Jump Jump!

May 1st-3rd

CRAFT WEEK 1 Memory Verse Craft

SUPPLIES: God's Way is Perfect page, crayons, flower stickers

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ Pass out God's Way is Perfect page and crayons.

- "We learned a brand-new memory verse today! 'God's way is perfect.'
 Can we try saying that together?
- o 'God's way is perfect. 2 Samuel 22:31
- That's what our page says right here. 'God's way is perfect.'
- Can you color in the letters?

⇒ Pass out 5 flower stickers to each child.

- o "What else do you see in your picture? That's right! Flower stems!
- Today in our true Bible story we heard about a special garden— the first garden God ever made. There were plants, flowers, and trees. It was perfect.
- o I have some flower stickers for you here! Let's add them to our garden.

⇒ Complete activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus

- o "Your gardens look beautiful!
- o God filled the garden with plants, flowers, and trees. Some of them grew food that you could eat. There were so many animals. It was perfect! God made it all. But He wasn't done. God made people, Adam and Eve, to watch over the animals and the garden. God gave them one rule. He told them to never, ever eat the fruit from one tree . . . but they did.
- They didn't do things God's way, so God sent them out of the garden, and everything became harder because they didn't obey God. Everything would have been better if they had only followed God's way, because God's way is perfect.
- Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect.

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May 8th - 10th

CRAFT WEEK 2

Jonah and the Fish Puppet

SUPPLIES: Big Fish page, Jonah, craft sticks, tape, crayons

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ Pass out Big Fish page and crayons.

- "Friends, today in our true Bible we learned about a man named Jonah. God wanted Jonah to go to Ninevah and tell the people to "Go God's Way!" but Jonah was scared. So instead, Jonah hopped on a boat and went another way. But you can't run from God! There was a big storm and Jonah jumped into the water and was swallowed by a big fish! Can you believe it? But God was with him the entire time!
- Here on your page you see a BIG fish. Let's decorate the fish and the water.

⇒ Pass out Jonah and popsicle sticks.

 "Who do you think this is? That's right! It's Jonah! Let's color him with crayons and then I will help you attach Jonah to the puppet stick.

⇒ Finish up the activity and Bring it Back to Jesus.

- "Now that we have Jonah and the big fish let's stick Jonah in his belly. Wow. Can you imagine what that felt like? But God was with him for 3 days. Let's count – 1 2 3!! And when God made the big fish spit him out, God went straight to Ninevah and told the people "Go God's Way!!"
- We can go God's way, too because God's way is perfect!
- o Whose way is perfect?
- God's way is perfect!"

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ACTIVITY #1

Simon Says

SUPPLIES: none needed

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ Have children spread out around the room.

 "Friends, come gather here with me! Everyone put your arms out to your sides like this so you can spread out. (Demonstrate.). Make sure you can't touch another friend when your arms are spread out wide. Great job! You can put your arms down."

⇒ Explain and model the game.***

- "Today, we'll play a game called 'Simon Says. I am going to ask you to do several different movements. I want you to do what I do but ONLY if I say, 'Simon Says' first.
- o Let's try a practice round: Simon says Jog in place. Great jogging!
- Simon says Stop!
- Now, march. (Pause.) Uh-oh! Simon didn't say to march! Let's try that again. Simon says March!"

⇒ Continue the game with lots of different commands.

- Circle your arms
- Stomp your feet
- Touch your toes
- o Pat your shoulders, head, tummy etc.
- Clap your hands
- Spin in a circle two times
- o Say, "Hello" as you wave to a friend
- o Play air guitar

⇒ Repeat the activity until you have played it a total of 3 times and then Bring it Back to Jesus.

- "That was so fun! You did an awesome job of listening!
- o In our Bible story today, we learned that God's way is perfect! That's why it's super important that we listen to God and go God's way.
- Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!

*** Classrooms made up of mainly 3s – this may be tricky! You can play it with no tricks and all Simon Says commands if that is easier for your class.

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ACTIVITY #2 Hula Hoop Jump Jump!

SUPPLIES: hula hoops (4)

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ Space the hula hoops within jumping distance of each other. Line the children up near the first hula hoop.
 - "Friends! Come over here and look at this. Do you think you can jump in each one of these hula hoops? Watch me and get ready to follow what I do?
 - (Jump in each of the hula hoops- you can say one word per hula hoop-God's way is perfect!). Then, when you get to the end we are going to ask you an important question – 'Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!"
- ⇒ Position one volunteer at the start of the line and one at the end. Have each child take a turn hoping through the hula hoops. Then at the end of their turn ask them the Big Question.
 - o "Let's each take a turn hopping through the hula hoops.
 - O Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!"
- ⇒If you want to add another layer of fun, let them choose what kind of hopping animal they want to be (frog, kangaroo, grasshopper, etc.)
- ⇒ Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.
 - "Great job, friends! You did it. You followed my instructions and went my way to HOP HOP through the hula hoops. But guess what? There is someone even MORE important that we should follow! Can you guess who it is? (Pause.) Yes! We should go God's way because God's way is perfect! When you choose to go God's way, you'll always head in the right direction!
 - o Whose way is perfect?
 - o God's way is perfect!

