

October

Bible Verse, Bible Story, and Activities

Center #1

Bible Verse

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”

John 3:16

(go below to see some hand motions that go with this verse)

- * Each week, go over the Bible Verse for the month with the children
- * Print out Bible Verse Cards to send home with each child
- * Print out Bible Verse Coloring Page to complete with the children or send home

Bible Story

(see Weekly Schedule below)

Nicodemus
(John 3:1–17)

Weeks 1–4

- * Nicodemus (John 3:1–4)
- * Talk with the children about who Nicodemus was. (He was a Pharisee – a rule of the Jews)
- * Why would he come to Jesus at night? (So no one else could see him talk with Jesus)
- * What did Jesus say that someone must do in order to see the kingdom of God? (you have to be born again)

Week 2

- * Jesus talks with Nicodemus (John 3:5–12)
- * Nicodemus didn't understand what Jesus was saying. Have you ever not understood something that someone said to you? How did that feel?

Week 3

- * Why Jesus came (John 3:13–17)
- * Why did Jesus come? (to save us from our sins)

Week 4

- * Nicodemus (John 3:1–17)
- * Discuss the story of Nicodemus with the children

October Center 2 Activity

Bible Verse Mix Up John 3:16

- * Print out the Bible Verse here (2x for each group)
 - * Cut one of them out and put into a bag
 - * Leave the other one as a whole page so that the children have something to go off of
- * Put the children in two groups at the table
- * Give each group a set of words
- * Use the John 3:16 Bible Verse page so they will know how to put the verse in order
- * Have the groups put the verse in order as fast as they can
- * The group that finishes first – wins!
- * Repeat if there is more time

Object of the Game: The children will memorize John 3:16 and have it in their hearts

October Center 3 Activity

New Testament Cups

- * Print out New Testament Calling Cards
- * Tape 1 book of the Bible onto each of 39 cups. These are 16 oz cups that we are using, but any cups will work. You can also make labels to use for this. Another suggestion would be to write directly on the cup with a Sharpie marker.
- * Give each child a few of the cups
- * Have them spread the cups out in front of them on the table or floor
- * Using the Books of the Bible chart, call out the books of New Testament in order.
- * The children hand you each cup as you call them out.
- * Start making a pyramid with the cups.
- * After all of the cups are stacked, have the children read all of Old Testament books in order.
- * Finally, the children can knock down the cups.

Object of the Game: The children are learning how to work together as a team and learning the books of the Bible.

(The picture shown is of the Old Testament cups. The New Testament cups are made and used in the same manner.)



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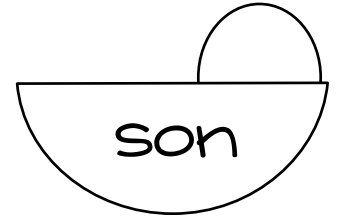


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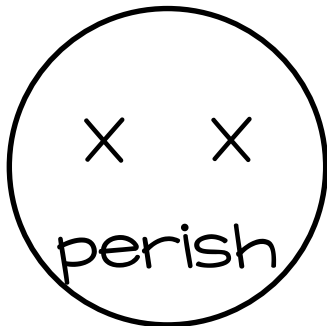
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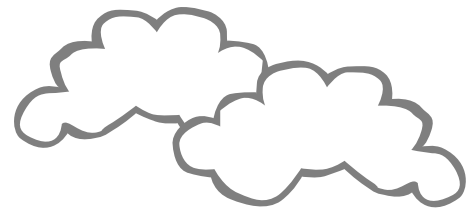
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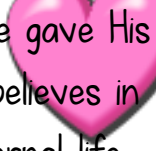



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JOHN 3 : 16




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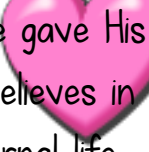



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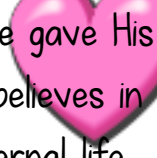



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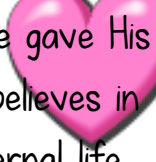



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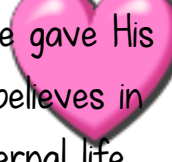



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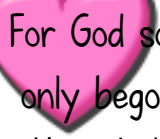


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Bible Verse Hand Motions

For God - point to the ceiling

So loved - use your arms to "draw" a large heart with your arms

the world - put arms into a circle to represent the shape of the world

that He gave - put hands out as if giving something

His only Son - act like rocking a baby

that whoever believes - hands over your heart

in Him - point to the ceiling

shall not perish - wave hands in front of you as in a "no way" motion

but have eternal life - arms straight out to your sides

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John 3:16 Cards

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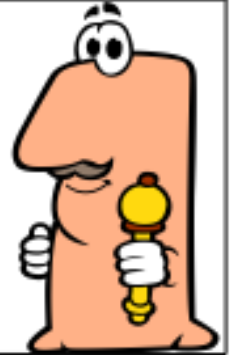
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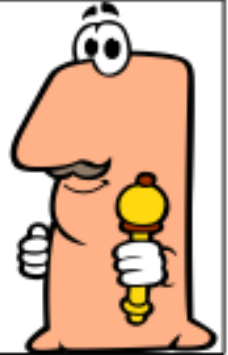
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New Testament Cards

Matthew

Romans

Mark

1 Corinthians

Luke

2 Corinthians

John

Galatians

Acts

Ephesians

New Testament Cards

Philippians

2 Timothy

Colossians

Titus

1 Thessalonians

Philemon

2 Thessalonians

Hebrews

1 Timothy

James

New Testament Cards

1 Peter

Jude

2 Peter

Revelation

1 John

2 John

3 John