



THE GOSPEL PROJECT PRESCHOOL Unit 7.1 Joshua & Caleb

Date: Sunday November 9, 2025 **Teachers:** Lesly P (lead), Laura Mc (co-lead)

Bible Passage: Numbers 13:1–14:38 **Key Passage:** Joshua 1:9

Props: bring from home: ** papertowel/t.p. rolls **at centre:** activity sheet

REVIEW RULES:

One Mouth speaking at a time (Teacher points to mouths/kids point to their mouths)

Two Hands kept to myself (kids wiggle hands and keep them to themselves)

Two Feet kept to myself (kids cross legs)

Speak Kind words like our God three in ONE!

LESSON INTRO: *“Trust God and see bigger than fear”* **materials:** (activity sheet)

Guide preschoolers to circle the biggest item in each row. The items on your activity page are part of today’s Bible story. Was it easy to tell which item was the biggest? In our Bible story today, the Israelites were scared because the people who were living in the promised land were way bigger than they were. Their fear of the people who were bigger was making them focus on the bad things, and miss the great things in the promised land that God had promised them.

GOSPEL GEMS

God is holy; He always does what is right.

There is no one like God.

Sing to the tune of “Are You Sleeping?”:

“God is with you, God is with you—everywhere, everywhere!

God is always with you. He will never leave you.

Trust in God. Trust in God!”

Joshua and Caleb trusted God. We can trust God, too!

KEY PASSAGE VERSE: *“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9* (teach with actions: Make strong arms shake head/shake for fear/ point to God)

ACTIVITY: *“Count to 12”* **materials:** (masking tape, blocks* if there are no blocks in PK room grab from Toddler)

Before the session, write the numbers 1 through 12 on pieces of masking tape. Then place the numbers on 12 blocks. Help preschoolers as they take turns putting the blocks in numerical order.

In today’s Bible story, God told Moses to send men to look at the land God was going to give the Israelites.

ACTIVITY: *“Cry babies”* **materials:** none

Play this version of “Red Light, Green Light.” Invite children to line up shoulder to shoulder on a far wall. Choose a volunteer to be Joshua and stand opposite his friends against the other wall. When Joshua faces the wall, children will try to move across the room while pretending to weep loudly. When Joshua turns around and says, “We can trust God!” they must stop weeping and freeze. The first child to reach Joshua becomes the next Joshua.

When the Israelites heard that the people in Canaan were stronger than them, they started to cry. They cried all night, but Caleb and Joshua trusted God. God had a plan for Joshua to lead the Israelites into the promised land.

ACTIVITY: "Trust God"

Demonstrate the sign for trust. Hold one fist on top of the other at chest level. Invite toddlers to sign trust and point up for God. Practice signing "trust God" together.

Joshua and Caleb trusted God to keep His promises. WE CAN TRUST GOD TOO!

ACTIVITY: "I Spy" materials: (paper towel/toilet paper tubes from home, tape)**

Glue/tape two paper towel/toilet paper tubes together and show the kids how to practice looking through them.

Moses told 12 men to look at the land. Joshua and Caleb trusted God to keep His promises. GOD KEPT HIS PROMISE AND SENT TO JESUS.

ACTIVITY: "Compare Heights" materials: (sticky notes in folder)

Before class, measure the height of an adult helper along one wall using a sticky note. Measure the height of each toddler with sticky notes and compare the sizes. In our story the spies saw really tall people and they thought they couldn't go near them, but Joshua and Caleb weren't afraid they trusted God, and saw the good things God had promised.