

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

STORY

WORSHIP

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO IMAGINE

an activity that promotes empathy and facilitates concrete application through role-play and reenactment



* 1. BIG LOVE, BIG STORY

[TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Big Love, Big Story" Activity Pages, stapler, hand sanitizer, markers

WHAT YOU DO:

- Give every kid one pump of hand sanitizer.
- Give each kid a "Big Love, Big Story" Activity Page.
- Instruct kids to fold their paper like a book and staple it.
- Set out markers for your group to share.
- Encourage kids to pair up and work together to complete the inside pages of their books.
- Instruct the kids to decorate their books and draw themselves on the cover.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Nicodemus was really smart and knew a lot about God, but what he didn't know was how to have a relationship with God. The night Nicodemus came to visit Jesus, he learned that when we decide to follow Jesus, we get to have a relationship with Him.

"When Jesus talked with Nicodemus, Jesus used some words that can be confusing. He said that we need to be 'born again.' What that means is just like when you are a baby, you are brand new. You start something new. When we choose to follow Jesus, we are born again. We get a fresh start with God. We start a brand-new relationship with Jesus that will last forever.

"You know what else happens when you decide to follow Jesus? You become a part of God's story, just like this little book we made! You're born again, you start a new relationship with God, and you get to live knowing **you can be confident because God loves you.**"

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

You Say

God So Loved the World
John 3:16
(supporting: John 3:1-21)

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

**You can be confident
because God loves you.**

MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

**I remain confident of this:
I will see the goodness of the
Lord in the land of the living.**
Psalm 27:13, NIV

MONTHLY LIFE APP

**Confidence—Learning to see
yourself the way God sees you**

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

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MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that creates space
for personal processing
and application



4. PRAY AND DISMISS [PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: No supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

- Before praying, encourage the kids to think of an area where they need confidence and to trust God's love. (something that discourages them like math or reading, a tough situation with a friend or family member, etc.)
- After a few moments of silence for the kids to think, pray with your kids.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Dear God, thank You for being the God we can always have confidence in! You are such a good God. Thank You for loving us and caring about the areas where we need confidence. This week, please help us remember that we can have confidence because You love us. We ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen!"

As adults arrive to pick up, encourage kids to show off their sticky notes! Remind the kids how loved they are and that whatever they need confidence for this week, **you can have confidence because God loves you** even more!

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What to Do:

Print the following two pages double-sided. Fold like a book. Provide one for each kid.

"Big Love, Big Story" Activity Page

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When Nicodemus grew really curious about Jesus, what did he do?

When did Nicodemus do what he did?

What did Nicodemus find out?

Fill in the blanks:

God I _____

God 9 _____

_____ believes

lives _____

You can be confident because

_____ .

Look up John 3:16 and write it below.

BIG LOVE



Draw yourself here!

BIG STORY

