

September Week 1

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CRAFT WEEK 1

Feed the Lion

SUPPLIES:

Lion cutouts, craft tubes, clear tape, pom poms, parent note, crayons

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Give each child a lion cutout, craft tube, and crayons.**
 - *"In our true story from the Bible, Daniel was in a den with lions. But God was with him and kept him safe! Let's make our very own lion to remember the story."*
- ⇒ **Encourage the children to color the lion and the craft tube. Tape each child's lion head to the top of their craft tube with the picture facing the inside of the tube. Give each child a handful of pom-poms and ask them to feed their lions.**
 - *"Here is a lion face. Let's make him a happy lion! You can use the crayons/markers to give him and your tube some color. (Allow time to decorate.) Now I'll attach your lion to your tube. (Attach the lion to the back, facing in at the top of their tube.) Look! Your lions look great! Let's feed them like this! (Demonstrate dropping a pom-pom into a tube.) Your turn! (Give each child 3 pom-poms and let them feed their lions.) Great job, friends!"*
- ⇒ **Give each child a parent note and help them put the lion, pom poms, and parent note in their bags. Review the Bible Story and bring it back to the Bottom Line**
 - *"Let's pack them up to take home!" (Help children put their lions, the pom-poms, and the parent note inside their bag.)*
 - *"Your lion can help you remember that even when Daniel was with big lions, he wasn't scared because God was with him. God is always with you, too!"*
 - **"Who is always with you?"**
 - **"God is always with me!"**

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ACTIVITY #1

Animal Charades

SUPPLIES: Animal Cards, bag

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Gather the children on the carpet.**

- *“Let’s play a game! What animal was Daniel stuck with? (Pause.) That’s right! Lions! Can everyone ROAR for me? ROAR! Great job! We’re going to play a game where we pretend to be animals. We are each going to take a turn picking a card and acting like that animal so our friends can guess what animal it is!”*

⇒ **Pull a card and encourage the children to act like each of the animals.**

- *“Look at this first picture! (Hold up the lion picture.) What is it? (Pause for responses.) A LION! What does a lion say? Let me hear your biggest ROAR! (Lead the children in a big roar.) ROAR! Can you roar and move like a big, strong lion? (Pause.) Good job, lions! Okay, what’s next? (Hold up the monkey picture.) It’s a MONKEY! What does a monkey say? Ooh-ooh-aah-aah! (Make monkey sounds and scratch under your arms.) Can you act like a monkey? (Pause.) Good job! What about this one? (Hold up the bird picture.) It’s a BIRD! What does a bird say? Tweet, tweet! Can you flap your wings and fly like a bird? (Pause.) Flap, flap, flap! Good job, birds! (Continue with the remaining pictures.) Wow! You were wonderful animals!”*

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

- *“Great job, friends! Daniel was safe in the lions’ den because he knew that God was with him. And just like God was with Daniel, He is with you, too. No matter where you are or what you’re doing, God is always with you.*
- ***“Who is always with you?”***
- ***“God is always with me!”***

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ACTIVITY #2

Parachute

SUPPLIES: Earth stress balls, parachute

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Have children join you around the parachute. Put the earths on the parachute.**
 - *“Friends, let’s have some fun together! Who can tell me what this ball looks like? (Pause.) That’s right! The world/earth! This is the world where we live. There is nowhere in the whole world that we can go away from God because God is always with us! Let’s put these worlds on the parachute and when I tell you, we can shake the parachute to get them all off.”*
- ⇒ **Turn the music on and have children join you in bouncing the parachute: High, low, fast, slow, etc. Each time all the earths bounce off, ask...**
 - *“Who is always with you?”*
 - *“God is always with me!”*
- ⇒ **Repeat as long as children are interested.**
- ⇒ **Bring it Back to the Bottom Line.**
 - *“Awesome job, friends!”*
 - *“Who is always with you?”*
 - *“God is always with me!”*

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READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY SEPTEMBER WEEK 1

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

- *Pray to God* – keep this all month

ASK A QUESTION

Who is always with you?

God is always with me!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

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.