



PETER AND JOHN AT THE TEMPLE

BABY/ TODDLER LESSON
ACTS 3

BIBLE POINT:

We can follow Jesus.

BIBLE VERSE:

"They continued to tell
the Good News-that
Jesus is the Messiah."
Acts 5:42

SCHEDULE

Activity

Prayer

Worship

Bible Story

Craft

ACTIVITY:

Talk to your child about times when a person might have to be carried. "A baby has to be carried because they cannot walk. A parent might carry a child to bed when they are really sleepy." Point to your child's legs and feet. Our legs help us stand up tall, jump, run, and kick. Let me see you stand up tall. Let me see you jump really high! Can you wiggle your toes? Our toes help us balance. Can I see you balance on one foot?"

With babies, do the motions for them or assist them while holding them. Talk to your child saying these are your legs. Hold their arms and say "jump!". Wiggle their toes and say, "These are your toes! God gave us our legs and toes. Let's thank God for giving us our legs and our toes!"

You can also play "Hands, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes". Play the game with them, singing slowly at first, pointing and pausing at each body part. Speed up once your child begins understanding the game.

PRAYER:

It is so important that you pray with your baby/toddler. Pray for the child's salvation. Demonstrate how to pray, folding your hands, bowing your head. Teaching prayer begins during infancy. You may pray yourself or use the following prayer.

Prayer: **"Dear God, thank you for making our legs and our toes. Thank you for loving us and taking care of us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen."**

WORSHIP:

Sing "God's Love Is So Wonderful".

Click link below to watch and sing along.



https://youtu.be/NC-IVZOIHgQ_



While singing with your baby/toddler, rock them back and forth and interact with them.

Let them learn that singing songs about the

Lord is a wonderful sweet way to learn about God and bond with you.



BIBLE STORY:

Hold up the Bible, "**This is the Bible. We love our Bible. It is the Word of God. The Bible is truth.**" Hug the Bible to your chest. "**Let's pat our Bible.**" Take the baby/toddler's hand and have them pat the Bible. Read the story with enthusiasm to capture their attention.

Babies and Toddlers:

Hold up the teaching picture attached to this lesson or read the story from a Children's Bible. Story comes from Acts 3:1-10.

"Peter and John were on their way to the temple to pray. As they entered the temple area, they saw a man lying on the floor. The man could not stand or walk. Every day this man's family or friends carried him to the temple. As Peter and John walked by, the crippled man said, "Please give me some money for food.' Peter and John looked at the man and both said, 'Look at us.' The man turned to look at them. Peter said, We do not have any money, but we can give you something else. In the name of Jesus, get up and walk!"

BIBLE STORY CONTINUED:

Peter took the man by the hand and he helped him to stand. The man's feet and legs became strong and he began to skip, jump and hop! As he came into the temple he praised God that he could walk. All the people in the temple saw him walking around and praising God. They knew that he was the man who sat by the temple gate asking for food. All the people were amazed at what God had done. God used Peter to help heal the crippled man. We can help others too by telling our friends about God and how much He loves us!"

TIME TO TALK:

As you change diapers, wash hands, rock, play with, and console your baby/toddler take time to talk about the Bible story.

AFFIRMING STATEMENTS:

God Loves You So Much!

God made our legs and our feet!

God wants us to care for one another.

TEACHING PICTURES



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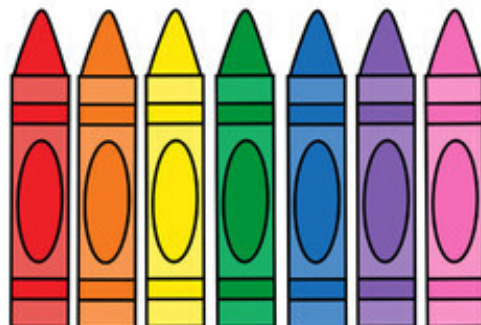
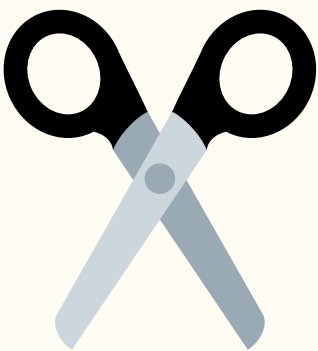


CRAFT:

Print out the "Praise God" sheet.

For this craft, talk to your child about the man and how he was jumping, leaping, and praising God!

Guide your child in painting a picture...with their toes! Get out paint, a paper plate, and the "Praise God" sheet. Have your child dip their toes in the paint then onto the paper. Encourage your child to use their painted feet to jump and make art while praising God for all that He does!



CRAYONS

