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VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE

ELEMENTARY: MONDAY

Bible Story: Who is Jesus? • John 10:14 and John 14:6

Bottom Line: I can have confidence because I am known.

Memory Verse: “My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.” John 15:12 (NIV)

CRAFT:

COSMIC SUNCATCHERS

With a few supplies you probably have in your home, you can create these stunning sun-catchers. All families need is white glue, food coloring, a leftover plastic lid, toothpicks, and string!

What You Need:

White glue

Food coloring

Toothpicks

Plastic lid (any leftover round lid—like from a tub of yogurt, sour cream, or butter)

Hole punch or pencil (to poke a hole in the suncatcher to thread string through for hanging)

String or yarn

What You Do:

Step 1: Pour a generous amount of glue into your plastic lid and make sure to cover the entire inner surface of the lid. The suncatcher will be as thick as the glue you pour, so be sure not to make it too thin.

Step 2: Have kids put drops of food coloring around the glue.

Step 3: Using a toothpick, swirl the colors around in the glue. Stop swirling before the colors get too combined or the final result will be muddy and brown, unless that’s what a child wants.

Step 4: Let the glue dry. As the colors settle, they will expand and create a tie-dyed effect. Depending on how much glue used, the sun-catcher will take one to three days to fully dry. You will know it’s ready when the edges start to peel away from the lid.

Step 5: When the glue is fully dry, peel the sun-catcher out of the lid, poke a hole through the top, add a string, and hang in a sunny spot. The suncatcher will work best if it’s kept inside and hung in a window. White glue is water-soluble and will deteriorate if left in the elements outside.

What You Say: “Knowing Jesus makes us feel known. Feeling known makes us confident. *[Make it Personal Parents! Tell a story about feeling known by Jesus.]* Let’s say our bottom line together. **[Bottom Line] “I can have confidence because I am known.”**

GAME:

1. WHO ARE YOU? (INDOOR VERSION)

What You Need: paper (2 or 3 pieces per family member), scissors, something to write with, bag/bowl to hold paper slips

What You Do:

Cut the pieces of paper into several small strips.

Give each family member a few strips and something to write with.

Have every family member write attributes of themselves on slips of paper.

Some attributes could be:

- o Favorite color
- o Favorite food
- o Stuffed animal's name
- o Favorite hobby

Put all the slips of paper in a hat, bag, or bowl.

Take turns drawing a slip of paper and reading the attribute out loud.

Based on the attribute, guess who wrote the attribute.

The family member who answers correctly gets to keep the paper.

The family member with the most papers at the end, wins!

For younger children: Have an older sibling or grown-up help write and read the attributes.

What You Say: “We can figure these things out about each other because we know and love one another. *[Make it Personal] [Give examples of the attributes you used.]* In the same way, God knows everything about us and loves us. He loves us so much He sent Jesus to earth to pay for our sins so we can have a relationship with Him. We can have confidence because God knows everything about us and loves us! Let’s say the Bottom Line together: **[Bottom Line] I can have confidence because I am known.**”

2. WHO ARE YOU? (OUTDOOR OR LARGE SPACE VERSION)

What You Need: shirt, bandana or other fabric to use as a blindfold

What You Do:

Choose a family member to be “It” and have them wear the blindfold.

Direct all the other family members to scatter around the area and freeze in place.

Have each person take a turn calling out something about the blindfolded person—it can be their favorite food, hobby, color, etc.

By listening to the voices, direct “It” to try to walk to person talking.

Their turn is up when they find one of the family members.

What You Say: “You are known and loved by your family. We know what you like and dislike. We were able to help you by telling you the things we know about you. God helps us by giving us the things He knows we need. He gave us Jesus. We can have confidence because we are known by our loving God. He knows everything about us! Let’s say the Bottom Line together: **[Bottom Line] I can have confidence because I am known.**”