

First Look | January 25

Today's Bible Story: Tabitha and Timothy • Acts 9:36-39; 1 Timothy 4:12

I can live for God.

Key Question: What does the Bible teach you?

Bottom Line: The Bible teaches me the best things.

Memory Verse: *Your word is truth.* (John 17:17, NIV)

1. Bible Stickers

What You Need:

- ☐ "Big Bible" Activity Page
- ☐ "Big Bible Stickers" Activity Page
- ☐ Cardstock
- ☐ Avery® Labels #22807 or equivalent
- ☐ Crayons/markers
- ☐ Permanent marker

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Big Bible" on cardstock, one per child. Copy "Big Bible Stickers" on label paper, one set per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

During the Activity: Give each child one set of stickers and one "Big Bible" Activity Page. Encourage children to add their stickers as you review the story.

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

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hey friends! Come sit with me so we can talk about our story and make something really cool!"

During the Activity: "Today we heard two true stories from the Bible! We heard about Tabitha and Timothy. Tabitha and Timothy lived for God! Does anyone remember what Tabitha did? *(Pause for responses.)* That's right! Tabitha helped people by making them clothes. Does anyone remember what Timothy did? *(Pause for responses.)* Yes! Timothy taught people about God! Now, who remembers, was Timothy old or young? *(Pause for responses.)* Yes! Timothy was young! And you're young too! That means you can do big things just like Timothy. Even though you are young, the Bible teaches you the best things! Let's use these stickers to remember what the Bible teaches us.

"Everyone, pick up the sticker that looks like this. *(Show sticker of mouth.)* This mouth reminds us that we can talk about God to others. Put this sticker on your picture. *(Pause.)*

Now, everyone find the sticker that looks like this. *(Show sticker of ear.)* This ear reminds us that we can hear from God. Go ahead and put the ear sticker on your picture. *(Pause.)* Now, who can find the sticker that looks like this? *(Show sticker of prayer hands.)* This sticker reminds

us that we can pray and talk to God anytime and anywhere. Put that sticker on your picture. Now let's find the sticker of people helping. (*Show sticker of people helping.*) Add that to your picture of the Bible. Now, if you want, you can color the rest of your picture. (*Pause.*) Look at your masterpieces! They all look beautiful and wonderful."

After the Activity: "When you get home, hang this up so everyone can see! You have four stickers to remind us that **[Bottom Line] The Bible teaches me the best things. What does the Bible teach you? [Bottom Line] The Bible teaches me the best things.**"

2. Pray

Dear God, thank You for giving us the Bible so we can learn the best things. Please help us to live for You by helping! We want to live for You God! In Jesus' name. Amen."