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MARCH 2021

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
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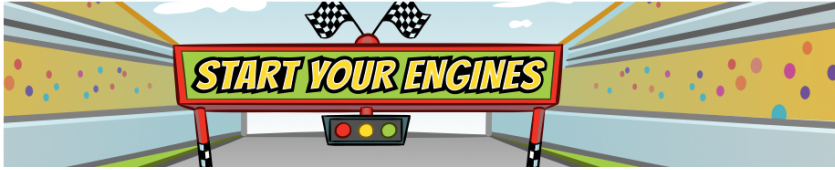
Emcee Script—March 2021, Week 3

Today’s Bible Story: When you love like Jesus, you can love everyone.
Love One Another • *John 13:34-35*

Memory Verse: “Love each other as I have loved you.” John 15:12, NIV

Bottom Line: I can love like Jesus.

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LARGE GROUP: Worship (10 minutes) • Story (10 minutes)

Engage kids' hearts through a dynamic and interactive Bible story, worship, and prayer experience in a Large Group setting.

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Key Question: Who can love like Jesus?

Bottom Line: I can love like Jesus.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

WORSHIP

What You Need: Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at John 15:12, NIV

EMCEE: "Welcome, friends! It's time for worship. One big way we can show Jesus how much we love Him is by singing songs about how awesomely amazing He is! Friends, did you know that Jesus **LOVES** you? It's true. And did you know **YOU** can love others like Jesus loves you? That's what we've been learning about all month long. **Who can love like Jesus?**"

CHILDREN and EMCEE: [*Bottom Line*] "I can love like Jesus."

EMCEE: "Yes, you can! Now let's stand up and show Jesus just how much we love Him as we worship together!"

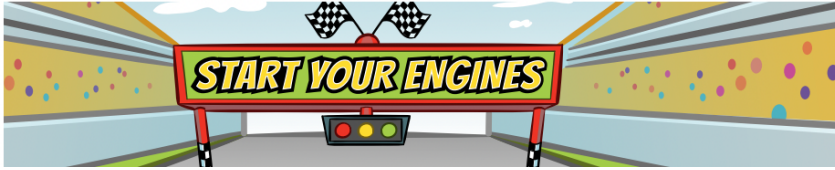
VIDEO: "Love Like Jesus" Dance Moves Music Video

EMCEE: "That was so fun! Jesus can help you and me be a good, good friend and love like Him! In fact, that's what our memory verse is all about. Will you say it with me? 'Love each other (*hug yourself*) as I (*point up*) have loved you,' (*point thumbs to chest*) John 15:12. (*Open hands like a book.*)

Say the verse and do the motions several times.

"Jesus loves us so much! AND, [*Basic Truth*] **Jesus wants to be my friend forever.** One more time, give it everything you've got, **who can love like Jesus?**"

CHILDREN and EMCEE: [*Bottom Line*] "I can love like Jesus."



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STORY

EMCEE: “Hello, friends! I’m [your name]! It’s great to see you here today. Ollie and our friends at the Clubhouse have an awesome true story straight from the Bible to share with you today. You know the song. Come on – let’s sing it together!”

VIDEO: “Love One Another” from Wonder

EMCEE: “We can love like Jesus when we help, when we share, and when we say kind words. And do you know when we can start?”

“RIGHT NOW! So start your engines and let’s go, go, go and do the number one thing—LOVE like Jesus. Tell me, **who can love like Jesus?**”

CHILDREN: *[Bottom Line]* “I can love like Jesus.”

EMCEE: “This side of the room, **who can love like Jesus?**”

CHILDREN: *[Bottom Line]* “I can love like Jesus.”

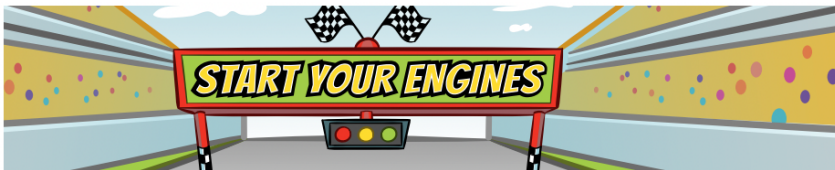
EMCEE: “Now this side of the room, **who can love like Jesus?**”

CHILDREN: *[Bottom Line]* “I can love like Jesus.”

