



WEEK 5

PRESCHOOL LESSON OUTLINE

REVEALED

BIG IDEA

God forgives me.

THE BIBLE

Jesus Talks About Forgiveness: Luke 7:40-50

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

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HACKS FOR TODDLERS

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BY KAREN ERNE

HOW TO HACK THIS SERIES FOR TODDLERS

In children's ministry, you've got a wide range of ages you need to engage every week, but toddlers tend to get overlooked. But you know your toddlers need more than just babysitting, so here are a few adjustments you can make to this week in order to keep your toddlers more engaged.

BIBLE STORY | Luke 7:40-50

Give the kids a shallow pan of water to play in. As they play, read them the Bible story. Tell the kids that the woman was happy Jesus forgave her, that she washed his feet!

ACTIVITY | Spending Money



Toddlers will enjoy playing with play money but they may not understand the concept of how money and payment work. Try this alternative activity for your little ones. Add a bit of vanilla to some edible play dough for the kids to play with. Talk about how nice the dough smells, just like the perfume the woman used for Jesus!

ACTIVITY | Sweet Smells

Before telling the Bible story, lightly spray a blanket with sweet smelling perfume (or even a purifier like Febreze) and invite the kids to snuggle and smell the blanket. Tell them about how the woman in the story showed that she was happy that Jesus forgave her by putting sweet smelling perfume on His feet.

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Karen's passion is connecting little ones to the truths of the Bible. Kids learn when they are playing, so Karen writes fun lessons that will help teachers show kids how much Jesus loves them.

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When Karen is not doing a Bible study with her church friends or helping out at her kids' school, she is often sewing. Karen makes stuffed animals, blankets, toys, and even clothes with her sewing machine.

If you'd like to chat about how your church can more strategically connect parents with ways to teach babies, ones, and twos about the Bible, reach out. She would love to connect with you!

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WELCOME TIME

ACTIVITY | My Shoes

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Use four pairs of adult shoes or ask the kids to take off their shoes. Put the shoes in a pile on the floor. Tell the kids to find shoes that are not theirs and hold them.
- You have shoes that are not your own. **Do you think it would be fair to keep shoes that are not yours?** No, you should find who the shoes belong to.
- Guide the kids to help give the shoes to the kid they belong to (If you used adult shoes, pretend they are all yours).
- If you take something on purpose that belongs to someone else, we hope they'll be kind to you and forgive you.
- Our Bible story today is about how God will forgive you.

ACTIVITY | Find the Money

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Before the kids arrive, hide paper play money in the room. Ask the kids to find the paper money.
- You did a great job finding all of the money I hid in the room!
- Our Bible story will be about money today. People use money to buy the things they need like food or clothes. You can also use money to buy fun things like candy or toys.

TEACHING TIME

MUSIC | Worship Time

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Ask the kids to sing along to a few songs, like:
 - [“Forgiven”](#) by Crowder
 - [“The Forgiveness Song”](#) by VeggieTales

THE BIG IDEA | God forgives me.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Before the kids arrive, write each word of the Big Idea on a separate sheet of colorful paper. Put the words on the floor for the kids to hop on. Get the kids to say each word as they hop on the words.
- Today’s Big Idea is: **God forgives me.**

VIDEO | Revealed, Episode 5

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Play this week’s preschool [teaching video](#).

BIBLE STORY | Luke 7:40-50

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Hold your Bible on your lap as you tell the Bible story. Put a handful of paper play money on the floor in front of you.
- Jesus was teaching friends one day and told them there were two people that owed a man money.
- One person owed the man a lot of money (*Pat the pile of play money*).
- The second person owed the man a little bit of money (*Show just one of the dollars*).
- But both of the men that owed money couldn’t pay it back.
- The man that the people owed money to chose to say, “You don’t have to pay me back.” He forgave the people that owed him money.
- The person that owed just a little tiny bit of money was happy that the man forgave him. Maybe he smiled. **Show me your happy smile.**
- The person that owed a lot of money was excited, super happy, and maybe he danced and cheered. **Show me an excited, super happy dance.**
- There was a woman there with Jesus and his friends that was happy to be forgiven, too. She was so happy, she washed Jesus’ feet with sweet smelling perfume.
- When people know they are forgiven, it makes them happy.
- I am happy **God forgives me.**

✂ **TODDLER HACK:** Give the kids a shallow pan of water to play in. As they play, read them the Bible story. Tell the kids that the woman was happy Jesus forgave her, that she washed his feet!

