



WEEK  
**FOUR**  
JUNE 2024

SMALL GROUP  
**3-5** YEAR  
-OLDS

PRELUDE      SOCIAL      WORSHIP      STORY      **GROUPS**      HOME

CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT  
25 MINUTES

**MADE TO CREATE**  
an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft to take home



**1. JOY IN MY HEART**

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE REVIEW]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Joy in My Heart" Activity Page, cardstock, party blowers, washable markers or dot markers, scissors, baby wipes, and a permanent marker

**WHAT YOU DO:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** Copy "Joy in My Heart" on cardstock and cut, one per child. Write each child's name on their heart cutout and party blower.

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** Ask children to color the heart cutouts. Then, help them slide the heart cutouts onto their blowers. Clean hands as needed. Say the verse together several times.

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** Say the Memory Verse with the motions one more time, and encourage children to blow their horns. Review the Bottom Line.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

**BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:** "Friends, join me over here! Let's do the motions as we say our verse together. Everybody ready? 'A joyful (*brush flat hands upward twice*) heart (*tap chest twice with fingertip*) is good medicine,' (*move flat hand from chin to palm*) Proverbs 17:22. (*Open hands like a book.*) Great job!"

**DURING THE ACTIVITY:** "I have something neat for us to make today. It's a heart party blower with our verse on it. Decorate both sides of your heart with the markers. (*Pause.*) Great job, friends! Now, slide the heart onto your party blower like this. (*Demonstrate.*) Yay! Let's say the words to our verse. 'A joyful heart is good medicine,' Proverbs 17:22. Super-duper!"

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "Our Memory Verse teaches us that we can have joy all the time because God loves us. **Who can have joy all the time? I can have joy all the time.** Let's say our verse and do the motions one more time. 'A joyful (*brush flat hands upward twice*) heart (*tap chest twice with fingertip*) is good medicine,' (*move flat hand from chin to palm*) Proverbs 17:22. (*Open hands like a book.*) **Who can have joy all the time? I can have joy all the time.**"

**BIBLE STORY**

I can have joy when I see what God has made.

**JOY IN THE PSALMS  
PSALMS 8 AND 19**

**MEMORY VERSE**

"A joyful heart is good medicine."

**PROVERBS 17:22, ESV**

**KEY QUESTION**

Who can have joy all the time?

**BOTTOM LINE**

I can have joy all the time.

**BASIC TRUTH**

God loves me.



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**MADE TO REFLECT**  
an activity that encourages personal application and prayer

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**6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER**

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Memory Verse Card" Activity Page from Week One in Bible, a journal, and a fun-shaped pen

**BIBLE STORY**

I can have joy when I see what God has made.

**JOY IN THE PSALMS  
PSALMS 8 AND 19**

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

Now let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. (*Open journal.*) Today, we're going to make a list of things God has made, because we can have joy when we see the things God has made! When I say your name, tell me one thing God has made and I will write it in our journal." (*Remember to print as you write in the journal, so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)

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**MEMORY VERSE**

"A joyful heart  
is good medicine."

**PROVERBS 17:22, ESV**

**AFTER THE ACTIVITY:** "Look at all of the things God has made! (*Hold up journal.*) Let's pray and celebrate God together! Would anyone like to pray before I pray? (*Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.*) Dear God, You are amazing! No one can make things like You can. You made the whole world and everything in it! Thank You for making (*read the list the children made*). Help us think of You and have joy every time we see the things You have made. We love You, God. In Jesus' name. Amen."

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