

June Week 3
Garden
Making Waves

June 19

CRAFT

Make Waves Door Hanger

SUPPLIES: Door Hanger, Summertime stickers, Memory verse label, Make Waves label, Jesus can help me do everything label

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Pass out door hangers.**

- *“Friends, all summer long we will be learning about how we can MAKE WAVES when we choose to live like Jesus! Today we learned that Jesus can help us choose peace!”*
- *Let’s make some awesome door hangers to hang up somewhere special and remember that Jesus can help us do everything!*

⇒ **Pass out one label at a time and explain what it says.**

- Make Waves: *This sticker says “Let’s Make Waves!” We can make waves and change the world one choice at a time. When we choose peace we are making waves!*
- Memory Verse: *This sticker has our memory verse on it! Can you say it with me? “I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.” Philippians 4:13*
- Jesus can: *This sticker says “Jesus can help me do everything!” That’s true, friends! So far we have learned that Jesus can help us choose love, joy, and peace!*

⇒ **Spread other stickers out on the table to choose from.**

- *“Now let’s decorate our door hangers with these cool stickers!”*

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

- *“These door hangers look amazing! I want you to hang them up in a special spot so that you can remember that we can make waves this summer and change the world – Jesus can help us!”*
- ***Who can help you do everything?***
- ***Jesus can help me do everything!”***

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ACTIVITY #1

Peace Delivery

SUPPLIES: David and His Army/Nabal pages, floor tape, toy food

SET UP: Create a long tape line on the floor. Lay Nabal picture on one end and David and his army picture on the other.

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Gather on the Nabal side of the tape line.**

- *“Nabal had A LOT of sheep. David and his army helped Nabal take care of his sheep. When David and his army were done, they wanted some food to eat. Did Nabal give David and his army food? (Pause.) No. Nabal was not very nice to David and his army. This made David very angry.”*

⇒ **Hold up the basket of food.**

- *“Abigail was Nabal’s wife. When she heard that Nabal was not being nice to David and that David was so angry he wanted to fight Nabal, she knew she had to do something. She wanted to choose peace. Do you remember what Abigail took to David and his army? (Give each child a piece of toy food.) Yes! Abigail chose peace and quickly took lots of food to David and his army.”*

⇒ **Have each child walk the tape line to the army side and set their food down.**

- *“Let’s help the army like Abigail did! When it’s your turn I want you to walk the line and bring your food to David’s army. You can get back in line and bring more food until we’ve shared everything we’ve got!*
- *When you get here I want you to say ‘I can choose peace!’”*

⇒ **Repeat until the food has all been delivered.**

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

- *“When Abigail gave David and his army food to eat, they were happy and didn’t want to fight Nabal anymore. Abigail chose peace and it helped A LOT of people!”*
- *“God gave us Jesus to be our friend forever and help us choose peace. Jesus can help us choose peace because Jesus can help us do everything!”*
- **Who can help you do everything?**
- **Jesus can help me do everything!”**

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ACTIVITY #2

Parachute

SUPPLIES: Parachute, Optional: heart squishies

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Have children form a circle around the parachute.**
 - *“Friends, today in our true Bible story we learned that when we love and trust Jesus, he can help us to choose peace! We can make peace between others and feel peace inside our own hearts! Jesus can help us because He can help us with EVERYTHING!”*

- ⇒ **Have children hold the parachute very still and wait. Then make waves.**
 - *“Friends, I want you to listen very carefully to my directions. We are going to make very peaceful waves. Are you ready?”*
 - *Let’s go slow and steady and keep the waves very peaceful.*
 - *Now let’s all lift the parachute up as high as we can nice and steady. And let’s bring it back down. Nice work everybody!*
 - ***Who can help you do everything?***
 - ***Jesus can help me do everything!”***

- ⇒ **Option: add heart smiley faces to the parachute and ask them to move the parachute very peacefully to keep them from popping off. You can also do a few crazy rounds and then “choose peace” and calm it down. Have fun trying lots of different ways!**

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

- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“Friends, Jesus is such a good friend. And when we know Jesus is our friend he can help us to choose peace. He can help us do everything!”*
 - ***Who can help you do everything?***
 - ***Jesus can help me do everything!”***

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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 BIBLE STORY or STORY BOOK

⇒ *9 Fruits Alive*

⇒ *Jesus Loves Me*

⇒ *Jesus is With Me*

ASK A QUESTION

Who can help you with everything?

Jesus can help me with everything!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength."

Philippians 4:13

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.