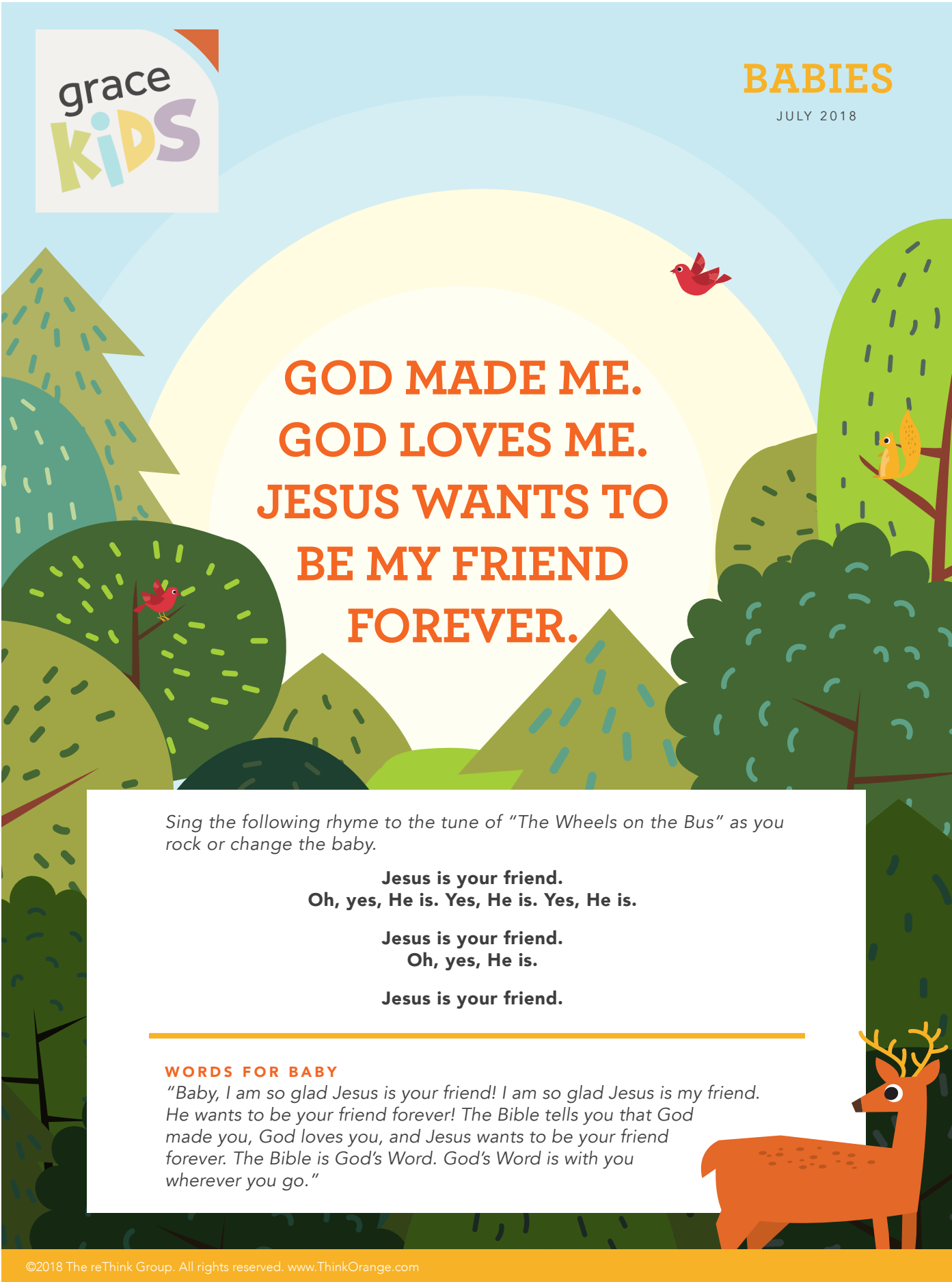


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KIDS

NURSERY



**GOD MADE ME.
GOD LOVES ME.
JESUS WANTS TO
BE MY FRIEND
FOREVER.**

Sing the following rhyme to the tune of "The Wheels on the Bus" as you rock or change the baby.

