

**July Week 2**

**Making Waves**

*July 10*

# **CRAFT**

## *This little light of mine*

**SUPPLIES:** This little light of mine page, crayons, yellow ink pad, wet wipes

### **What You DO and SAY:**

- ⇒ **Have children join you at the table and pass out This Little Light of Mine page**
  - *“Friends, today we learned that we can let our light shine so that others can see God’s goodness in us! We are going to make a special craft to help us remember to shine the light of Jesus to everyone we meet!*
  - *Do you see what is on this page? Yes! A candle!*
  - *And these words say ‘This little light of mine, I’m going to let it shine.’”*
  
- ⇒ **Show children how to place one finger on the ink pad and then press it on the flame part of the candle.**
  - *“Let’s decorate our candle! I have a yellow ink pad and we are going to press our finger on the ink and then press it on our paper on the fire part. Can you make your candle look like it is glowing in the dark?”*
  
- ⇒ **Have children decorate the rest of the page with crayons.**
  - *“Those candle flames look great! So bright!*
  - *Let’s use the crayons to decorate the rest of our page. Can you color in the letters?”*
  
- ⇒ **Complete activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus**
  - *“These look fantastic, friends! We can shine the light of Jesus so that everyone can see God’s goodness. And Jesus can help us!*
  - ***Who can help you do everything?***
  - ***Jesus can help me do everything!”***

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# ACTIVITY #1

*Shine your light!*

**SUPPLIES:** tea lights

## What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **This activity can be done from tables after the craft or gathered in the center of the room. Give each child a tea light and supervise to make sure they do not put them in their mouths.**
  - *“Friends, let’s use these cool lights and talk about our lesson from today!”*
  
- ⇒ **Discuss the story from today. Turn out the lights except for one tea light. (Be sensitive about kiddos who are nervous about the dark. This can absolutely be done with the lights on!) Follow directions and as you tell the story turn on the tea lights and have children use their hand to cover up the light and then lift their hand and let their light shine.**
  - *“In our story, Jesus said that when we show God’s goodness to others, it’s like we are shining a light that shows everyone God is good. (Turn on one light.)*
  - *We show others that God is good when we choose goodness by helping, sharing, or saying kind words.*
  - *But what about when we are not kind to our friends, don’t share, or don’t help, Jesus said it’s like we are covering up our light. (Cover light by putting hand in front of the candle.)*
  - *Jesus said, ‘Let your light shine!’ And he knew that when we do that, it would help others to shine their light, too! I am going to come shine my light on you and when I do you can turn on your candle so all of our lights are shining! (Turn on all of the candles.)*
  - *Wow! Look how your lights shine! You must have the light of Jesus inside of you!”*
  
- ⇒ **Finish the activity and bring it back to Jesus.**
  - *“And friends, here is the best part. We don’t have to do this by ourselves! When Jesus is our friend forever, he can help us to show God’s goodness to everyone! He can help us do everything! Friends, tell me....*
  - ***Who can help you do everything? Jesus can help me do everything!”***

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## **ACTIVITY #2**

### *Bottom Line Hop*

**SUPPLIES:** 6 hula hoops placed very closely together on the floor

#### **What You DO and SAY:**

⇒ **Gather children in the center of the room.**

- *“Friends, all summer long we have been learning that we can love like Jesus and we can show everyone around us his love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, and goodness.*
- *And do we have to do these things alone? No way! Who can help you do everything?*
- *Jesus can help me do everything!”*

⇒ **Show children the hula hoops. Demonstrate how to hop from hoop to hoop as you say each word.**

- *“Friends, I am going to ask you, ‘Who can help you do everything?’ and I want you to jump like this as you say –*
- *‘Jesus (hop) can (hop) help (hop) me (hop) do (hop) everything (hop)!*

⇒ **Have each child take a turn.**

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

- *“Friends, I am so thankful God sent Jesus to be our friend forever because Jesus 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**

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life.'" John 14:6

### **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.