

## Reality – Bible Lesson for July 5, 2020 – Preschool

### Worship

#### Lesson 1: Psalms Show Love for God and Show Us How to Worship

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- 2. Scripture:** Psalm 8; Psalm 19; Psalm 34; Psalm 95; Psalm 100; Psalm 139; Psalm 150
- 3. Memory Verse:** "Sing to the LORD. He has done glorious things. Let it be known all over the world." – Isaiah 12:5
- 4. Materials useful for teaching the lesson – Beginning Activity:** a magnifying glass; variety of natural things such as feathers, flowers, seeds, pinecones, and rocks **Craft:** two thick paper plates per child or 4 thin ones; stapler; hole puncher; many colors of thin ribbon; glue or glue sticks; beans or pebbles

#### Craft:

<https://craftingthewordofgod.files.wordpress.com/2013/05/sing-to-the-lord-tambourine3.pdf>

<https://craftingthewordofgod.com/category/bible-crafts/worship-bible-crafts/>

#### Video you can use to reinforce the story:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhjXv0yKZZA>

**1. Prayer and Welcome Activity:** Pray with your children – then introduce the following attention grabber:

Have a magnifying glass and a variety of natural things such as feathers, flowers, seeds, pinecones, and rocks. Allow the children to view things without the magnifying glass – what detail do they notice? Now use the magnifying glass – we often do not see how majestic God's creation is unless we stop and look closely.

Several times during these exercises, REPEAT the Psalm phrase, from Psalm 8:3a, "I think about the heavens. I think about what your fingers have created...."

**2. Bible Story:** (This lesson is not included in any of the children's Bibles – we will be learning about Psalm 23 next week.)

Gather the children and ask them to name some ways that we can worship the Lord. Guide them to say - reading the Bible, praying, helping others, singing praises.

Explain that the class is going to do some of those things in order to "Worship the Lord with gladness."

Next, ask the children if they know what "gladness" means. You may get several

different answers. Again, guide them to the answer: happiness, cheerfulness. Say, "Great! We are going to worship the Lord with cheerful, happy hearts because that's what it means to 'worship the Lord with gladness!'"

**Worship Time:** This will be the time to practice some of the ideas we just talked about as ways to worship.

1. **First, we are going to pray.** Invite every child to pray, knowing that you may have several who are too shy or don't feel comfortable praying. You can give them suggestions for their prayers: giving praise to God, thanking God for family or friends, thanking God for the class, pray for someone who is sick, etc. You may have to coach some of the kids through their prayers once they get started.
2. **Next, we are going to read the Bible.** You can read any of the verses from Psalms that are in the lesson: Psalm 8:1-2; Psalm 19:1; Psalm 34:1; Psalm 95:2; Psalm 100:4; Psalm 139:13-14; or Psalm 150:6. If you have kids who can read, allow them the opportunity to read the verse as well.

**Finally, we are going to sing.** You can begin with "Jesus Loves Me" and then have the preschoolers choose their favorite Bible songs to sing.

### 3. Bible Application - Craft:

#### Praise Tambourine



#### Instructions

1. Print out the template and color it. Use the one that best fits the plates you will be using. You will need two circles.
2. Cut out the circles.

**3. If you want, you can just decorate the plates with your own design instead of using the template.**

4. If the paper plates you will be using are stiff enough you will only need two. One for each side of the tambourine. If they are thin, then use four and staple or glue the two together for each side.
5. If you are using one of the template choices, glue one template to each side.
6. Lay one side down fill it with pinto beans, garbanzo beans or pebbles.
7. Lay the second plate on top. Staple it shut. Add enough staples so that the filling does not come out. **(This is especially important if you are teaching preschool!)**
8. Using a hole puncher, add 4 – 6 holes around the edge and thread them with different colored ribbons.

**4. Memory Verse:** Have the children say the memory verse one more time – “Sing to the LORD. He has done glorious things. Let it be known all over the world.” – Isaiah 12:5

**Follow the Leader –**

The children repeat the verse as they follow the movements the teacher makes. Examples: jump on one foot; move one arm in a circle, etc.

**5. Closing Prayer:** Lead the children in a closing prayer. Encourage your child/children to also say their own individual prayers about any additional concerns they have.

