

MADE TO CREATE

an activity that explores ideas through the process of drawing, building, designing, and problem-solving



2. YOU CAN BE CONFIDENT

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: Prepared "Confident" Activity Page, prepared toilet paper tubes, level surface, heavy flat objects, decorating supplies

WHAT YOU DO:

- Practice the object lesson ahead of time so that you'll be confident (pun intended) when leading the kids.
- Lead kids to gather around you.
- Set the "God Loves Me" toilet paper tube vertically on a level, smooth surface. Show kids the heavy objects.
- Ask them how many books/items they think the tube can hold—One? Two? Three? More?
- Carefully balance the objects on top of the tube, adding one at a time.
- Emphasize that when we know that God loves us, we can be CONFIDENT to do and try things that seem hard.
- Set out the cards from the "Confident" Activity Page.
 - We can be confident to stand up to bullies.
 - We can be confident to try new things—like tying our shoes.
 - We can be confident to make new friends.
 - We can be confident to make the wise choice even when others aren't!
- Give each kid a paper roll segment.
- Set out the decorating supplies and invite kids to decorate their strips to make bracelets.
- Encourage kids to wear their bracelets as reminders that **you can be confident because God loves you.**

WHAT YOU SAY:

"When you know that God loves you (*read the words on the tube, pointing to each one*), you can be CONFIDENT to do things that seem hard: You can be confident to stand up to bullies (*show the picture*). You can be confident to try new things—like tying your shoes (*show the picture*). You can be confident to make new friends (*show the picture*). And you can be confident to make the wise choice (*show the picture*)—even when others aren't. **You can be CONFIDENT because God loves you!**

[Make It Personal] (Tell kids about a time when knowing that God loves you helped you be confident, whether it was confidence to be kind to someone, to try something hard, or even to lead a small group!)

"How can YOU be confident because God loves you? (*Pause and give kids time to think—there's a lot of brain work happening in the silence! If kids are still stuck for ideas, ask prompting questions: Can you be confident to make a new friend? Can you be confident to listen to your teacher even when others aren't? etc.*)

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.

(2. YOU CAN BE CONFIDENT, CONTINUED)

“So, remember that **you can be confident because God loves you**. In fact, God loves you SO MUCH that He GAVE His one and only Son so that WHOEVER BELIEVES in Him will LIVE FOREVER! It’s okay if you don’t understand everything now. But if you’d like to talk with someone about what it means to believe in Jesus and follow Him, you can talk with me, another leader, your mom or dad, or someone you know who follows Jesus. Just remember that **you can be confident because God loves you!**”

Note: Depending on what you know about your kids, it might be a good idea to simply “plant the seeds” and have a conversation about salvation, without explicitly leading kids to take a step of faith. If a child’s parents are already believers, they may want to be present for the moment their child accepts Jesus. Use your judgment and your knowledge of your kids’ home lives when having this conversation.



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PRELUDE

SOCIAL

STORY

WORSHIP

GROUPS

HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

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: "Jesus Loves Me" cards from "Yes, Jesus Love Me!" Activity, and crayons or markers

WHAT YOU DO:

- Guide kids to draw a picture of themselves with Jesus on their "Jesus Loves Me" cards.
- Use the conversation below as a guide to lead kids into prayer.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"The important thing to remember today is that **you can be confident because God loves you**. In fact, GOD LOVED you so much that GOD GAVE His one and only Son. WHOEVER BELIEVES in Him LIVES FOREVER! God gave Jesus to save us!

"It's okay if you don't understand everything now. If you have questions, you can talk to me, another leader, your mom or dad, or someone you know who follows Jesus. We'll be happy to help you. Let's pray.

"Dear God, thank You for loving us SO much that You gave Your Son, Jesus. Thank You that Jesus is more powerful than sin and more powerful than death. Thank You that when we believe in Him, we will live forever with You. Thank You for sending Jesus to save us! We love you SO much, God. Amen."

As adults arrive to pick up, encourage kids to tell them today's **you can be confident because God loves you**. You can prompt kids by saying the first part, then pausing for them to complete it.

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