



IDC KIDS

Jul 26, 2026

8:30am & 11:15am

Jesus' Sermon on the Mount

MATTHEW 5-7; LUKE 6

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus taught how people live in God's kingdom. Jesus came to save His people from sin and change how they live. When people follow Jesus, He changes their hearts so they can live in a way that honors Him.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

What did Jesus teach when He was on earth? *Jesus taught about God and His kingdom.*

KEY PASSAGE PHRASE:

Matthew 5:16

STORY POINT:

Jesus taught about God's kingdom.

[Weekly Leader Training Podcast for Preschoolers](#)



LEARN

GATHER ON THE RUG FOR THE LESSON.

1. WELCOME

- Call the children over to join you on the rug for group time.

SAY

If you had important news to tell a group of friends, how would you share it? [Allow responses.] In today's Bible story, a very large crowd came to see Jesus. He went up on a mountain and sat down to teach them. He taught them many things. Let's read the story together to hear what Jesus said.

2. PLAY THE BIBLE STORY VIDEO ON THE TV.

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)

If you have issues with the video or would prefer low-tech teaching, there is an outline on the next page



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TEACHING OUTLINE

LOW-TECH ALTERNATIVE TO VIDEO

GREET PRESCHOOLERS WITH A SMILE

As preschoolers arrive, sing a song with motions to engage and welcome them with the song [Jesus Is Powerful](#) or the [video](#) by scanning the qr code to find it. Be enthusiastic with hand motions and encourage preschoolers to join you. Help the preschoolers think through what it means to worship God.



TURN TO MATTHEW 5-7; LUKE 6

STORY SCRIPT

One day, a huge crowd of people followed Jesus. Jesus went up on a mountain. He sat down and began to teach the people. Jesus taught about how people live in God's kingdom. Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for the kingdom of heaven is theirs. Blessed are those who are sad now, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the humble, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who want to do what is right, for they will be full. Blessed are those who show mercy, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are those whose hearts are pure, for they will see God. Blessed are those who work for peace, for they will be called sons of God."

Jesus taught that His followers should be like salt and light. Salt makes food taste better, and light makes a dark room bright. Jesus said, "Let your light shine before others so that they may see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven."

Jesus said that we should obey God's laws. He said that we should love our enemies and pray for people who hurt us.

Jesus taught the people how to pray and how to give to the poor. He said we should not do good things just so other people will see us and think we are good. We should do them in secret because God sees what we do and He will reward us.

Jesus told the people not to worry about food or clothes. God feeds the birds and makes the flowers grow. God loves us even more than birds and flowers, and He knows what we need.

Jesus said, "Seek God's kingdom first, and He will provide everything you need."

Jesus finished His sermon. The people were amazed at what Jesus taught! He taught with power, like someone who knew exactly what He was talking about.

Story Telling Tips

- **Use motions:** Create hand motions for parts of the story, like holding hands like a bird or smelling a flower. Instruct the kids to do the motions when they hear those words in the story.
- **Light a candle:** Turn on a battery-operated candle during the part of the story about being a light.



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CHRIST CONNECTION

Jesus taught how people live in God's kingdom. Jesus came to save His people from sin and change how they live. When people follow Jesus, He changes their hearts so they can live in a way that honors Him.

READ Matthew 5:16

SING **Let Your Light Shine** our [memory verse song](#) and [video](#). Scan the qr code.



Let Your Light Shine (Matthew 5:16)

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In the same way, let your light shine before others,
So that they may see your good works
And give glory to your Father in heaven.
Matthew 5:16

3. REVIEW THE BIBLE STORY (OPTIONAL) Ask the following review questions:

- What did you like about the Bible story? *(Answers will vary.)*
- What were some things in the Bible story that made you happy or sad? *(Answers will vary.)*
- Where did Jesus go to teach the people? *(a mountain)*
- What did Jesus say His followers should be like? *(salt and light)*
- Why did Jesus say we shouldn't worry about food or clothes? *(God cares for us and knows what we need.)*
- What did Jesus teach when He was on earth? Jesus taught about God and His kingdom.**

SAY	<i>Jesus went up on a mountain to teach the people. He taught them many things about how people live in God's kingdom. JESUS TAUGHT ABOUT GOD'S KINGDOM and what it means to follow Him. Jesus came to save His people from sin and change how they live. When people follow Jesus, He changes their hearts so they can live in a way that honors Him.</i>
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4. LEARN THE BIG PICTURE QUESTION AND ANSWER

SAY	<i>What did Jesus teach when He was on earth? Jesus taught about God and His kingdom. Jesus went up on a mountain and taught a huge crowd of people. He taught them many things about how people live in God's kingdom. When we follow Jesus, He changes our hearts so we can live in a way that honors Him.</i>
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5. PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE PHRASE

Place the Key Passage Marker at **Matthew 5:16**. Invite a child to open your Bible to the key passage.

SAY	<i>Our key passage says to let your light shine before others. JESUS TAUGHT ABOUT GOD'S KINGDOM and said that His followers should be like light in a dark room. When we follow Jesus, He changes our hearts so that we can live in a way that honors Him and causes others to praise our Father in heaven. Let's practice our key passage together.</i>
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HINT: Let Your Light Shine is our [memory verse song](#) and [video](#). Scan the qr code or replay the Verse Video on the TV under [Pre-K Discipleship](#) called **Let Your Light Shine**.



6. PRAY

SAY	<i>God, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to save us from sin. Thank You for the words He taught. Help us to follow Him and live in a way that honors You. Amen.</i>
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ACTIVITIES

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH BELOW

1. COUNT TWELVE POM-POMS

Hide glow sticks around the room prior to the activity. Gather the kids in the center of the room. Explain that you have hidden glow sticks in the room. Dim the lights to make the glow sticks stand out. Challenge the kids to search for glow sticks and bring them back to you.

SAY	<i>JESUS TAUGHT ABOUT GOD'S KINGDOM and what it means to follow Him. Jesus said His followers should not live the same way as people who do not follow Him. Instead, they should be a light in a dark world. The good things you do can shine so that others will praise God. What are some things you can do this week to be like Jesus?</i>
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2. COLOR THE ACTIVITY PAGE *(please send this home with parents)*

DISMISS PRESCHOOLERS

- Release preschoolers to parents. Check diapers and change if they are dirty then release children by matching up the number on the child's sticker with the guardian receipt. *Some older preschoolers have been having accidents and not telling volunteers. Please take a glance around for wet pants. We have extra clothes in the office (bottom left cabinet in Room 111).*
- Give parents today's activity page to reinforce today's Bible story and Christ connection throughout the week. **Let them know there is a QR code for at home activities and family discipleship.**
- Tell parents something that their child enjoyed doing or did well during the session.