

August Week 3

Construction Zone

Aug 14-16

CRAFT WEEK 3

Water from the Rock

SUPPLIES:

Water from the Rock page, crayons, blue paint, sponges, small plates, painter's smocks, wet paint signs

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Pass out the Water from the Rock pages and crayons.**

- *"Friends, today in our true Bible story we learned about God providing water for his people. When Moses struck the rock, what happened? Water came out! Isn't that amazing? Only God could do something like that! Let's start coloring our picture, but I want you to save the spot where the water is because I have something special to add."*

⇒ **Squeeze a little blue paint on a plate. Pass out one sponge per child.**

- *"Who do you see on the page? Yes, it's Moses and he's holding his staff. What happened when Moses hit the rock with his staff? That's right! Water for the people to drink came from the rock!"*
- *Let's use these sponges to add a stream of water coming out of the rock."*

⇒ **Complete activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus**

- *"These look beautiful! Only God is powerful enough to get water from a rock! So, tell me friends..."*
- ***Who is powerful? God is powerful!***

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Aug 21-23

CRAFT WEEK 4

Placemat

SUPPLIES: Placemat page, crayons, foam food stickers (6 per child)

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Have children join you at the table and review the Bible story.**

- *“In our Bible story today, we learned about a guy named Daniel. Daniel was in a training program for King Nebuchadnezzar. The king wanted them to study and learn new things and have all the fancy food and drink from his table. But that was a problem for Daniel because back then, God had a rule about what His people could eat. Daniel loved and followed God, so he had to say no to the food and no to the king. God helped Daniel make the right choice and eat only vegetables and drink only water.*
- *God provides us with lots of foods to help make our bodies healthy and strong. And he gives us lots of choices!*

⇒ **Pass out placemats and crayons. Then let children choose food stickers to place on their plate.**

- *“Let’s use crayons and stickers to decorate our placemat.*
- *Everybody point to the spot on your placemat where the plate goes. The words inside that spot say ‘God is powerful.’ Say that with me. God is powerful. Nice job!”*

⇒ **Complete craft and Bring it Back to Jesus**

- *“When we ask God to help us, He will. God is so powerful and he can help us make great food choices to make our bodies healthy and strong!*
- ***Who is powerful?***
- ***God is powerful!”***

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CRAFT WEEK 5

Lion Puppet

SUPPLIES: Lion puppet, crayons, strips of orange and yellow paper, glue stick, craft stick, tape

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Have children join you at the table and pass out lion puppet and crayons.**
 - *“Today in our true Bible we heard about how God’s mighty power protected Daniel from some very hungry lions!*
 - *We are going to make our own lions today! First I want you to decorate your lion with crayons.*

- ⇒ **Lay orange and yellow strips on the table. Pass out glue sticks. Demonstrate how to put the glue around the outer circle.**
 - *“Next, our lion needs a mane! Use your glue stick like this to put the glue around the outer circle of the lion.*
 - *Now press the paper strip onto the glue.”*

- ⇒ **Tape craft stick to the back of the lion head.**
 - *“Now let’s make it a puppet! I will help you attach the stick to the back of the lion head”*

- ⇒ **Complete craft and Bring it Back to Jesus**
 - *“Great job, friends! These lions look super scary! But do you know what? Even the hungriest lion is no match for God! God is so powerful!*
 - ***Who is powerful?***
 - ***God is powerful!”***

Proceed directly to the Daniel and the Lion’s Den Reenactment...

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ACTIVITY #1 Week 3

Sink or Float

SUPPLIES: Tub/container, water, rock, items that will sink/float

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Gather children around you on the floor or at a table.**
 - *“Friends, today in our true Bible story we learned about God providing water for his people. It was amazing! God is so powerful!*
 - *Let’s have some fun with water today!”*

- ⇒ **Hold up one item at a time. Ask them if it will sink or float. Drop it in and see. Save the rock for last**
 - *“The game is called sink or float. I have several items here. Some of them will sink and some of them will float. We are going to try to guess what each one will do! When I hold up each item I want you to tell me if you think it will sink or float! Let’s do it!”*

