

The Farmer and The Seed – Parable of The Sower.

Bible Story: The Parable of the Sower. God's Words are like a seed growing in our hearts. I want God's love to grow strong in my heart. I will tell everyone about Jesus. Luke 85

5. Butterfly Song – Bran Howard - Noah's Ark CD

3 The Birds up In The Tree Tops - Noah's Ark CD

15. Make Me Like A Tree – Nigel Cato - Noah's Ark CD

16 My Little Heart – Cathy Spurr & Debbie Mc Neil -

Noah's Ark CD: Available at www.lambsongs.co.nz

Verse

Love the Lord with all your heart.

Deuteronomy chapter 6 verse 5

Lesson

There are many points to this story – I keep it simple for little children.

***Jesus told a story –**

He wants us to remember something important.

- **Gods words in the Bible are like seeds that grow big and strong in our hearts.**
- **A good heart grows good seed.**
- **And do what God's words say.**
- **I want my heart to be like good ground**
- **I want to plant seeds of God's love in other people's hearts too so they can know about Jesus.**

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- Book – “The Farmer and The Seed” by Jill Kemp from www.lambsongs.co.nz

Show pictures.

This is a story about a farmer

***He planted some seed**

***He wanted the seed to grow into good strong plants with lots more seeds.**

***Some seed fell on the path**

***It got stood on and squashed.**

***Some fell on good ground but the birds ate it.**

***Some fell onto rocks.**

*** It started to grow but it was too hot and dry and it died.**

***Some seed fell in a weed patch there was no room to row.**

But some seed fell on good ground. It grew into big strong plants

***With lots of seed for the farmer to harvest.**

- **Make a visual aid (or use pictures, or seeds and seeds in fruit etc)**
- ***Have a roasting dish with soil, a path, weeds, rocks.**
- **Some bird seed or what to scatter.**
- **Watering can**
- **Sunshine**

- Doll etc to “walk” on path
- Bird to eat seed.
- Have the children scatter the seed
- Where is the best place for seed to grow.
- Seed needs good soil
- Water and sunshine.

That’s like us

A good heart listens

A good heart obeys God’s words – Doing what is good and right, being honest and kind – like Jesus.

Love for Jesus grows strong in our hearts.

Telling others about Jesus is like putting a seed into their hearts that can grow too.

Activity: Yogurt pot – filled with potting mix.

(Children can decorate)

Bean seeds,

Watering can

Glad wrap, paper and rubber band

(so seed arrives home safely.

- Alternately: A flower shape with picture of Jesus and heart in centre.

Teacher will use: Noah's Ark Extra CD

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Puppet to tell each child by name "...Jesus loves you"
Props and activities are prepared for you and will be in class.

Teacher Preparation: Learn memory verse.

Love the Lord with all your heart.

Deuteronomy chapter 6 verse 5

Please ensure:

*New people fill out enrolment form.

*The Roll is ticked

* New people get CD pack

Children take home: Book: "The Good Worker." By Jill Kemp.

Thanks to all our awesome helpers!

5 Butterfly Song

By Brian Howard AMCOS

Butterfly

Robin

Fish

Heart Smile

Jesus

made me your child

Elephant

Kangaroo

Octopus

Heart Smile

Jesus

made me your child

Wiggerly Worm

Crocodile

Fuzzy Wuzzy Bear

Heart Smile

Jesus

made me your child

3. The Birds Up In The Tree Tops

Source unknown.

Words adapted by Jill Kemp

The birds up in the tree tops

bird beak actions

Sing their song

Early in the morning

And all day long

The flowers in the garden show

arms wave above head

God's love to you

point other person

So why shouldn't I

point to self

Why shouldn't you

point to others

Praise God too

clap

15. Make Me Like A Tree

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Noah's Ark

Make me like a tree

wave hands overhead

Planted by a river

snake like motion with hand

A strong and healthy tree

wave arms overhead

Bearing fruit forever

Roots down deep in the soil of Your love

fingers clawed downwards

Raindrops glisten on the leaves above

rain

A welcome home for the heavenly dove

thumbs crossed fly bird

Make me like a tree

wave arms overhead

Planted by the river of life s

snake like motion with hand

16 .My Little Heart

Noahs Ark

Cathy Spurr & Debbie McNeil

My little heart has a great big love

hands on heart

A great big love for Jesus

Open wide

x2

I heard him knock

knock

I let him in

beckon in

Now my little heart has a great big love

hands on heart

A great big love for Jesus

open wide

Song goes through "Knock" 4 xs