

TOTALLY NEW



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Preschool Groups

October 26, 2025 I Am Forgiven Preschool Leader Guide

the place for kids to take their first steps with jesus.



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God is ready to restore and make us new when we believe in Him and ask for forgiveness. We can have hope in the future because of forgiveness and a new life with God forever.

BIBLE- Joel - the Prophet to Judah- Joel 1-3

TOOLS

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At a Glance



The Code



Gospel Page



Leader Devos



SOCIAL TIME

The first 10-15 minutes as kid's arrive are some of our most important times to meet needs and show kids they are valued. This is why we provide strategic activities for you help engage with every kid as they arrive.

- This month you have Potato Head Play Sets and Dino Dance Cards.
- You will also find 2 Social activities each week. ***Use one now and one at the end to redirect attention.*

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Social Game Instruction Page including Roku Games, Fall leaf (real or artificial) (1 per group), "Ready, Set, U-Turn" printable (1 per group), Adult scissors (1 per group)

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 - Say This!

Thanks for your help, Super Crew! In today's Bible story, God's people were hurting and suffering because of their wrong choices, but when they turned away from their wrong choices and asked God to forgive them, He did. God gave them a new hope in Him. *Hope* is waiting and trusting that something good is coming. Like a U-turn sign shows us when to turn around and go a different way, God's people did a U-turn when they turned away from their wrong choices. God forgave them, and they got a chance to have a redo and make right choices. That is a big deal! Let's say our Big Deal together. "Redo! God Forgives Me and You!" God offers to us a redo too. We all sin, which means we make wrong choices, and we need God to forgive us and help us. The good news is God sent Jesus so we can be forgiven and have a friendship with Him. When we ask God to forgive us, He does, and He gives us a new hope in Him. This new hope helps us turn from our wrong choices and follow Him.

(4 Circles Gospel Opportunity) *Use The Gospel Poster in Your Group Space to point to each circle as you talk through these points.*

Circle 1- *God made a perfect world and created people to live in it and be His friends. Can you make a big circle above your head with me? (Model drawing a circle above your head and invite preschoolers to do the same.)*

Circle 2- *God loved the world He made, but Adam and Eve, the first people, disobeyed God's one rule, bringing sin into the world. Can you make an X with me? (Take your arms and model the X.) Sin makes the world sad and broken, and it separates people from God. Even today, we all sin by doing wrong things, and that's why we need Jesus.*

Circle 3- *God loves us and sent His Son, Jesus, to help fix our broken friendship with Him. Jesus is our King who wants to take away our sin and give us a new start. Can you take a pretend crown and place it out in front of you like you are putting it on someone's head? (Demonstrate this for preschoolers and have them do this with you.)*

Circle 4- *When we believe in Jesus and follow Him, God forgives us, and we can have a friendship with Him again. One day, everyone who believes in Jesus will live forever with Him in heaven.*

Let's pray and talk to God. We can thank Him for sending Jesus. When we ask Jesus to forgive us, He does! Let's close our eyes as we pray. Ready? Let's pray in 3-2-1.

God, thank You for sending Jesus to forgive us. Thank You for giving us the chance to turn from our wrong choices and turn to go a different way. Help us follow You. Amen.

Let's say our Big Deal Together:

Redo! *(Point up and make a circle in the air.)*

God Forgives Me and You! *(Pull from your shoulders down to your front.)*

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Which Way Signs(20 minutes)

Preschoolers will create traffic signs so they can play “Red Light, Green Light, U-Turn” at home.

Leader Prep: Print and cut out “Which Way Signs” printables on cardstock, one set per child. Each child needs two traffic lights and a U-turn sign. Make sample cards.

Supplies: “Which Way Signs” printable (1 per child), Cardstock (several), Red and green markers or crayons (several), Adult scissors (1 per group), Ziplock bag (1 per child; optional)

Craft Instructions:

1. Before the session, print and cut out “Which Way Signs” printables on cardstock, one set per child. Make sample cards.
2. Give each child a traffic light card. Explain that a traffic light has three lights. When the top light is red, the traffic is supposed to stop. Invite preschoolers to find a red marker or crayon and color the top light red. Show a sample.
3. Give each child the next traffic light card. Explain that when the bottom light is green, the traffic is supposed to go. Invite preschoolers to find a green marker or crayon and color the bottom light green. Show a sample.
4. Give each child the U-turn card and explain that a U-turn sign tells the traffic to turn around and go a different way. Invite preschoolers to color the U-turn card.
5. Place each child's cards in a ziplock bag (optional).

What To Do: We are going to make a craft called “Which Way Signs” so you can play our game, “Red Light, Green Light, U-turn,” at home with your family or friends. What is our craft called? (*Which Way Signs!*) Great! I'm going to give each of you a picture of a traffic light. (*Pass out a traffic light card to each child.*) In our game, when the traffic light said, “Red light!” we had to stop and freeze. A real traffic light has a red light at the top. When the light is red, drivers have to stop their cars. Let's all find a red crayon and color the top light red. (*Allow time for coloring. When the group is finished, pass out the next traffic light card.*) When we were playing our game and the traffic light said, “Green light!” what did everyone do? (*Allow responses.*) That's right! We all got to go. On this next card we are going to color the bottom light green. (*Allow time for coloring. When the group is finished, pass out the U-turn sign cards.*) This is a U-turn sign. In our game, what did we do when the traffic light said, “U-turn”? (*Allow responses.*) That's right! We turned around and went back to the starting line. You can take these cards home and play this game with your family or friends. (*Place each child's cards in a ziplock bag with their name on it.*)

Keep It Going: If time allows, try a few rounds of playing the game with the new cards.

Loud And Clear: Nice work, everyone! Now everyone has a red traffic light, a green traffic light, and a U-turn sign. Earlier we played a game of stopping for red lights, moving or going for green lights, and turning around when we heard the word *U-turn*. When you take these cards home, you can show your friends and family how to play the same game we played. You can also tell them what our game reminds us of. Our game reminds us that we can turn from our wrong choices. God sent Jesus to forgive us so we can have a friendship with Him. When we turn away from our wrong choices, we can ask God to forgive us, and He will! He gives us a new hope in Him. God gives me a new hope. Let's say that together. Ready? 3-2-1 Go! “God gives me a new hope.” Good work!

TALK IT OUT

Say:

1. Who remembers what our Super Clue is today? *(a U-turn sign)*
2. What does a U-turn sign help us remember? *(A U-turn sign shows us when to turn around and go a different way. God gives us the chance to turn from our wrong choices and go a different way and make right choices.)*
3. **God gives me a new hope.** How does God give me a new hope? *(God forgives me.)*
4. God sent a special messenger to His people. What was his name and what was his special job called? *(Joel—he was a prophet, a messenger from God.)*
5. What did you learn about God today?

Our Big Deal is, Redo! God Forgives Me and You!

Redo! *(Point up and make a circle in the air.)*

God Forgives Me and You! *(Pull from your shoulders down to your front.)*

Today we learned God's people were suffering because of their wrong choices, but when they turned away from their wrong choices and asked God to forgive them, He did. God sent Jesus to forgive us. When we ask, God forgives us and gives us a new hope in Him.

When God forgives us, He gives us a chance to turn from our wrong choices and turn to go a different way.

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.