

I'm Trying to Be Like Jesus Scripture Stories

Activity Instructions:

1. Gather stories of Christ from the scriptures. Write down the scriptures on strips of paper.
2. During primary, start by reviewing a verse of I'm Trying to Be Like Jesus.
3. Then, invite the children to choose one scripture story at a time. Read through the story and try to find an attribute of Christ in the story.
4. Write the attribute on the board, and sing through a verse of the song after reading each scripture.
5. Continue reading the stories and finding attributes of Christ. As you sing, encourage the children think about the attributes of Christ that they would like to develop.

Extension Ideas:

- Split the group into classes. Have each class take a few scripture stories. As they read the stories, invite them to talk about how they can try to be like Jesus.
- On the back of each story, write a phrase of the song. Have each class take a few pieces of paper. Each class is responsible for singing **ONLY** the phrases they have on their papers.
- Write a list of attributes of Christ. Have each class choose an attribute and discuss how they can learn and develop that attribute.

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Matthew 4:23: “And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases among the people.”

Matthew 8:2-3: “And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me whole. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.”

Mark 11:15-16: “And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves. And would not suffer that any man should carry any vessel through the temple.”

Luke 23:34: “Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.”

Mark 14:35-36: “And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee, take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.”

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Luke 18: 15-16: “And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when his disciples saw it, they rebuked them. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for such is the kingdom of God.”

John 8:11: “When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are thine accusers? Hath no man condemned thee? She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.”

John 10:14: “I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

John 13:5: “After that he poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples’ feet, and to wipe them with a towel wherewith he was girded.”

Matthew 4:1-2: “Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be temped of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungered.”