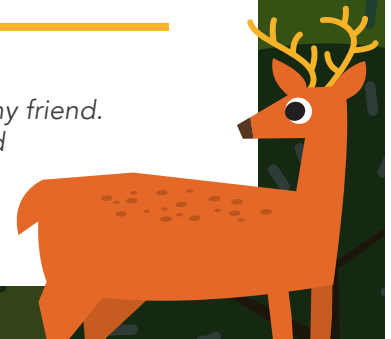
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**Jesus is your friend.
Oh, yes, He is.**

Jesus is your friend.

WORDS FOR BABY

"Baby, I am so glad Jesus is your friend! I am so glad Jesus is my friend. He wants to be your friend forever! The Bible tells you that God made you, God loves you, and Jesus wants to be your friend forever. The Bible is God's Word. God's Word is with you wherever you go."



July 2020

Curriculum for Nursery A



We want our babies to take a first look at who God is and understand:

God made me.

God loves me.

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Bible Words: "I have hidden your word in my heart." Psalm 119:11, NIV

Bottom Line: God's Word is with you wherever you go.

Basic Truth: God made me. God loves me. Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

With each baby you should be taking the time to sing the song, speak the Bible verse and let them know that God made them. This can be done while holding, feeding and/or changing the baby's diaper.

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WEEK
FOUR

**TODDLERS
AND
EARLY PRE-K
(AGES 1-3)**



July 26, 2020

Bible Words: "I have hidden your word in my heart." Psalm 119:11, NIV

God's Word Is With Me • *Psalm 119:11*

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Story Time

Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story. Some kids (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

What You Need: Preschool Bible, Washable Red Marker; Places activity page

LEADER: "This is the Bible. (*Hold up Bible.*) It has God's words in it. God gave us the Bible to show us which way to go. We love the Bible. (*Give Bible a hug.*)

"The Bible says we can take God's Word with us wherever we go! No matter where we go in the world, God's Word can go with us in our heart. Let's draw a heart on your hand so you can remember that you have God's Word in your heart. (*Draw a heart on your child's hand and yours too.*)

"When we practice saying God's words, they live in our heart, and we can take them with us everywhere. Let's practice some of God's words over by the sink (or another place in your house). Walk your child over to the new place you have chosen in your house. Now say, 'God made me.' God made me. Great job!

(Choose another area to take your child in your house). Let's practice some of God's word here (new place). Now say, 'God loves me.' God loves me. Wonderful!

"Now, let's walk to the table (or wherever you are going to do the craft) . Say, 'Jesus wants to be my friend forever.' Jesus wants to be my friend forever. Great job! You took God's words with you all over the room/house. And the heart on your hand can remind you that God's words are with you wherever you go.

"You can take God's words with you wherever you are-- when you go to the store and even when you go to the park. We can take God's Word with us wherever we go! **[Bottom Line] God's Word is with you wherever you go!**"

Craft Time

What You Need: "Places" Activity Page, washable markers (to write on fingertips of your child); wet wipes (or be prepared to wash your child's hands immediately to remove marker).

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Places" and cut on the dotted lines. Each child needs one.

During the Activity: Retell the story as your child put fingerprints on each of the places on their paper. You will have to color washable marker on their fingertips to do this.

What You Say:

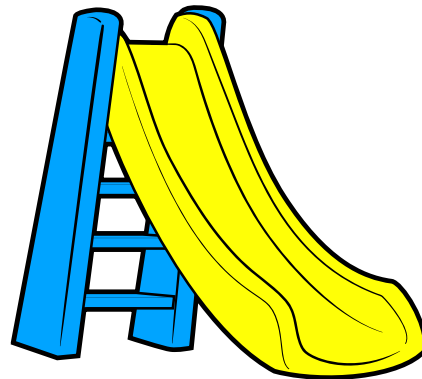
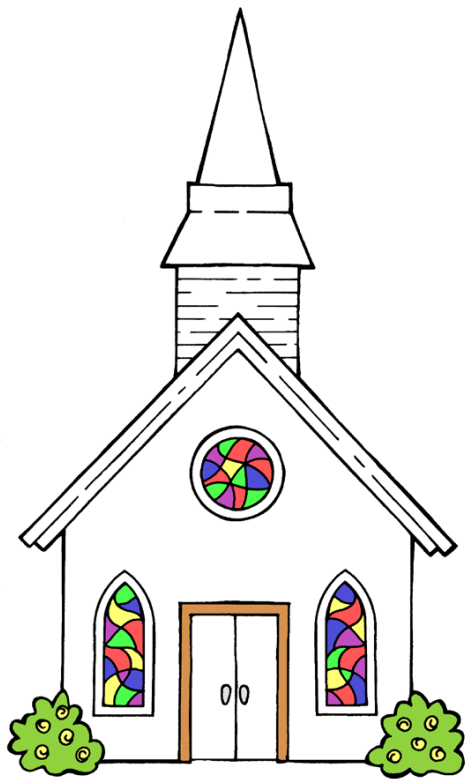
During the Activity: "Today we learned more about the Bible. The Bible has God's words in it, and it tells us which way to go. That makes it very, very special. Can you say the word 'Bible' with me at the count of three? One, two, three, Bible. Great job!

