

February Weeks 3 and 4



February 18th/19th
February 25th/26th

OVERVIEW CARD

THE FOUR FRIENDS

Basic Truth:

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Bottom Line:

Jesus is there when I need Him.

Bible Words:

"You are everything I need." Psalm 119:57 NlrV
The Four Friends
Mark 2:1-12

Music:

God Made Me - #9 "Reach Up High" CD
Jesus Loves Everyone - #10 "Reach Up High" CD
Wiggle Your Fingers - #11 "Reach Up High" CD

Coloring Page:

All the Time.

Bible Lesson:

God's Story for Me Bible
Friends Help a Lame Man
Pages 330 to 335

Story:

I Know Jesus Loves Me
by P.K. Hallinan

Service Time:

62 minutes (week 3)
62 minutes (week 4)

Memory Verse –

"You are everything I need."

Psalm 119:57, NlrV

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ACTIVITY 1 – Ones THE FOUR FRIENDS

Story Time

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

What You Need: Preschool Bible, clock

What You Say:

LEADER: "Hello, friends! We've been learning a great story from the Bible (*hold up Bible*) this month, and it's all about some friends! Who can remember how many friends there were in our Bible story? (*Pause.*) Yes, four! There were four friends.

"Who did the four friends go to see? (*Pause.*) Yes, they went to see Jesus. They carried their friend on a mat because he couldn't walk. His legs didn't work. They believed that Jesus could help their friend.

"When the FOUR friends got to where Jesus was, the house was FULL of what? (*Pause.*) Yes, people. The house was full of people. It was a BIG crowd. They tried to go through the front door. But there were too many people! Oh, no! What were they going to do? The FOUR friends couldn't get their hurt friend to Jesus! How did they get their friend in to see Jesus?

"They climbed up on the roof and cut a hole in it to lower their friend down into the house where Jesus was. They lowered him down from the roof. That is AMAZING!

"Did Jesus help the man on the mat? (*Pause.*) Yes! Jesus told them man to get up and walk and he did! The hurt man got right up off the mat and walked. Jesus helped him.

"Jesus is always there when we need Him. And He wants to help us all the time. (*Hold up clock.*) He wants to help us no matter what time it is. He wants to help us when it's three o'clock. (*Point to the three.*) He wants to help us when it's six o'clock. (*Point to the six.*) He wants to help us when it's nine o'clock. Jesus wants to help us all the time.

"I'm SO glad that Jesus was there to help the man who couldn't walk! And Jesus is there for us too. **Who is there when you need Him?**"

CHILDREN and LEADER: "Jesus is there when I need Him."

LEADER: "Again! **Who is there when you need Him?**"

CHILDREN and LEADER: "Jesus is there when I need Him."

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