EMCEE: “We only have ONE big thing to remember, and that’s to love like Jesus. Let’s pray and ask God to help us do that this week. Let’s close our eyes as we talk to God.”

PRAYER

EMCEE: “God, thank You for loving us. Help us do the NUMBER one thing and love others like Jesus this week when we help, share, and use kind words. We love You. In Jesus’ name we pray, amen.”



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Small Group Script—March 2021, Week 3

Bible Words: “Love each other as I have loved you.” John 15:12, NIV
Washing Feet • *John 13:3-17*

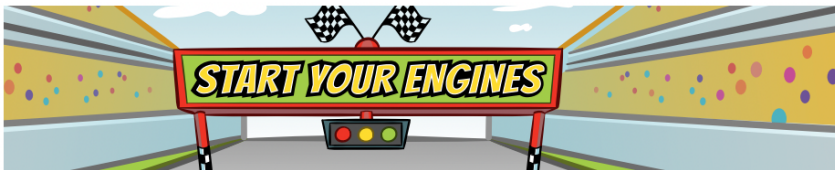
Bottom Line: You can love like Jesus.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

The toddler curriculum provides older toddlers with the story and craft element that some are ready to experience before they enter the twos.

The toddler curriculum is designed to be used in conjunction with the monthly crawler curriculum. Feel free to use both in your classrooms.

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Story Time

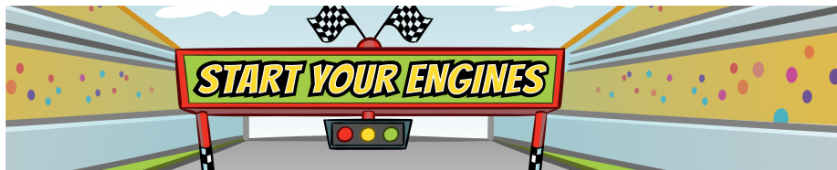
Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story. Some children (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

What You Need: Preschool Bible, butcher paper (Post It Pad), and markers

LEADER: "Hello, friends. I'm so glad you're here today. Come sit with me. Today's true story from the Bible (*hold up the Bible*) is about Jesus and His friends, the disciples.

"Our story starts when Jesus and His friends (*draw stick men friends and Jesus sitting at a table eating*) were eating dinner. They had been walking on dusty roads all day, and their feet were really dirty! (*Draw dirt clouds around their feet.*) But Jesus loved His friends and wanted to show them how much He loved them. So He washed their feet. (*Draw Jesus kneeling down, washing the disciples' feet.*)

"Jesus is a good friend. We can be good friends, too! You can be a good friend when you share a toy. (*Draw two friends sharing a scooter or a ball.*) You can be a good friend when you help a friend. (*Draw a picture of a friend in a swing and a friend behind pushing them.*) You can be a good friend when you say nice words or give a hug. (*Draw two friends side hugging.*) When you do things like that, you are a good friend and loving like Jesus. **[Bottom Line] You can love like Jesus.**"



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Craft Time

Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

What You Need: "Blue Heart" Activity Page; cardstock; scissors; blue water color paints; paint brushes; small bowl; water; wet wipes; and a pen

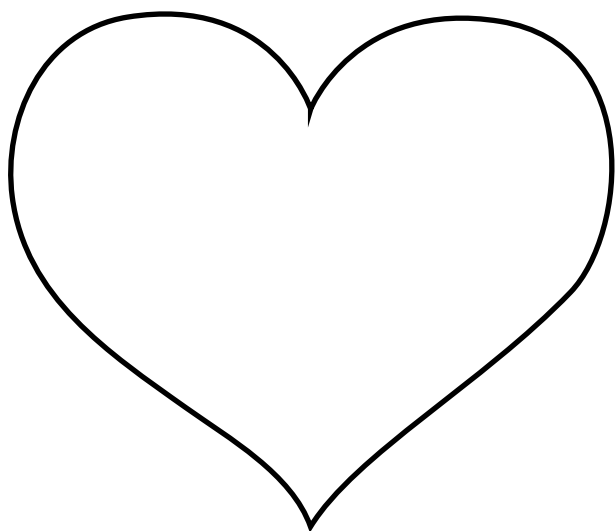
What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Blue Heart" on cardstock and cut apart, one per child. Put a small amount of water in the bowl.

