August 10 9:00am & 11:00am

Three and Four Year Olds

MOSES' FAREWELL

(DEUTERONOMY 3 1–34)

CHRIST CONNECTION: Moses was a good leader, but he was not perfect. Jesus is perfect. Jesus died and rose again so everyone who follows Him will be forgiven of their sins and be with Him forever.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: Why should we obey God? We should obey God because He made us and He loves us.

KEY PASSAGE PHRASE: All things work together for the good of those who love God. Romans 8:28

STORY POINT: Moses reminded the people that God would be with them.

LEARN

(GATHER ON THE RUG FOR THE LESSON)

1. INTRODUCE THE BIBLE STORY

Invite two children to join you on the rug for group time.

SAY Who is the oldest person you know? In our Bible story today, Moses was 120 years old, and God said it was time for a new leader to take over. Let's listen to find out what happened.

2. PLAY THE BIBLE STORY VIDEO ON THE TV.

9AM Volunteers with 3s in room 125: You will need to combine with room 124 for bible story time.

<u>How?</u> Turn on the TV and Apple TV, Open the Plex App, and play the video with today's date (If needed, the Plex Pin is 1234)

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3. REVIEW THE BIBLE STORY

Ask the following review questions:

- 1. What did you like about the Bible story? (Answers will vary.)
- 2. What were some things in the Bible story that made you happy or sad? (Answers will vary.)
- 3. Who did God say would be the new leader of the people? (Joshua)
- 4. Why do you think Moses wrote down all of God's laws? (so the people would obey God; so the people didn't forget; he wanted to help the people)
- 5. Who did Moses tell people would always be with them and help them? (God)
- 6. Why should we obey God? We should obey God because He made us and He loves us. SAY Moses was a good leader and tried to do what God wanted, but he was not perfect. Moses blessed the people and went up to the mountain to see the Promised Land before he died. Joshua became the next leader of the people. Our leader is Jesus. When we trust and believe in Jesus, our sins are forgiven, and we can be with Him forever.

4. LEARN THE BIG PICTURE QUESTION AND ANSWER

SAY Why should we obey God? We should obey God because He made us, He loves us, and His plans are good. Moses knew God made the people and had good plans for them. He wrote down all of God's laws so the people would remember to obey everything God said.

5. PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE PHRASE

Place the key passage marker at Romans 8:28 Invite a child to open your Bible to the key passage. Read the marker aloud. Invite the children to try saying the phrase for memory.

SAY Our key passage phrase tells us: All things work for the good of those who love God. Romans 8:28.' We have been learning that the people living in the wilderness did not believe that God would work for their good by giving them the Promised Land. But God was faithful to His people, and gave them a new leader. Joshua trusted God and led them into the new land, as God promised He would.

6. PRAY

SAY God, we thank You for giving us Jesus. He is our perfect leader. Help us trust and believe in Jesus so our sins will be forgiven. Amen.

ACTIVITIES

(PLEASE DO ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES BELOW)

WHO HAS THE RULES?

Seat children in a line facing you making sure that there is about a foot of space between each child. Show the children a small Bible and say, "God's rules are in the Bible." Instruct the children to put their hands behind their backs, bow their heads, and close their eyes. While children's eyes are closed, quietly slip the Bible into one child's hands. Prompt the children to open their eyes while continuing to keep their hands behind their backs. Invite the children to guess who has the Bible. The child who guesses correctly places the Bible in another child's hands during the next round.

SAY Before he died, Moses wrote down God's rules and gave them to the priests. He told them to keep the rules safe. He also told the people to be careful and to do what God says. Then, Moses reminded the people that God would be with them.

COLOR THE ACTIVITY PAGE (please send this home with parents)

As children color, **SAY** Moses was a good leader, but he was not perfect. Jesus is perfect. Jesus died and rose again so everyone who follows Him will be forgiven of their sins and be with Him forever.

OPTIONAL TEACHING OUTLINE

Open your Bible to Deuteronomy Show the video or tell the Bible story. Use the bold version of the Bible story for young preschoolers. Props in the storytelling tips are not typically provided, but feel free to bring them from home.

