you talked to each kid about remembering this week.
- If there is time to chat with the family, ask how you can pray for them this week.
- Say bye to the kids and call them by name.