

CRAFT

Helper Badge

SUPPLIES: Helper Badge, Star Sticker, Yarn, Tape, Crayons

TIP: Tape yarn to the back top corners to make a necklace.

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Gather children at the table and pass out Helper Badges and 1 star sticker.**

- *“Friends, we have been learning about people who help us. Some people who help us have badges, like firemen and police officers. I have a helper badge for you to decorate and wear today. Let’s put the star in the middle of our badge first.”*

⇒ **Have children color the badge. Once they are done, you can tape the yarn to the back top corners so they can wear them as a necklace. Review the Bible story.**

- *Today, our story began with how many friends? (Hold up four fingers.) Four friends, that’s right! They knew someone who needed help, a man whose legs didn’t work and he couldn’t walk. He had to be carried everywhere. One day, Jesus came to their town. There are so many amazing things to know about Jesus. Jesus is God’s Son. Jesus is an amazing teacher. And Jesus can do things only He can do.*
- *When people heard Jesus was in town, so many people ran to see Him that the house He was in was packed full of people! The four friends were excited, too, and took their friend who couldn’t walk to see Jesus. They carried him all the way there. When they got to Jesus, they couldn’t get in the door because of all the people. Helpers, do you remember what the friends did? (Pause.) That’s right! They carried their friend to the top of the house, dug a hole in the roof, and lowered their friend to Jesus. When Jesus saw how much the man and his friends believed that He could help, Jesus did something amazing. Jesus made the man’s legs all better and he could walk, and even dance! Hooray!*

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

- *“Those four friends did what God made them to do. They helped, and we can help, too. Are you ready to put your badges on? They say ‘I am a helper! God made me to help others.’ Great work, friends!*
- *God made you and me to help others. Hooray for helping!*
- ***Who made you to help others? God made me to help others!”***

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ACTIVITY #1

Look and Find the Smile

SUPPLIES: 5 heart pages (3 of which have smiley face stickers on the back side, wall tape

SET-UP: Tape the heart pictures around the room at children's eye level. Tape only the top of the picture so that it can be flipped up.

What You DO and SAY:

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

- *"Friends! Join me over here. I need your help finding smiley faces. Will you help me?"*
- *Look! There are hearts on the walls around the room. Let's see if there are any smiley faces hiding under the hearts. Let's go to that heart over there and check!"*

⇒ **Lead children around the room to find each heart and check for smiley face underneath it.**

- *"Is there a smiley face hiding under the heart? There is!"*
- *Friends, when we show love to others and help them it makes them feel happy!*
- ***Who made you to help others?***
- ***God made me to help others!***
- *Let's see if we can find more smiley faces. Let's go try that one!"*

⇒ **Repeat until all the smileys have been found.**

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

- *"Thank you for helping me find the smiley faces. You are GREST helpers! Hooray for helping! It makes me happy to help others and it makes me happy when people help me. God made you and me to help others.*
- ***Who made you to help others?***
- ***God made me to help others!"***

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ACTIVITY #2

Memory Verse

SUPPLIES: Reward stickers

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 an awesome 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.**
 - *“We have the Lord our God to help us.” 2 Chronicles 32:8*
 - *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!*
 - *Who made you to help others?*
 - *God made me to help others!”*

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

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

⇒ *The Beginner's Bible*

- A Hole in the Roof, p. 328

ASK A QUESTION

Who made you to help others?
God made me to help others!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"We have the Lord our God to help us." 2 Chronicles 32:8

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.