

# PRESS PLAY

## VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE

### PRESCHOOL: WEDNESDAY

#### **CRAFT:**

##### **Peek A Boo Zacchaeus**

*Made to Create:* An activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, Bottom Line, or Memory Verse by creating a craft

**What You Need:** paper or disposable plastic cup, plastic straw, construction paper, tape, scissors, permanent marker

##### **What You Do:**

*Before the Activity:*

- Draw a circle about 2-3" with a smiley face and cut out.
- Draw a tree on the cup.
- Punch a hole in the middle of the bottom of the cup.

*During the Activity:*

- Tape the face to the top of the straw.
- Have your child feed the straw into the hole inside the cup.
- Have your child push Zacchaeus in and out of the tree by moving the straw up and down.

*After the Activity:*

- Review the Bible story.

##### **What You Say:**

*Before the Activity:*

"Today we are going to make a Peek-a-Boo Zacchaeus. Show me how you play Peek-a-Boo. *(Pause.)* Yes! That's what our craft is going to do. Let's get started!"

*During the Activity:*

"This smiley face will be Zacchaeus. Tape him to the top of the straw. *(Pause.)* Super! Now stick the straw into the hole in the bottom of your cup like this. *(Demonstrate.)* Good! Now watch Zacchaeus peek-a-boo! *(Pull the straw down and up to show Zacchaeus.)* Give it a try. *(Pause.)* Nice."

*After the Activity:*

"In our Bible story today, we heard about Zacchaeus. He was a tax collector and no one liked him because he was greedy with the money he collected. When Jesus came to town, everyone went to see Him—even Zacchaeus. But Zacchaeus was too short to see over everyone, so he climbed a tree and it worked! He saw Jesus, and Jesus saw him. Jesus told him to come down from the tree and take him to his house for a visit. So Zacchaeus did! When no one else wanted to be Zacchaeus' friend, Jesus did. Jesus loves each and every one of us even when we've done something wrong. **Who loves you? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves me.**"

# GAME:

## Coin Tossing

*Made to Move: An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn*

**What You Need:** jump rope, paper plates, aluminum foil, glue sticks, or disposable aluminum pie pans

### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:*

- Glue aluminum foil to a handful of paper plates.
- Lay the jump rope on the floor.

*During the Activity:*

- Give your child a few paper plates or the aluminum pie pans.
- Stand across the room from the jump rope.
- Encourage your child to toss their plates/pans like a frisbee over the jump rope.
- Count how many crossed over the jump rope and how many came close to the jump rope.
- Have your child pick up their plates/pie pans and try again as time and interest allow.

*After the Activity:*

- Collect all the plates/pie pans for clean-up.

### What You Say:

*Before the Activity:*

"For this game, you want to get your plates/pie pans over the jump rope. Take one plate/pie pan at a time and toss it just like a frisbee, like this. (*Demonstrate*).

*During the Activity:*

"Once you've tossed all the plates/pie pans, look to see how many made it over the jump rope. (*Pause.*) Gather your plates/pie pans and try again. (*Repeat as many times as desired.*)"

*After the Activity:*

"That was fun! These silver plates/pie pans look like coins. In our Bible story today, we learned about Zacchaeus. Zacchaeus was a tax collector and he was greedy. He kept a lot of the coins he collected for himself. Jesus still loved Zacchaeus and He chose to forgive him. I'm so glad Jesus showed loved to Zacchaeus. Jesus loves you and me too. (*Child's name.*), **who loves you? [Bottom Line] Jesus loves me.**"