

TWO-THREE CURRICULUM

JUNE 14

Kingdom Quest—Seeking the Greatest Treasure

Bible Story: The Story of the Lost Sheep • Luke 15:1-7 (supporting 1 Timothy 1:15)

Bottom Line: Jesus made a way for you to be part of God's kingdom.

Monthly Memory Verse: "May your kingdom come. May what you want to happen be done on earth as it is done in heaven." • Matthew 6:10 NIV

SOCIAL ACTIVITY

Opening Activity

What You Need:

- UNO

What You Do:

- Welcome kids by name with a high five or fist bump.
- Invite any kids who brought an offering to place it in the offering container.
- Play UNO.

SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY:

1. Found Sheep

What You Need:

- Sticky notes (1 per kid)
- Prepared Sticky notes (5 per group)
- Coloring supplies

What You Do:

- Stick the 5 prepared sticky notes to a wall in your activity area.
- Give each kid a sticky note and something to draw with.
- Ask each kid to draw a sheep on their sticky note.
- Collect the sheep and randomly stick the sheep to a wall across the room with the sticky note-sheep you already drew.
- Open the Bible to Luke 15:1-7 and show the kids where the story is in the Bible.
- Review the Bible Story in parts:
 - "There were people who always made good choices who were wondering why Jesus hung out with people who made wrong choices."

- "Jesus wanted to teach something about God, so He told them a story."
- "The story was about a shepherd who had 100 sheep, but one got lost!"
- "The shepherd left the 99 and looked and looked for his lost sheep."
- "When he found it, he brought it home and was so happy!"
- Invite one kid at a time to go find their sheep, stick the sheep sticky note to their shoulder, then walk back to the group.
 - "The shepherd found his lost sheep! He was so happy!"
- Ask: "Was it hard to find the sheep you drew? (*Pause for responses.*) No matter what, you are important to God! He wants you to come home to Him!"
- Say: "Everyone, place your sheep in the middle."
- Say: "Now let's all celebrate like the shepherd did in the story! Everyone jump for joy or have a little dance party! You found your sheep!"

What You Say:

"Great job, everyone! That was so much fun and helped us remember our Bible Story from today! Jesus told the parable or story of the lost sheep to help us know that you are that very loved little sheep that Jesus went after.

"But Jesus loves you so much! He gave His life, He paid for your sin, and went and picked you up and brought you back home to Him!"

2. Find the Lost Sheep Verse

What You Need:

- "Find the Lost Sheep Verse" Activity Page

What You Do:

- Give kids a Bible and direct them to look up Matthew 6:10.
- Demonstrate how to look up the verse.
- Repeat the Memory Verse out loud together several times.
- Show the kids each sheep. Lay them on the floor in order, and say the Memory Verse together, pointing to each sheep as you go.

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- Say: “Okay, everyone, close your eyes! A sheep is about to get lost!”
- While their eyes are closed, scramble the sheep, then hide one of the sheep in your lap.
- Say: “Okay, open your eyes! Oh no, one of our verse sheep is lost! Which one is missing?”
- Say: “Let’s put the sheep verse in order to help us figure out which sheep is missing.” (*Read the words on each sheep as they are put in order.*)
- Say: “Hmm, that’s kind of hard. Let’s say the whole verse together, and I’ll point to each sheep as we say that part. You can help me discover which sheep is missing.” (*Say the verse, and point to each sheep.*)
- Say: “You figured out which sheep was missing! (*Reveal the sheep from your lap, and place it in the correct spot.*) Yay! You found the missing sheep!”
- If time allows, scramble the sheep cards, hide a different one, and play again.

What You Say:

“You found the missing sheep! You are such good shepherds. The shepherd in our story was so happy when he found his lost sheep, and we are so happy we found our missing verse piece!”

3. Pray and Dismiss

What You Need:

- Construction paper (Cut paper into one-inch wide strips, one per kid).
- Coloring supplies/pencils
- Clear tape

What You Do:

- Give each kid a strip of paper and ask them to write or draw someone from their family who needs to know about Jesus.
- Take one kid’s strip, loop it through one of the end circles of the paper chain from Week One, form it into a circle, and tape it closed.
- Take the next kid’s strip and loop it through the first circle before taping it, adding to the chain.
- Continue with each kid’s strip of paper.

What You Say:

“Look at our beautiful prayer chain! It’s getting bigger, isn’t it? It’s so cool to see so many names added to our prayer chain! God loves every name you wrote, and Jesus came to make a way so everyone could be part of God’s kingdom! Let’s talk to God together.”

NOTE: Save them in the bottom of cart for next 2 weeks.

Prayer:

“Dear God, thank You for loving us so much. Thank You for being like the shepherd who comes to find us when we’re lost. We are so happy that Jesus made a way for us to be part of God’s kingdom. Help us share Your love with others this week. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”