"The Bible says we can take God's Word with us wherever we go! No matter where we go in the world, God's Word can go with us in our heart.

"When we practice saying God's words, they live in our heart, and we can take them with us everywhere. Let's practice some of God's words. Say, 'God made me.' God made me. Say, 'God loves me.' God loves me. Say, 'Jesus wants to be my friend forever.' Jesus wants to be my friend forever. Great job!

"Look at your paper. There are four different places where you can take God's words with you. Let's put a fingerprint on each one. I see a house. You can take God's words with you when you're at home. Let's put a fingerprint there. I see a slide. You can take God's words with you when you are on the slide. Let's put a fingerprint there. I see a store. You can take can take God's words with you when you go to the store. Put a fingerprint on the store. I see a church. You can take God's words with you when you go to church. Let's put a fingerprint on the church. Great job!

"We can take God's Word with us wherever we go. **[Bottom Line] God's Word is with you wherever you go!**"



God's Word is with you wherever you go.

The Bible Shows the Way • Psalm 119:105

Places • Color • Places • July Week 4

Copy on white cardstock and cut on dotted lines. Provide one per child.

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PRE-K



WEEK FOUR

HEBREW 10:24-25

God's family loves and cares for one another.

SAY THIS

**WHAT IS WITH YOU
WHEREVER YOU GO?
GOD'S WORD IS WITH ME
WHEREVER I GO.**

DO THIS



BATH TIME

For bath time, cut a new kitchen sponge into the shape of a heart. When you place the sponge in the water say, "Water goes in."

When you squeeze the sponge say, "Water comes out." As your child plays with the sponge say, "When we say God's words over and over, the words go in our heart."

REMEMBER THIS

"I have hidden your word in my heart."

Psalm 119:11, NIV

BASIC TRUTH

**GOD MADE ME. GOD LOVES ME.
JESUS WANTS TO BE MY FRIEND FOREVER.**

PARENTING DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO EMPTY

By Amy Fenton

I'm a single mom managing three kids, trying to take care of my house, the bills, the food, and our schedules. I work full-time, plus side jobs, and I often find myself parenting dangerously close to empty. When I get to this point, I am reminded of a few principles I learned from the book *Leading on Empty* that resonate in my parenting.

KNOW WHAT FILLS YOUR TANK AND WHAT DRAINS IT.

Make a list of "Fill" and "Drain" items. Our life, our very soul, has to be filled up in order to pour out. If I were to keep driving my car way past empty, my car would stall. If I only put three gallons of gas in each time I stopped to fill it, I wouldn't make it very far. We are the same way. Are you putting in more than you're giving out?

UNDERSTAND BALANCE IN LIFE.

I think for most of us, if we were to define balance in life we might draw a seesaw with family on one side and work on the other. That is not really how life works. Our family has to be at the center, where the seesaw pivots. If you lose a job, you start interviewing for another. If you lose your family, you lose everything.

LEAD OUT OF REST.

We don't mess up as parents because we are evil. It is often because we are exhausted. Look at your calendar with rest in mind. Schedule your rest points first—your days off and your vacation. Get enough sleep. (The average person needs 7-8 hours. If you aren't getting that, you aren't the best you.)

FIND SOMEONE TO BE YOUR LIGHTNING ROD.

Who is your person that you can be totally honest with and who can be honest with you? If you're a single parent, you don't have a spouse to bounce things off of. You need a person so you don't dump it out on your family. Find someone who can take it, listen, and then ground you—just like a lightning rod.

PRIORITIZE YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.

He has all of this. He's got our mess. It doesn't take Him by surprise. He loves us more than we can ever fathom. He is in control and He wants the best for us. He doesn't want us to live dangerously close to empty at any moment. He wants us to live rich full lives that honor Him.

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