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CRAFT WEEK 5

Coat Creations

SUPPLIES:

Coat page, crayons, small heart stickers

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ Give each child a coat cutout and write their names on the back.
 - "Friends, come have a seat at the table with me! In our story today, we learned that Tabitha loved like Jesus by making clothes for people who need them. Let's make a coat like Tabitha.
- ⇒ Encourage children to color their coat and put heart stickers on it.
 - "Let's make our coats beautiful by coloring them. Use different colors and create something amazing!
 - "Look at these stickers. What are they? (Pause.) That's right! They're hearts.
 Hearts remind us of love. Let's stick hearts on our coats to remember that we can love like Jesus."
- ⇒ Bring it Back to the Bottom Line.
 - o "In our story, Tabitha looked for ways to love like Jesus. She was good at sewing, so she looked for ways she could help others with her sewing. She loved like Jesus by helping. We can love like Jesus and look for ways to help others too!
 - Who can love like Jesus?I can love like Jesus!"

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ACTIVITY #1 Love Pass

SUPPLIES: Paper hearts

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ Gather children in a seated circle.
 - "Friends, come sit in a circle with me. I have a game for us to play where we can spread the love. Everybody take your pointer finger and your thumb and pretend you are pinching something. We are going to use these fingers today to pass the love around the circle."
- ⇒ Pinch one heart in your fingers and explain that you will pass the heart around the circle from friend to friend.
 - "I'm going to turn to the friend next to me, [child's name], and pass the heart. [Child's name] will pinch the heart with their fingers and when they have it, I will let it go. Then [child's name] will turn to the friend next to them and we'll keep going and going until it makes it back to me. Let's practice. (Pinch a heart and pass it to the friend next to you.) Here it comes. (Help guide the process with your words.) Great job, everyone! Let's do it again with this [color] heart!" (Repeat as desired.)
- ⇒ Bring it back to the Bottom Line.
 - "You helped each other play the game of passing the heart—the love around our circle! When you were helping each other, you were loving like Jesus!
 - o Who can love like Jesus?
 - I can love like Jesus!"

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ACTIVITY #2 Freeze Dance

SUPPLIES: CD Player, Worship CD

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ Have children join you in the center of the room and space out.
 - "Friends, when I think of how much Jesus loves me, it makes me so happy. And when I remember that I can love just like Jesus, it makes me want to dance. I am going to turn on a song and when you hear the music, I want you to DANCE! When the music stops, everyone FREEZE! Let's practice freezing right now. FREEZE!
 - ∘ Great job! Are you ready to play? Let's go!
- ⇒ Play music and let kids dance. Pause music and have them freeze.
 - o "FREEZE!
 - o Who can love like Jesus?
 - I can love like Jesus!
 - Let's dance!
- ⇒ Repeat as long as children are interested.
- ⇒ Complete the activity and then bring it back to the bottom line.
 - "Great dancing, everyone!!
 - Who can love like Jesus?
 - o I can love like Jesus!

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READ, ASK, PRACTICE, & PRAY SEPTEMBER WEEK 5

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 A STORY

How Much Does God Love You? By Michelle Medlock Adams

ASK A QUESTION

Who can love like Jesus?

I can love like Jesus!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"You are the light of the world." Matthew 5:14

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.