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Garden
Wonderful Workshop
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CRAFT

Story Wheel

SUPPLIES: Blue/Purple Circle, Water jug, metal brad, purple and blue

crayons

TIPS: Pre-assemble one story wheel so you can demonstrate. Only

give children blue and purple crayons so that they will use the

correct colors!

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ Have children take a seat. Review the Bible story.

 "In our true Bible story today, we learned about a time when Jesus turned water into super-fancy party drink. Wow! That was amazing!

- ⇒ Pass out circle. Have children color one side blue and the other side purple.
 - o "This is your circle. We are going to color one side blue and the other side purple. Do you see the colored dots on there? Match your crayon coloring with the dots you see. Great job!
- ⇒ Help children attach the color wheel to the back of the water jug using a metal brad.
 - o "Here is a water jug. We are going to attach your circle to the water jug with this metal brad. I can help you!"

⇒ Complete craft and Bring it Back to Jesus

- o "Now let's use these story wheels to retell our Bible story.
- One day, Jesus was at a wedding with His mom and friends, the disciples. Jesus' mom came to Him and said that they had run out of the fancy wedding drink. She told the helpers to do whatever Jesus told them. Jesus told the helpers to fill up some jars with water! Hold up your jar and show me the blue water!
- Then, Jesus did something amazing that only He can do. Jesus turned the water into super fancy wedding drink. Let's spin our wheel to the party drink! Wow! Jesus turned water into super-fancy party drink. Jesus can do amazing things! Now you can retell the story at home to your families! Jesus can do amazing things that only he can do!
- o Who is amazing? Jesus is amazing!"

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ACTIVITY #1

Experiment: Water to Wine

SUPPLIES: Large clear jar, water, color changer tablet.

SET-UP: Fill the jar with warm water

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ Have children gather around the table.

- "Friends, we learned in our true Bible story today about a time that Jesus turned water into a super-fancy party drink. Only Jesus can do that!
- Well, today we are going to do a fun experiment to see if we can pretend to turn our water into fancy party drink, too!

⇒ Drop a color changer tablet into the water.

- o "I've got a jar of water right here. Do you think it will turn into fancy, fizzy party drink? Hmmmmm let's see!
- o WOW! Look at that! Now we've got what looks like a fancy party drink!"

⇒ Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.

- "That was so amazing! You know we were able to do a trick to make the water turn from clear to (say the color)! I actually used a color changer tablet to do that trick, and this wouldn't taste good at all! But Jesus? He performed a miracle! Jesus is so amazing that he turned the water into super-fancy party drink. Only Jesus could do that!
- O Who is amazing?
- o Jesus is amazing!"

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ACTIVITY #2

Memory Verse

SUPPLIES: None needed

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ This activity can be done from spots at the table or spaced out in the center of the room.
 - "Friends, we have an awesome memory verse to practice! I want to try saying it in lots of different ways!
- ⇒ Use a clever song to help the children remember:
 - Sung to the tune of "If you're happy and you know it""

Everyone who heard him was amazed. (clap clap) Everyone who heard him was amazed. (clap clap) Everyone who heard him, Yes, Everyone who heard him, Yes Everyone who heard him was amazed. (clap clap)

- Repeat with Stomp Stomp and Hooray!
- ⇒ Do memory verse all together in a variety of ways.
 - o "Everyone who heard him was amazed." Luke 2:47
 - Super loud
 - Super quiet
 - Really fast
 - Really Slow
 - Jumping up and down
 - Running in Place
 - All the boys
 - All the girls
 - Kids only
 - Teachers only
- ⇒ Repeat as long as children are interested. If time permits, you can do one person at a time and give out stickers.
- ⇒ Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.
 - o "Who is amazing? Jesus is amazing!"

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Read – Ask – Practice – Pray

Here are some ideas to try in a group or one-on-one.

2-year-olds are all at different stages of development! Some are ready to answer big questions and say the memory verse, while others aren't ready to talk yet. Even if they aren't ready to answer, they are listening!

READ

- ⇒ Read from the Bible.
 - o The Beginner's Bible: Jesus' First Miracle, p. 314

ASK A QUESTION

Who is amazing? Jesus is amazing!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"Everyone who heard him was amazed." Luke 2:47

SAY A PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for making me.

Thank you for loving me.

Thank you for sending Jesus to be my friend forever.

Amen.