MOSES' FAREWELL

STORYTELLING TIPS

Pronounce a blessing: At the appropriate point in the story, stand like Moses did and pronounce a blessing over the tribes of Israel.

Wave goodbye: Tell the preschoolers that today's story is called "Moses' Farewell." Explain that farewell is another way of saying goodbye. Lead preschoolers to wave goodbye each time you say "Moses."

When Moses was 120 years old, he gathered the Israelites together. Moses called Joshua to him in front of all of Israel and spoke, "God has told me that I will not go with you into the Promised Land. The LORD will go ahead of you. Joshua will be your new leader. Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid, because the LORDwill go with you and will not leave you."

Moses wrote down all God's laws and gave it to the priests. He said, "Take this book of the law and place it beside the ark of the covenant of the LORD. Be careful not to disobey God."

Moses blessed the people. He gave a special blessing to each one of the twelve tribes of Israel. To all of Israel, **he said** this:

"There is no one like God.

who rides the clouds to help you.

He is the shield that protects you.

He is the sword you fight with.

our enemies will be defeated."

Then Moses went up to the top of Mount Nebo. From this mountain, **he could see the land God had promised.** Then, Moses died there, just as God had said. The Israelites cried for Moses for 30 days.

The Israelites turned to their new leader, Joshua. They would obey him, just as the LORDhad said. Joshua would lead them into the Promised Land.

Christ Connection: Moses led God's people, but Moses was not perfect. Jesus leads us in perfect faithfulness. He died so that all who trust and believe in Him would be forgiven of their sins and be with Him forever.

DISMISS PRESCHOOLERS

- Release preschoolers to parents by matching up the number on the child's sticker with the guardian receipt.
- Give parents today's activity page to reinforce today's Bible story and Christ connection throughout the week.
- · Tell parents something that their child enjoyed doing or did well during the session.

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Two Year Olds

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CHRIST CONNECTION: Jesus died and rose again so that all who believe in Him would be forgiven of their sins and be with Him forever.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: Why should we obey God? We should obey God because He made us and He loves us..

KEY PASSAGE PHRASE: There is no one like the Lord. 1 Samuel 2:2

STORY POINT: Moses reminded the people that God would be with them.

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3. PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE PHRASE

Place the Key Passage Phrase Marker at Romans 8:28.

SAY Our key passage phrase says, 'God makes all things good.' Jesus died and rose again so that all who believe in Him would be forgiven of their sins and be with Him forever! That is good news!

ACTIVITIES

(CHOOSE ONE OR ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES BELOW)

WRITE DOWN LAWS

Set out pieces of <u>the activity page</u> and <u>crayons</u>. Encourage a toddler to "write" on the back of the paper by making scribbles. When he finishes, ask him what he wrote. Tell him that Moses wrote too! On each toddler's paper, write *Moses wrote down all of God's laws*. Review the Bible story as toddlers write.

SAY Did Moses write down God's laws? Yes, Moses wrote down all of God's laws, gave them to the priests, and they placed them beside the ark of the covenant. Moses warned the people not to disobey God and blessed the people. Our key passage phrase says, 'God makes all things good.'

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OPTIONAL TEACHING OUTLINE:

Open the Bible to the book of Deuteronomy and tell the following Bible story:

When Moses was 120 years old, he called on Joshua in front of all the people. Moses said, "God told me that I will not go into the Promised Land. Joshua will be your new leader. Be strong and bold. Do not be afraid. The Lord will not leave you." Moses wrote down all of God's laws, gave them to the priests, and they placed them beside the ark of the covenant. Moses warned the people not to disobey God and blessed the people. Then Moses went up on Mount Nebo so he could see the land God promised. Then, Moses died there. The people were sad, but they promised to obey Joshua. Joshua would lead them into the Promised Land.

Check diapers and release toddlers to parents according to security procedures. Give parents today's activity page to reinforce today's Bible story and Christ connection throughout the week.