

**JULY 13**  
**9:00am & 11:00am**  
*Three and Four Year Olds*  
**WORSHIP AT THE TABERNACLE**  
(LEVITICUS 16; 19; 26)

**CHRIST CONNECTION:** God told His people to show they were sorry for their sins. The people could not pay for their sins, so God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay for their sins. Anyone who trusts in Jesus has forgiveness and life with God forever.

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:** Why do we need to be saved? We are sinful and need Jesus to rescue us from sin.

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

**STORY POINT:** God told His people to obey and worship Him only.

## LEARN

(GATHER ON THE RUG FOR THE LESSON)

### 1. INTRODUCE THE BIBLE STORY

Wear or borrow a clothing item with pockets. Gather children to group time. Discuss ways to spend money. Write ideas onto a dry erase board. Position the dry erase board, markers, and eraser where children can see their ideas written.

SAY Welcome to group time! If you have pockets, check and see if you have a bunch of money in them. Let me check mine, too. Nope! My pockets are empty. Well, then, let's name some things so expensive we could never ever hope to buy them. [Allow responses.] Wow! That's quite a list you came up with! In today's Bible story, we will learn about what it costs to be forgiven of sin and how God sent Jesus to pay that price for us.

### 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.\*

How? 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. What special place did the Israelites build? *(tabernacle)*
4. How did the people help with the tabernacle? *(They gave gold, yarn, gemstones, and other items and worked together to make what was needed.)*
5. Why was the tabernacle built? *(The tabernacle was built for God to be with His people.)*
- 6. Why do we need to be saved? We are sinful and need Jesus to rescue us from sin.**

**SAY** God's people worked hard on the tabernacle. Moses looked at all the work that had been done and knew it was done just as the LORD wanted. Wherever the people traveled, the cloud of the LORD stayed with the tabernacle during the day, and there was fire inside the cloud at

night. **The tabernacle was built for God to be with His people.** We do not need a tabernacle, because when we trust and believe in Jesus we are given the Holy Spirit, who is always with us.

#### 4. LEARN THE BIG PICTURE QUESTION AND ANSWER

**SAY** Girls, say the big picture question with me, **What do we need to be saved?** Boys, say the answer, **We are sinful and need Jesus to rescue us from sin.** God told Moses to build the tabernacle so God could be with His people. We do not need a tabernacle, because when we trust and believe in Jesus we are given the Holy Spirit, who is always with us.

#### 5. PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE PHRASE

Place the Key Passage Phrase Marker at 1 Samuel 2:2. Learn and say the key passage phrase together while raising and lowering your hands in worship.

**SAY** God is holy. He does not sin. God told His people to obey and worship Him only. God told His people to show they were sorry for their sins. The people could not pay for their sins, so God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay for sins. Anyone who trusts in Jesus has forgiveness and life with God forever.

#### 6. PRAY

**SAY** God, we love You and worship You. Thank you for being with us wherever we go.

### ACTIVITIES

(PLEASE DO ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES BELOW)

#### PLAY A LISTEN AND OBEY GAME

Play music at a low volume, but loud enough to be clearly heard. Tell the children you will tell them things to do and they must listen and do what they hear you say. Use commands like you might use for a game of "Simon Says" (touch nose, pat head, etc.), but give the commands in a very quiet whisper. Children must listen closely in order to play the game to do what you say. Play until only one child remains.

**SAY** It is difficult to hear people when they whisper. It is even more difficult to hear someone whisper with music playing in the background. This game was a challenge, wasn't it? But just like I gave you rules to follow, God gave the people rules to follow to show them what was right and wrong. God told His people to obey and worship Him only. God knew they would not always obey. But He made a way for them to say they were sorry for the wrong things they did.

#### BUILD A TABERNACLE

Set out blocks along with a variety of other items, such as toy tools, toy jewelry, plastic jewels, fabric, and paintbrushes. Show preschoolers the tabernacle on the Bible Story Picture Poster. Invite preschoolers to work together to build a tabernacle.

**SAY** Today, we learned that the people worked together to build a tabernacle, which was a place where the people went to worship God and where God could be with His people. People brought beautiful gemstones to help decorate the temple. God gave people special skills for building and creating things. **The tabernacle was built for God to be with His people.** God wants to be with us, too. As part of His plan to save people from sin, God sent Jesus to earth to be with people.

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

As children color review the Bible story, **SAY** God told His people to show they were sorry for their sins. The people could not pay for their sins, so God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay for their sins. Anyone who trusts in Jesus has forgiveness and life with God forever..

## OPTIONAL TEACHING OUTLINE

Open your Bible to Exodus 35. 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.

### STORYTELLING TIPS

*Play out the special skills: As you tell the story, play out building, sculpting, and weaving.*

*See and Touch: Use props preschoolers can see and touch while telling today's Bible story. Place the following items in front of each child: a wooden block, pieces of yarn, and a piece of clay. Let the preschoolers touch the items as they listen to today's Bible story. Pause when mentioning how these items were used to build, weave, and sculpt what was needed for the tabernacle.*

## BUILDING THE TABERNACLE

**God commanded Moses to build a tabernacle. The tabernacle would be a special place for God to be with His people.** God told Moses to invite all the Israelites to be a part of this building project.

**The people gave gold, silver, and bronze so the tabernacle could be built. They gave blue, purple, and red yarn.** They gave goat and ram skins and fine leather. **They also gave beautiful gemstones.**

Next, **Moses asked for people with special skills like building, sculpting, weaving, and designing to come help with the tabernacle.** A man named Bezalel led the construction of the tabernacle. God gave a man named Oholiab the ability to teach others how to design, weave, and cut gems.

Bezalel, Oholiab, and many others worked hard on the tabernacle. **They made a special box, called the ark, and covered it with gold. They made a gold table, a gold lampstand, two altars, and a bronze basin, or bowl. These items would be used in the worship of God.**

**They also made special clothes for Aaron and the other priests to wear.** These clothes could only be worn in the tabernacle and would show that Aaron and the priests were set apart for a special work of God.

**Moses inspected all the work that had been done. He saw that everything had been done just as the LORD had commanded. Moses blessed the people and then set up the tabernacle. Once it was finished, the glory of the LORD filled**

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*Christ Connection: God told Moses to build the tabernacle so God could be with His people. We do not need a tabernacle today, because when we trust and believe in Jesus we are given the Holy Spirit, who is always with us.*

## 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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**SAY** *I'm so glad you are with us today! Do you like being together at church with your friends and family? I like being here with you! In our Bible story we will learn how God told Moses to build a place called a tabernacle for God to be with His people.*

*Let's listen to our Bible story to learn more.*

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## **OPTIONAL TEACHING OUTLINE:**

Open the Bible to Leviticus and tell the following Bible story:

*God told Moses to build a special place called a tabernacle for God to be with His people. God's people gave expensive metals, beautiful gemstones, special fabrics, and fine animal skins and leather. The people helped build the tabernacle. Some men worked together to make a special, gold-covered box. The people also made the items used to worship God and the special clothes for the priests to wear in the tabernacle. Moses looked at the work, blessed the people, and set up the tabernacle. Next, the cloud of the Lord stayed in the tabernacle during the day, and there was fire inside the cloud at night.*

**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.**