

What Can I Do (4 years - Pre-K)

Week 3

BIG IDEA

I can trust God's plans for me.

BIBLE

Jesus Calls Andrew, Peter, James, and John: Mark 1:14
-20

WELCOME TIME

ACTIVITY | Puzzle Plans

CHECK IN: Andrew S.

Greet each preschooler animatedly as they arrive and help them feel welcome and secure. Parents will feel more assured leaving their little ones, and it will help preschoolers to connect with you.

Bracelets: Kelly W.

SOUND: Leila

ACTIVITY: Kat/Melissa

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Have preschoolers work together to put together a giant [construction-themed floor puzzle](#). Alternatively, you can print out pictures of construction vehicles, cut them into six to eight pieces, and place them in individual baggies for kids to put together independently.
 - **TODDLER HACK:** Use shape-sorting chunky puzzles (like [this](#)) that are easier to grab and match for toddlers. Allow them to play with the pieces as toys also. Puzzles are a toddler favorite as they are starting to develop their problem-solving skills. A puzzle can be anything that requires them to sort or put things together. You can create simple puzzles for toddlers by cutting a simple picture into three parts or making a hole in a box to stick things into.
- A puzzle follows a clear plan. Every piece has a place where it belongs and that's what makes the big picture come together. **What happens when you try to put a piece where it doesn't go?** If you put the pieces in the wrong place, the picture would be very different!
- Today we are going to talk about how God has a plan for all of us. We can trust God's plans because God sees the big picture.

WELCOME AND RULES: Bella

1. Put Up
2. Sit Up
3. Look Up
4. Zip Up

5. Have Fun!

Any Memory Verse Charts from last week?: Kat/Melissa

If yes, bring them on stage for a picture and then remember when parents come, they can pick out a toy from the treasure chest.

TITHES/OFFERINGS: Kat/Melissa

Books of the Bible: Bella-Nahum

WORSHIP: Bella

1. New Day

2. Rainbow

STORY TIME

BIG IDEA | I can trust God's plans for me. - Andrew

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Introduce this weeks big idea
- **What can I do?** Today's Big Idea says . . . **I can be sure Jesus knows me!**
 - **I** (*Point to self.*)
 - **Can trust** (*Clasp hands together.*)
 - **God's** (*Point to sky.*)
 - **Plans for me** (*Hold out hands like a book.*)

SCRIPTURE | Mark 1:14-20 (Jesus Calls Andrew, Peter, James, and John)- Kat/Melissa

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Prepare props like hard hats, safety goggles, and toy tools to decorate your space and allow kids to play with.*
- **What do you call people who make buildings, bridges, and houses?** Builders or construction workers!
 - People who work in construction have to follow the plans they've been given. They trust those plans to help them make tall buildings, bridges, churches, and the homes we live in.
 - Let's pretend we are on a construction site.
 - **Safety first!** Pretend to put on your hard hats and your safety goggles.
 - **Can you name what kinds of construction vehicles you would see?**
Excavators, diggers, tractors, bulldozers, rollers, dump trucks.
 - **Let's pretend to use a hammer.** Tap one of your fists with your other fist.
 - **Now let's saw a piece of wood.** Hold out one hand and slide the side of your hand on top back and forth.
 - **Now let's drill into the ground with a jackhammer!** Put your hands out in front of you (like you're holding a scooter) and jump around really fast!
- In the Bible, in Mark chapter 1, Jesus showed a group of people that God had plans for them . . . but they were different from building plans.
- There were four people: Simon, Andrew, James, and John. They were fishers. Their job was to go out every day to catch fish that they could sell or eat.

- Jesus came and gave them a new job. He told them to stop fishing because he had better plans for them. He told them instead of fishing for fish, they could follow Jesus and help him fish for people.
 - **Fish for people? What do you think that means?**
 - It meant that Simon, Andrew, James, and John would go tell other people to follow Jesus.
- When Jesus told them to follow him, they left everything and followed him right away! That's because they trusted God's plans for them.

Pray

I can do all things

(point to self)

through Christ

(point up)

who strengthens me

(flex muscles)

Philippians 4:13

(make bible with hands)

Loren - Play transitional video and then release to small groups

SHARING TIME

ACTIVITY | Circle Time

Icebreaker- Introduce yourself and get to know your small group kids

Give out stickers for participation!

If children don't know the answer to a question, help by prompting them/giving hints or have

them repeat the answer after you. ALWAYS use encouragement during small group time

- **What job did Andrew, Peter, James and John have in our story?** *They were fishers.*
- **Who went to them and asked them to follow him?** *Jesus.*
- **Instead of fishing for fish, what would they fish for now?** *People.*
- **What did they do when Jesus told them to follow him?** *They left everything and followed Jesus.*
- **Did they trust God's plan for them?** *Yes!*
- **Can you trust God's plans?** *Yes!*
- **I can trust God's plans for me.**

MEMORY VERSE | Philippians 4:13 (NIV)

- "I can do all this through him who gives me strength."
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Use these hand motions to practice the memory verse together:*
- *give out stickers for participation.*

- **I can do all things**
(point to self)

through Christ
(point up)

who strengthens me
(flex muscles)

Philippians 4:13
(make bible with hands)

PRAYER

Ask for prayer requests and write prayer requests on a prayer card. Then pray together

- Dear God, thank you for having big plans for me. I know I can trust everything you have planned for me. Amen.

ACTIVITY | Follower Fish Craft

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Cut some simple fish shapes out of construction paper. Give toddlers a large piece of paper and have them glue on different fish using a glue stick.*
- Today we heard a story of Jesus calling four fishermen to follow him. Let's make a fun craft to remind us that we can follow Jesus too!

Treasure Boxes!

PLAY TIME

ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Print and distribute the [coloring page](#) along with crayons or markers. As the kids color, you can review today's Bible story, Big Idea, and memory verse.*

Discuss with kids as they color about the bible story, memory verse and big idea. Remember, repetition is key :)

ACTIVITY | Build A Building

Andrew S.- Gather all the kids on the rug after small groups, after everyone is ready have Leila lead the game

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Give preschoolers ten cardboard blocks or plastic cups. Have kids work together to build a tall tower. If working with cups, show them how to build a foundation and stack the cups so they don't fall.*
- Builders use plans to build things. Plans help them know what they're working on. Without a plan, you wouldn't know how tall a building has to be, how many rooms to build, where to put doors or stairs . . . you wouldn't even know what you were building!
- In today's Bible story, we'll see that there were four people who had a solid plan about what they would do for the rest of their lives. But God's plans were better!

PICK UP: Andrew and Kat/Melissa

-Call names, Check Tags and Parent Handouts

RUNNER: Kelly W. (Help direct kids to their parents)

Play with preschoolers: Bella

*** Everyone else- help engage kids in the room as names are called**

***After** kids are picked up, please clean up and wipe down tables and chairs :)