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ACTIVITY #3 Memory Verse Practice

SUPPLIES: No Supplies

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ This activity can be done from spots at the table or spaced out in the center of the room.
 - "Friends, we have a PERFECT memory verse to practice! I want to try saying it in lots of different ways!
- ⇒ Do memory verse all together in a variety of ways.
 - "First, let's say it once together. "God's way is perfect." 2
 Samuel 22:31
 - Now let's try it...
 - Super loud
 - Super quiet
 - Really fast
 - Really Slow
 - Jumping up and down
 - Running in Place
 - All the boys
 - All the girls
 - Kids only
 - Teachers only
- ⇒ Repeat as long as children are interested. If time permits, you can do one person at a time and give out stickers.
- ⇒ Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.
 - "Nice work, my friends! Whose way is perfect?
 - God's way is perfect!

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May 1st-3rd

READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY MAY WEEK 1

SANITIZE HANDS AND PASS OUT MOON SAND

⇒ Can you make your moon sand look like your favorite food?

READ

- ⇒The Bible
 - Beginner's Bible: The Beginning p. 7, Adam and Eve p. 14, and The Sneaky Snake p. 18.

REVIEW (You may choose to pass out stickers as kids answer!)

- ⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line
 - O Whose way is perfect?
 - o God's way is perfect!
- ⇒ Memory Verse
 - o "God's way is perfect." 2 Samuel 22:31

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

- ⇒ "Today, we'll make a list of our favorite foods that God made. Then we can use our list to thank God for making food that tastes perfectly yummy. So, when I say your name, **tell me your favorite food that God made**, and I will write it down.
 - Have each child share and write the ideas down on the board/paper.
- ⇒ Oooo, this is a list of yummy foods! Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**:
 - "Dear God, thank You for making this amazing world and everything in it. We especially want to thank You for all of the yummy foods You made. [Child's name] wants to thank You for making [food they named]. (Continue with each child's name and the food listed.) Please help us trust that Your way is perfect and to go Your way. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

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May 8th - 10th

READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY MAY WEEK 2

SANITIZE HANDS AND PASS OUT MOON SAND

⇒ Can you make your moon sand look like a big fish?

READ

- ⇒ The Bible
 - o Beginner's Bible: Jonah and the Big Fish p. 257

REVIEW (You may choose to pass out stickers as kids answer!)

- ⇒Key Question and Bottom Line
 - O Whose way is perfect?
 - o God's way is perfect!
- ⇒ Memory Verse
 - o "God's way is perfect." 2 Samuel 22:31

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

- ⇒ "God told Jonah to go to Nineveh and tell the people, 'Go God's way.' Today, we'll make a list of places we can go and tell the people, 'Go God's way.' When I say your name, tell me one place you can go and tell the people to go God's way. I will write it down.
 - Have each child share and write the ideas down on the board/paper.
- ⇒ These are some great places! And why should we tell people, 'Go God's way?' Because...God's way is perfect! Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**:
 - "Dear God, thank You for teaching us that Your way is perfect. Help us to JUMP, JUMP, and go your way. Help us go to (read the list the children made) and tell others to go your way, too, because [Bottom Line] God's way is perfect! We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

May 2021 Any Time Activities!

Did you finish all the activities and still have time to spare? You can ALWAYS try one of these any time activities!

Parachute

- ⇒ Gather children around the parachute and say...
 - "Let's have some fun with the parachute! I am going to give you a direction and I want you to listen carefully and do whatever I ask!
- ⇒ Have children make BIG waves. Then Stop.
 - o "Let's start by making big waves. Let's go!
 - And STOP!
 - Good listening! You know who else we can listen to? God!
 We can go God's way because God's way is perfect.
 Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!
- ⇒ Repeat making small waves, fast waves, slow waves, going low, going high, etc.
 - "Great listening friends! And even more important than listening to me, you can listen to God because God's way is perfect. Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!

Bubble Pop

- ⇒ Blow bubbles and let the kids pop them. When all the bubbles have popped, ask:
 - "Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!

Freeze Dance

- ⇒ Have children spread out around the room.
 - Let's play freeze dance!
- ⇒ Turn the music on and have children dance. When you hit pause say...
 - Whose way is perfect? God's way is perfect!