- ⇒ **Hold up the rock.**
 - *“What is this boys and girls? That’s right, it’s a rock! Do you think it will sink or float? Let’s see!*
 - *SINK! You were right.*
 - *(Pick the rock back up) This reminds me of our true Bible story, only in our story it was a big huge rock. Do you remember what God made come out of the rock? WATER! That’s right! God provided WATER from a ROCK! WOW!*

- ⇒ **Complete the activity and Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“God knew his people were thirsty and there was no water in the desert. So he used Moses to bring water out of a rock. Isn’t that amazing? God is SO powerful!*
 - ***Who is powerful? God is powerful!”***

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ACTIVITY #1 Week 4

Find the healthy food!

SUPPLIES: Bin of misc. play food

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Have children join you in the center of the room.**

- *“In today’s true Bible story, we heard how God helped Daniel make the right food choices. Daniel listened to God and obeyed!”*

⇒ **Scatter food around the room.**

- *“I have lots of healthy food right here! Look at all these fruits and veggies! I am going to hide them around the room and then I want you to go find the good food! Everybody close your eyes!”*

⇒ **Have the children pick up the food and bring it back to you then ask...**

- ***Who is powerful?***
- ***God is powerful!***

⇒ **Repeat as long as children are interested. Complete the activity and Bring it Back to Jesus.**

- *“God gave Daniel the power to make the right choice and follow His rules. So Daniel only ate vegetables and only drank water. When we ask God to help us, He will. God is so powerful. He can help us make the right choice. Friends, tell me...”*
- ***Who is powerful?***
- ***God is powerful!***

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ACTIVITY #1 Week 5

Daniel and the Lions Reenactment

SUPPLIES: Lion puppets from the craft

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Have children bring their lion puppets to the center of the room and have a seat in a circle.**

- *"In today's Bible story, we heard how God's power protected Daniel from the lions.*
- *Today, we are going to act out the Bible story with our puppets!"*

⇒ **Have one child volunteer to be Daniel and the other children will be the lions. Reenact the story.**

- *"Would anyone like to take a turn being Daniel? Great. Ok everyone, this is Daniel! Daniel loved God and prayed to Him every day. Daniel, will you get down on your knees and show us how you pray?" Great job!*
- *Friends, do you remember what happened when Daniel prayed? King Darius was tricked into making a new law so that Daniel couldn't pray to God anymore. Oh no! He had to throw him in the lions' den!*
- *Alright lions. Everybody ROAR! Let's all walk in a circle around Daniel and roar. 'ROAR!'"*

⇒ **Have children say the memory verse together.**

- *But what did Daniel do? He prayed to God and God kept him safe! Let's all say our memory verse together while Daniel prays*
 - *"Great is our Lord and mighty in power." Psalm 147:5*
- *Alright Lions. You heard it! God is mighty in power! Everybody lay down and go to sleep!*
- *When King Darius woke up in the morning he came down and found that Daniel was not hurt! God protected Daniel from the lions!*

⇒ **Repeat with new Daniels for as long as children are interested. Complete the activity and Bring it Back to Jesus.**

- *"Wow! God's power protected Daniel from the lions. God's power can protect us, too. Tell me again..."*
- ***Who is powerful?***
- ***God is powerful!"***

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ACTIVITY #2

Pass the Hard Hat

SUPPLIES: Hard hat, CD Player, EC Worship Cd

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Gather children in the center of the room and help them sit in a circle. Hold up the hard hat.**
 - *“Friends, do you know what this is? A Hard hat! All month long we are hearing true Bible stories about how powerful God is! Today we will play a game with this hard hat to help us remember our memory verse, but before we do, let’s all say it together!”*
 - *‘Great is our Lord and mighty in power.’ Psalm 147:5*
- ⇒ **Play “hot potato” with the hard hat.**
 - *“When I start the music, we are going to pass this hat around the circle. When I stop the music, whoever is holding the hard hat is going to stand up. You can put on the hat or hold it in your hands. Then we will all say the memory verse together. Are you ready? Let’s go!”*
- ⇒ **When the music stops, have that child say the memory verse along with the whole class.**
- ⇒ **Repeat activity until everyone gets a turn and Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“Nice job, friends! Next time you see a worker wearing a hard hat on a big powerful truck I want you to remember that we know someone even more powerful!! Friends, tell me...”*
 - **Who is powerful?**
 - **God is powerful!”**

