



THE BOOK OF JOHN

WEEK 2 TODDLERS

REMINDERS

- As kids arrive, be sure they are engaged in an activity. For any sad toddlers, try to engage them as quickly as possible.
- Limit TV to 1-2 songs over the course of the service. Sing along with them! Be careful not to rely on screens for the whole morning.
- Coloring sheets are always available. Please watch closely to make sure crayons don't go in mouths.
- Remove name tags when they leave.

STORY & SNACK TIME

- About halfway through the service, gather the kids to pray and eat snack together.
- Read *John the Baptist* on page 234 from *The Hey-O Stories of the Bible*. Talk about how a man named John came before Jesus and wanted to tell everyone how great Jesus is and how much Jesus loves us!
- Over the next several months, we will be going through the book of John. Some weeks we'll use *The Beginner's Bible*, and other weeks we'll use different books that highlight the theme.
- Not all kids will listen the whole time, and that's okay—still take time to read the story while they eat.

BIBLE STORY

John 1:15-51

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WEEK 2 3-55

OPENING OPTIONS (first 25 minutes)

- Coloring Sheet and Table Games
- Magnifying Glass: Kids can decoate their magnifying glass with gems and a sticker that says “Come and See”

CLEAN UP SONG and BIBLE BOX

- About 25 minutes into the service, play clean up song and gather kids on carpet.
- Use the Bible Box story to tell the story with Bible Box props
- Pray on the carpet and head into snack time.

SNACK

- Gather kids at tables to eat snack as soon as they return
- Snack Discussion: We talked about how we can be good pointers for Jesus. Who can you tell this week about how much Jesus loves them? Who can you point to Jesus?

CLOSING OPTIONS (as time allows after snack)

- Finish craft or coloring
- Free play

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WEEK 2 BIBLE BOX

Hey friends, I'm so glad you came to church today!

Hold up Bible. Our Bible story today is about being good pointers for Jesus!
Let's see if are good pointers!

Everyone get your pointer finger ready. Show children your pointer finger!

Okay - here we go! Everyone point to the door. Good!

Now point to window. Super!

Everyone point to the floor. Great!

Are you ready? Can you point to a friend? *Model pointing to several children in the circle.*

You're right, we are all friends! Well done!

You are all good pointers! *Give children a thumbs up.*

In the Bible there's a story about a man named John. He was a very good pointer.
His job was to point people to Jesus.

He didn't use his finger to point out Jesus. *Shake your head.*

Oh no, he used his words to tell people about Jesus' love and he told people how to find Jesus.

Philip heard about Jesus from John and Philip loved Jesus.

Philip was so happy that he went and told his best friend, Nathanael all about Jesus.

But Nathanael did not want to know about Jesus, Shake your head.

Nathanael just wanted to play with his friends.

Philip kept asking Nathanael to come and see Jesus with him.

Nathanael finally said yes and went with Philip to see Jesus and he loved Jesus, too.

Nathanael was so happy to know Jesus that he went and told others to come and see Jesus!

Let's all practice being like Philip and say Come and See Jesus together

1-2-3 : Come and See Jesus!

PRAYER: Thank you Jesus that we can invite our friends and family to come and see you!
You love us so much and the more we know you, the more we love back! Amen.



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WEEK 2 KINDER /1ST

OPENING OPTIONS

- Coloring Sheet and Table Games
- Breakaway Coloring Cards: Kids can color a Breakaway Card and take it home to intentionally invite a friend to Breakaway. Ask kids who they might want to invite and when they want to give them the card so they have an intentional plan.

WORSHIP and STORYTIME

- Leave one volunteer to clean up and prepare goldfish during storytime so you are ready to go right into small group time. This volunteer should join the rest as soon as clean up and snack is set.

SMALL GROUP TIME (upon returning to your classroom, gather immediately on the carpet for small group time; you may not use all the questions, go through what you are able to)

- Who did John the Baptist point to? (Jesus)
- What did John call Jesus? (The Lamb of God)
- What does Jesus take away? (our sin, the sins of everyone in the world)
- What did people in our story do after they met Jesus? (They told others about Jesus and to Come and See)
- What did Philip say to Nathanael? Come and see!
- What did Philip want Nathanael to see? (to see Jesus)
- Did Nathanael believe in Jesus after meeting Him? (not at first but after he saw him, yes!)
- Why is Jesus more important than John? (Because Jesus is the Son of God)
- Who can you invite to church, Breakaway or tell about Jesus? (Encourage all kids to think of someone)
- What can you say to invite someone? (You can invite them to come and see! You don't have to have all the answers, just be the inviter)
- Pray about the friends that kids want to invite to Breakaway together.

CLOSING OPTIONS (note ball is for closing game only)

- Light Up Ball Hot Potato: We have been talking about Jesus being the Light of the World and inviting others to Come and See Jesus. Use the Light Up ball to play Hot Potato. When the music stops, whoever holding the ball must tell us one thing we know about Jesus. This will help us learn new things that we can tell others!

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WEEK 2 2ND-3RD

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- Why did John the Baptist say Jesus is greater than him? (Because Jesus is God and existed before him)
- What does “Lamb of God” mean? (Jesus is the perfect sacrifice who takes away our sin and the sin of the whole world)
- What happened after John the Baptist’s disciples heard about Jesus? (They went and followed Jesus)
- Describe the chain reaction of people telling others about Jesus. (Andrew told Peter → Jesus found Philip → Philip told Nathanael, read portions of John 1:35-51 for reference)
- What was Nathanael’s first reaction to Jesus? (He doubted, he did not believe anything good could come from Nazareth)
- What changed Nathanael’s mind? (Meeting Jesus)
- Why do you think Philip said “Come and see” instead of arguing? (Because experiencing Jesus is far more powerful and personal than just trying to convince someone)
- What does this story teach us about sharing our faith? (We are the inviters! We don’t need all the answers.)
- Who is one person you could invite to “come and see” Jesus? Either using the Breakaway card or just inviting a friend to church. (Encourage all kids to think of someone)
- What might feel hard about inviting someone? (Fear, nervousness, not knowing what to say)
- How can God help you be brave to invite others? (He gives us courage and helps us trust Him)
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