



PRESCHOOL STORIES OF JESUS: Jesus Loves the Little Children

Date: Sunday September 6, 2026 **Teachers:** Janet H (**lead**), Jason/Taylor

KEY PASSAGE: Mark 10:14

Props: * from home: globe if you have one, pictures of friends (Or use your phone :)

At centre: map in folder/photos of kids

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.

INTRO TO LESSON materials: (*bring from home: pictures of friends (Or use your phone :))

These are pictures of my friends. Some friends I have known for a long time, some friends I have just met.

Ask: Who are your friends? (allow kids to share names)

In today's Bible story, we are going to hear about how Jesus is a friend to little children. Some people thought Jesus should not speak to children but children are Jesus' friends!

BIBLE STORY VIDEO: Jesus loves the little children

SING A SONG:

Jesus loves the Little children, all the children of the world

North to South and East to West, He loves them all of them the best! (use directional actions)

Jesus loves the little children of the world!

KEY PASSAGE: "Let the children come to Me." Mark 10:14

(sing to the tune of head and shoulders)

OBJECT LESSON: "Children of the World" (*Children pics, use a globe/map)

Jesus loves all the children of the world. We live in Canada but there are kids from all over the world that Jesus loves! Show pictures and tell the kids what part of the world the kids live in.

ACTIVITY: "Play Ring around the Rosy a pocket fully of cozy" materials: (none)

We are going to pretend we are there with Jesus like those little children. What kind of games do you think they played? (ask kids for ideas) (tag, hide & go seek)

Jesus wanted to be with kids, and He doesn't ask if we have behaved first before He plays.

Let's play a game that they might have played. (play ring around the rosy, say a pocket full of cozy just like their hearts were cozy with Jesus *)

ACTIVITY “COME & GO!”

The disciples didn't want the children to come to Jesus; they thought they would bother him, but Jesus said NO! Let them come to Me. Jesus loves children and wants to be with us!

Have the kids line up and play a version of RED LIGHT/GREEN LIGHT but use the DISCIPLES GO AWAY! And Jesus : “COME TO ME!” (tell the kids to be sad when the disciples say GO AWAY and happy when Jesus says: COME TO ME!)

PRAYER: *Father, you show us through Jesus that you love all the little children of the world!*

FREE PLAY/SNACK/COLOURING SHEET