

February Week 2

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CRAFT WEEK 2

Missing Sheep Game

SUPPLIES:

Sheep card, cotton ball, glue, cups, (3 per child), instructions sticker, white bags, crayons

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Gather the children at the table.**

- *“Friends! Today for our craft we’re going to make a game that will help you remember today’s Bible Story.”*

⇒ **Give each child a sheep card and a cotton ball. Encourage the children to color their sheep and then glue a cotton ball to it. Give each child 3 cups and demonstrate the game for them. Give each child an instruction sticker to put on their white bag.**

- *“Look at this cute little sheep! (Hold up your example.) Use the crayons to color it and you can add one cotton ball to it to make it fluffy! (Pause.) Great job! Now fold it so it stands like mine. (Put your folded sheep on the table.) The sheep in our story was missing. (Put three cups on the table upside down, one covering the sheep.) Now my sheep is missing! (Slide the cups around on the table without lifting them.) Do you know where my sheep is? (Pause for responses.) Let’s see. (Lift up the selected cup.) No ... not under that cup. What about this one? (Continue until the sheep is found.) There’s my sheep! Thank you for helping find it! Now, you play! (Give each child three cups. Placing each upside down on the table in front of them, covering the sheep with one of the cups.) That was so much fun! Let’s get our bags for you to take your game home in. Add this label to the bag. (Pause.) It has directions on how to play the game. Now stack your cups together and put them into your bag with your cute little sheep.”*

⇒ **Review the Bible Story and bring it back to the Bottom Line**

- *“Today we heard a story Jesus shared about a shepherd who had 100 sheep, and one went missing. The shepherd loved all his sheep so much that when he saw one was missing, he made sure the other sheep were safe then went looking for it. The shepherd was so happy to find his missing sheep that when he got home, he celebrated! Friends, Jesus loves US like the shepherd loved his sheep. Jesus loves EVERYONE no matter where we are or what we’ve done. Jesus always sees us and wants to bring us close to Him.*
- *“Jesus told the story of the shepherd leaving his 99 sheep to find the one lost sheep because He loves everyone just like the shepherd loved his sheep. No matter where we are or what we’ve done, Jesus always sees us and wants to bring us close to Him. Jesus loves everyone!*
- **“Who loves you?**
- **“Jesus loves me!”**

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ACTIVITY #1

Sheep Here, Sheep There

SUPPLIES: Cotton balls (1 per child)

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Encourage the children to spread out.**

- *“Hello, hello friends! I have a fun game for us to play today. Come join me over here and spread out so we all have plenty of room to move around.”*

⇒ **Give each child a cotton ball and challenge them to balance the cotton ball on different body parts.**

- *“Okay, we are going to pretend that these fluffy cotton balls are sheep. Everybody gets one fluffy sheep. (Hand each child a cotton ball.) Okay! Listen closely and we are going to try and balance our sheep on our ... foot! Put your sheep on your foot. (Pause.) If it falls off, that’s okay! Pick it up and put it back on! Put your sheep on your... elbow! (Pause.) Hooray! Great job! Now put your sheep on your ... ear! (Continue with different places like elbow, wrist, back, head, etc.) Wow, great job everyone! I have one more place for us to put our sheep. Ready? Put your sheep on your ... shoulder! (Pause.) Fantastic! Everyone, bring your sheep and put them in the container.”*

⇒ **Bring it back to the Bottom Line.**

- *“The shepherd was so happy he celebrated with his friends and neighbors when he found his lost sheep. Let’s celebrate, too, with a little dance party. Everyone show me your best move! (Pause.) Nice! Jesus told this story because He loves everyone just like the shepherd loved his sheep. Jesus loves you, and **Jesus loves me!***
- **Who loves you?**
- **Jesus loves me!”**

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ACTIVITY #2

Find the Love

SUPPLIES: Heart Stress Balls

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Gather children in the center of the room.**

- *“Look at all these hearts I have! Hearts remind us of love. These hearts will help us remember that Jesus loves us. Close your eyes while I hide the hearts around the room.”*

⇒ **Scatter the hearts around the room.**

- *“Let’s see if we can find all the hearts! Bring them back to me!”*

⇒ **Have children collect all the hearts.**

- *“Great work, everybody! You found all the hearts.*
- ***Who loves you?***
- ***Jesus loves me!”***

⇒ **Let the children play as long as they are interested.**

⇒ **Bring it Back to Jesus.**

- *“Jesus loves you so much and we can find the love of Jesus everywhere!*
- ***Who loves you? Jesus loves me!***

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ACTIVITY #3

Memory Verse Practice

SUPPLIES: Reward Stickers

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!”*

- ⇒ **Do memory verse all together in a variety of ways.**
 - *“First, let’s say it once together. ‘Jesus said (tap finger to middle of each palm) “Let the children (point to children) come to me,” (move hands toward self) Matthew 19:14.” (Open hands like a book.) Now let’s try it...*
 - *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 Bring it Back to the Bottom Line.**
 - *“Nice work, my friends!*
 - ***Who loves you?***
 - ***Jesus loves me!”***

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READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY FEBRUARY WEEK 2

PASS OUT MOON SAND

READ

- *The Beginner's Bible* p 391 "The Lost Sheep"

REVIEW *(You may choose to pass out stickers as kids answer!)*

⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line

- ***Who loves you?***
- ***Jesus loves me!***

⇒ Memory Verse

- **Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." Matthew 19:14**

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

⇒ "Jesus loves us so much. Jesus loves everyone, and we can love everyone, just like Jesus! Let's make a list of people we love. When I say your name, tell me **one person you love!**

- *Write each child's name on the weekly question strip/board/paper.*

⇒ Let's use our list when we pray...

⇒ Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**:

- *"Dear God, thank You for Jesus, and how He loves us like the shepherd loved his sheep. We love (read the list the children made) and Jesus does too! We love You, God! In Jesus' name. Amen."*