

Toddling Through God's Word: Spreading the Good News

"This Little Light of Mine" Popular Hymn:

This little light of mine. I'm gonna let it shine.
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Let it shine. Let it shine. Let it shine.

Activity 1: Tell the Whole World (Mark 16:15)

You Need:

- Blue construction paper
- Green paint
- Scissors

Say: "Jesus commanded His disciples to tell everyone about Him. The disciples would try to tell the whole world about Jesus's love and how to receive forgiveness for their sins."

1. Help your child cut out a circle from the blue construction paper.
2. Paint your child's hand green to create a green handprint on the blue circle.
3. Paint your child's foot green to create a green footprint on the blue circle.
4. Tell your child that the blue circle and green handprint and footprint represent the world. We are commanded to tell the whole world about Jesus.



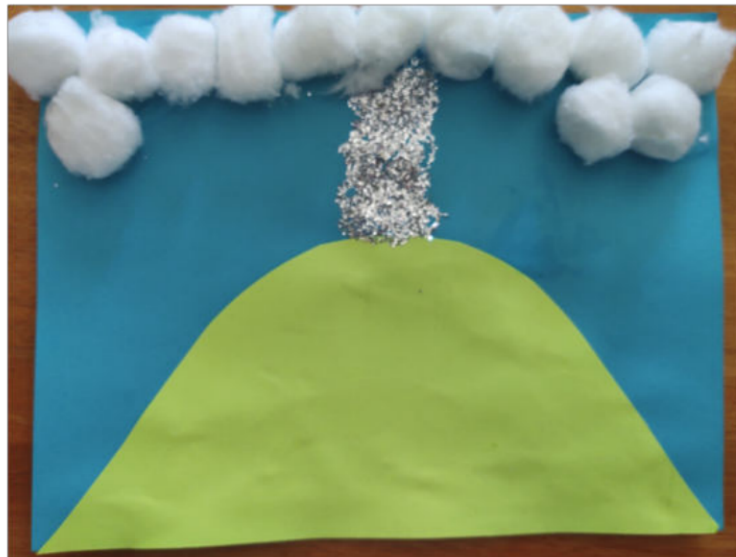
Activity 2: Jesus Went to Heaven (Acts 1:9-12)

You Need:

- Green construction paper
- Blue construction paper
- Cotton balls
- Scissors
- Glue
- Glitter

Say: "Jesus went to heaven. His disciples saw him go up into the sky, and a cloud hid Jesus. Jesus will return one day."

1. Help your child cut out a u-shaped curve from the green construction paper. That will be the mountain.
2. Assist your child in gluing the "mountain" onto the blue construction paper. The blue construction paper will be the sky.
3. Have your child glue on cotton balls to represent the clouds.
4. Finally, help your child glue glitter going from the top of the "mountain" to the "clouds." This represents Jesus going to heaven.



Activity 3: The Holy Spirit (Acts 2:1-13)

You Need:

- Fan
- Candle
- Match

Say: "After Jesus had gone to heaven, His disciples were all together in a house. There was a wind blowing. Then what looked like fire rested on each of the disciples. Then they received the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit helps us know how to obey

God."

1. Turn on the fan, and let the fan blow on your child. Tell your child that the disciples felt a wind, but it wasn't from a fan.
2. Light the candle with a match. Tell your child that what looked like fire rested on the disciples, but there were no candles or matches.
3. Tell your child that if you believe Jesus is the Lord, and you decide to try to obey Jesus, then you receive the Holy Spirit. We might not feel a wind or see the fire, but the Holy Spirit helps us obey God.

Activity 4: Peter Heals a Man (Acts 3:1-11)

You Need:

- Lame Man Finger puppet printable
- Crayons or markers
- Scissors

Say: "Peter was one of Jesus's disciples. Jesus was in heaven. Peter loved Jesus. One day, Peter saw a man who could not walk. The man who could not walk asked Peter for money. Peter said, "I have no money, but Jesus can heal you!" Then the lame man walked!"

1. Print the Lame Man Finger Puppet printable.
2. Let your child color the picture.
3. Assist your child in cutting out the lame man picture and the two holes to complete the finger puppet.
4. Let your child pretend to make the lame man finger puppet walk.
5. Tell your child that nothing is impossible with God.

Activity 5: Jail (Acts 15:18-42)

You Need:

- Pretzel sticks
- Toy people or candy people

Say: "Some of Jesus's disciples were put in jail! The disciples hadn't done anything bad. They were just telling others about Jesus, but some people didn't want to hear about Jesus, so they put them in jail. God sent an angel to let the disciples out of jail. Then the disciples continued

to share Jesus."

1. Fix a snack for your child with candy people (representing the disciples) covered with pretzel sticks (representing the jail). We used toy people to represent the disciples because we did not have any candy people.
2. Let your eat the pretzel sticks, and pretend to let the disciples free.



Lame Man Puppet Printable