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ACTIVITY #3

Freeze Dance

SUPPLIES: Cd player, EC worship CD

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Have children join you in the center of the room and spread out.**
 - *“Friends, when I think about how powerful God is I feel so happy. I know that I can trust him because he can do anything. He is so powerful! Let’s dance and celebrate!”*

- ⇒ **Start the music and let children dance. Randomly stop the music and say FREEZE.**
 - *“Freeze!”*
 - *Nice dance moves, everybody! Tell me...Who is powerful? God is powerful!”*

- ⇒ **Repeat as long as children are interested.**

- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“That was SUPER fun! Tell me, Who is powerful?”*
 - ***God is powerful!***

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August 14-16

READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY AUGUST WEEK 3

SANITIZE HANDS AND PASS OUT MOON SAND

READ

- ⇒ The Bible
 - *Beginner's Bible: Food From Heaven, p. 116*

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

- ⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line
 - **Who is powerful?**
 - **God is powerful!**
- ⇒ Memory Verse
 - **"Great is our Lord and mighty in power." Psalm 147:5**

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

CONNECT IT QUESTION: What is something God used his power to create?

- ⇒ "Today we'll make a list of things we need. It can be water, sleep, food, clothes, a place to live, friends, whatever you need! When I say your name, **tell me one thing you need** and I will write it down.
 - *Have each child share and write the ideas down on the weekly question strip/board/paper.*
- ⇒ This is a great list. Let's use this when we pray and thank God for providing everything we need.
- ⇒ Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**:
 - *"Dear God, You know everything. That means You know we need things like (read the list the children made). We believe You have the power to give us what we need. Thank You for already giving us Jesus to be our friend forever. We really need Jesus! We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."*

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READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY
AUGUST WEEK 4

SANITIZE HANDS AND PASS OUT MOON SAND

READ

No corresponding story for this week, but you can review the Bible story on your own using the Bible story cards!

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

⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line

- **Who is powerful?**
- **God is powerful!**

⇒ Memory Verse

- **“Great is our Lord and mighty in power.” Psalm 147:5**

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

CONNECT IT QUESTION: What is your favorite thing that lives in the water?

⇒ “Since today’s story had a lot of food in it, we’ll make a list of our favorite foods. Then we can use our list to thank God for food! When I say your name, **tell me one of your favorite foods**, and I will write it down.

- *Have each child share and write the ideas down on the weekly question strip/board/paper.*

⇒ This list is making me hungry! Let’s use this list when we pray.

⇒ Let’s fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**:

- *“Dear God, Thank You for food and how You use it to make us grow strong. Thank You for foods like (read the list the children made). They are SO good to eat! We also want to thank You for using Your awesome power to help us make right choices. I pray that (say each child’s name) will always look to You to help them know the right choice to make. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.”*

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August 28-30

READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY AUGUST WEEK 5

SANITIZE HANDS AND PASS OUT MOON SAND

READ

⇒ The Bible

- *Beginner's Bible: Daniel and the Lions, p. 251*

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

⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line

- **Who is powerful?**
- **God is powerful!**

⇒ Memory Verse

- **"Great is our Lord and mighty in power." Psalm 147:5**

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

CONNECT IT QUESTION: What is your favorite thing that lives in the water?

⇒ "Today, we'll make a list of places we go. God is so powerful that He was with Daniel, even in the lions' den. That means that no matter where we go, God is so powerful that He can be with us, too! When I say your name, **tell me a place – anywhere in the world**, and I will write it down.

- *Have each child share and write the ideas down on the weekly question strip/board/paper.*

⇒ This is a great list of places. Let's use this list when we pray.

⇒ Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**:

- *"Dear God, Thank You for helping us learn how powerful You are. Wow! You are SO powerful! Your power can give us what we need. Your power can help us make the right choice. And only You have the power to be with us everywhere we go, just like you were with Daniel. Thank You for being with us when we go to (read the list the children made). We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."*