ACTIVITY | A Little or A Lot

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Before the kids arrive, gather pennies, jingle bells, and beads, to separate out in six empty water bottles. In each pair of bottles, put two objects in one bottle and the rest of the objects in the other bottle. Let the kids explore the six bottles and talk with them about which has a lot and which has a little.

- Our Bible story was about a little and a lot.
- (*Shake the bottle with two pennies/bells/beads.*) This bottle has a little bit of pennies.
- (*Shake the bottle with a lot of pennies/bells/beads.*) This bottle has a lot of pennies.
- **Is having a LOT of something good or bad? Why do you think that?**

PRAYER

- Dear God, I am so happy You forgive me. I am so super excited You love me. Amen.

DISCUSSION TIME

SNACK | Sweet Smelling Oranges

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Help the kids peel their own mandarin oranges for a snack.*
- These oranges smell so sweet and nice just like the nice smelling perfume in our Bible

ACTIVITY | Spending Money

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Set up a play store with paper play money for the kids to pretend with. Add things like plastic play food, a cash register, and paper grocery bags.*
- When you play store, you can tell someone how much money they need to pay. **Did the person who owed a lot of money in our Bible story have to pay it back?** No, he didn't. The man forgave him.
- **Did the person who owed just a little bit of money have to pay it back?** No, he didn't. The man forgave him, too.
- **Were the people happy the man forgave them?** Yes, they were happy.
- I am happy **God forgives me.**
- story today.

✂ **TODDLER HACK:** *Try this with your toddlers. Add a bit of vanilla to some edible play dough for the kids to play with. Talk about how nice the dough smells, just like the perfume the woman used for Jesus!*

VIDEO | "Bible Theater"

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Watch [this video](#) of Luke 7 when the woman put perfume on Jesus' feet.
- **What did the woman put on Jesus' feet?** Nice smelling perfume.
- **Why did the woman put perfume on Jesus' feet?** She wanted to show Jesus she was so happy Jesus forgave her.
- **Does God forgive you?** Yes! God forgives all of us.

MEMORY VERSE | Jeremiah 33:3

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Say the memory verse together a couple times. Then, start saying the verse, but pause randomly and prompt the kids to supply the word that comes next. Repeat as many times as desired, stopping at different places!*

PLAY TIME

While you're waiting for parents to pick up their kids . . .

ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give every kid a coloring page, plus markers or crayons. Add a scented marker or a dot of perfume to each kid's coloring page. As they color, remind them of all the times God has forgiven them.

ACTIVITY | Coin Rubbings

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Before the kids arrive, secure coins to the tabletop using double-sided tape or glue dots. Place a sheet of paper over the coins and show the kids how to use a crayon to rub over the paper to make coin rubbings. Supervise all coin play carefully.
- You can make a picture that looks like these coins.
- These little coins are money. Our Bible story is about how the people owed money, but the man said they didn't have to pay him back. The man forgave the people just like God forgives us.

ACTIVITY | Sweet Smells

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Before the kids arrive, put different perfumes onto cotton balls for the kids to smell.
- This perfume smells sweet and nice. **Which one do you like the best?**
- The woman in the story gave Jesus her favorite perfume to say thank you.
 - ✂ **TODDLER HACK:** Lightly spray a blanket with sweet smelling perfume (or even a deodorizer like Febreze) and invite the kids to snuggle and smell the blanket. Tell them about how the woman in the story showed that she was happy that Jesus forgave her by putting sweet smelling perfume on His feet.

Encourage your preschoolers to help clean up the room while they wait for their parents.