

February Week 1

It's a Party!

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STEP 1

Worship-Bible Lesson-Craft

SUPPLIES:

Foam Door Hanger, Memory Verse label, Heart Foam Shape stickers, Dixie cups

TIP:

You can prep the stickers ahead of time by lining up Dixie cups and placing 10 stickers in each cup. Later, when the kids are done with the craft, you can encourage them to gather up their scraps and place them in the cup. Empty cups into garbage and keep the cups for the next class!

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Have children take a seat at the table.**

- *"Today we learned a brand-new memory verse. Do everything in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14*
- *Can we try it all together? Do everything in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14*
- *Great job, friends!*

⇒ **Pass out the Door hangers and memory verse labels.**

- *This label says our memory verse – Do everything in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14. Let's put it on our door hanger.*

⇒ **Pass out Dixie cups filled with 10 stickers each.**

- *Now let's decorate our door hangers with heart stickers!*

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

- *These look great, everybody! You can hang these memory verse door hangers on your bedroom door and look at them every day. Every time you look at it I want you to remember that Jesus loves you and he wants to be your friend forever. Jesus loves EVERYONE!*
- ***Who does Jesus love?***
- ***Jesus loves everyone!"***

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STEP 2 – Activity #1

Party Time!

SUPPLIES: Crepe paper streamers, wall tape, CD Player, EC Worship CD

TIP: Pre-cut strips of crepe paper and add wall tape to one end

What You DO and SAY:

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

- *“Today we heard Jesus tell a story about a big, beautiful party and EVERYONE was invited! We are going to pretend to have a big party in here today!”*

⇒ **Give each child one or two streamers of crepe paper and tell them to hang them around the room.**

- *“Let’s decorate for the party! Take your streamer and hang it up and help me get this room ready to party!”*

⇒ **Turn on worship music and have a dance party or play a game of freeze dance.**

- *“This room looks great! The best part about a party with Jesus is EVERYONE is invited because Jesus loves everyone! We are ready to party! Let’s dance!”*

⇒ **Repeat as long as children are interested and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**

- *“Jesus wants us to know that He loves everyone. I’m so glad that’s true!”*
- **Who does Jesus love?**
- **Jesus loves everyone!”**

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Step 2 – Activity #2

Heart Look and Find

SUPPLIES: Heart and earth stress balls

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Have children join you in the center of the room and show them the hearts and earths.**
 - *“Today in our true Bible story we learned that Jesus love EVERYONE! His love is SO BIG! He has so much love for everyone in the world!*
 - *Do you see what I have here? What is this? A heart! And this? The Earth! These can remind us that Jesus loves EVERYONE all over the earth. He loves everyone, everywhere!*

- ⇒ **Scatter the stress balls around the room and have children gather them.**
 - *“I want you to close your eyes and I am going to spread these out all around the room. It’s just like Jesus’ love - it goes everywhere! When I tell you it’s time to open your eyes I want you to find all the hearts and earths!*
 - *Close your eyes now!*
 - *Are you ready? Open them!*

- ⇒ **Have children find all the stress balls. Repeat as long as children are interested.**

- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“You did such a great job finding all the hearts and earths! I felt so much love all over this room! It’s just like Jesus’ love because Jesus loves everyone!*
 - ***Who does Jesus love?***
 - ***Jesus loves everyone!”***

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STEP 3

Read-Ask-Practice-Pray

Here are some ideas to try in a group or one-on-one.

2-year-olds are all at different stages of development! Some are ready to answer big questions and say the memory verse, while others aren't ready to talk yet. Even if they aren't ready to answer, they are listening!

READ A STORY

- *Jesus Loves Me* by Debby Anderson
- *Jesus Loves the Little Children* by Debby Anderson

ASK A QUESTION

Who does Jesus love? Jesus loves everyone!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"Do everything in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14

SAY A PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for making me.

Thank you for loving me.

Thank you for sending Jesus to be my friend forever.

Amen.