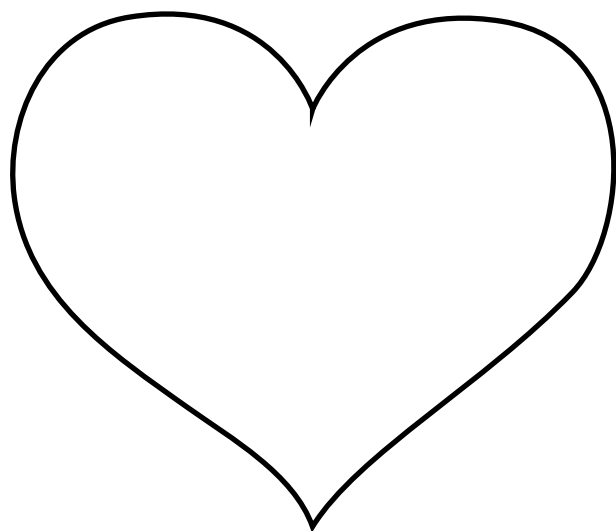
During the Activity: Retell the story. Encourage children to paint their heart with the blue watercolor paint.

What You Say:

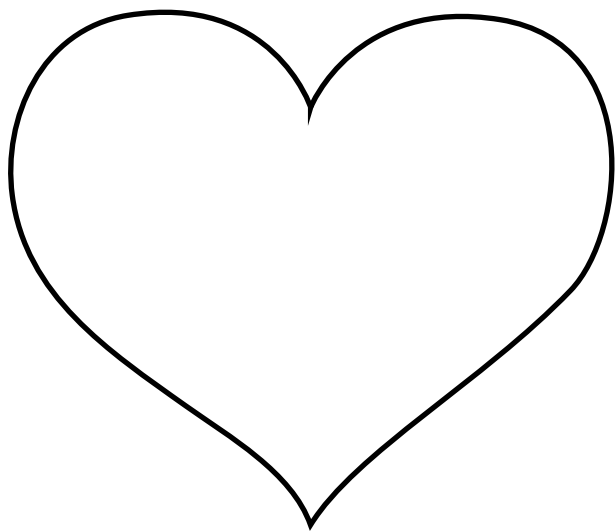
During the Activity: "Jesus loved His friends and wanted to show them how special they were to Him. They had been walking on a really dusty road, and their feet were very dirty. While they ate dinner, Jesus washed their feet. Jesus is so important, but He wasn't too important to wash His friend's feet. Jesus is a good friend. We can be a good friend, too, and love like Jesus. **[Bottom Line] You can love like Jesus.**"



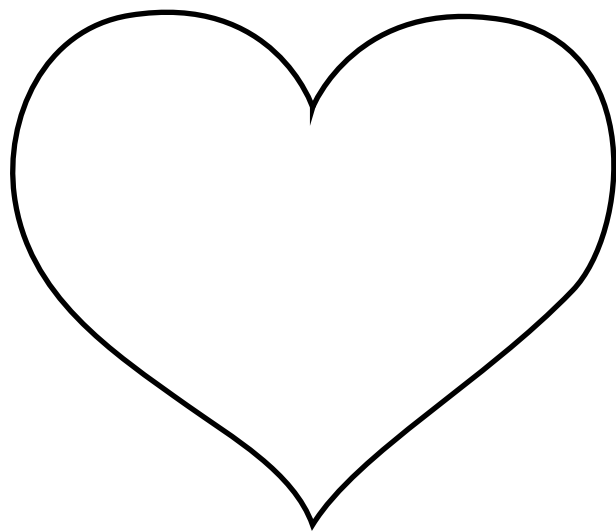
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