



## Week 2 Preschool Lesson At Home

***BIG IDEA:*** Jesus loves everyone.

***Suggested Introduction Activities:***

### **Nature Sensory Bins**

Today, we're on our second week of our series about adventures and exploring! We've been talking about the True Stories of the Bible! Last week, we heard about how God changed a man named Saul. Today, we're going to learn about how God changed the heart of a man named Peter. But first, let's explore some things found in nature!

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Gather nature items and place in a plastic bin. Let the kids play with the materials.*

**Did you like feeling and looking at the nature items in the bins?**

**What was the same about all of them? What was different?** They are all things that are found in nature. They are all unique and different. Even if you look at two different leaves or seashells, you will see they are different. We're going to hear a story today that helps us see that even though we are all different, God loves us all the same.

### **Binocular Creations**

Binoculars are a cool tool that can help you see things that are far away, like a bear fishing in the river across the mountain or a tree blocking that path in front of you. Binoculars are a very helpful tool to have on any adventure!

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Collect toilet paper rolls or paper Dixie cups (with the bottom cut out). You will need two per child. Provide items for decorating, such as markers, crayons, stickers, and paper that can wrap around each lens. Once the lenses are decorated,*

*glue or tape them together. Punch a hole into either side of the binoculars and tie a long piece of yarn or string through the holes.*

Let's use these binoculars to explore and see what lesson God has for us today!

## **BIBLE STORY: Peter and Cornelius. Acts 10:1-38**

**What's your favorite animal? What is an animal you don't like?** We're going to hear a story from the Bible that has to do with animals.

*Look up the story in your Bible and read it.*

**Discussion Questions:** Read the Bible verses then ask these questions.

- **How did God speak to Peter?** (*Through a vision, like a dream.*)
- **Did Peter understand right away what God was saying to him in the vision?** (*No, Peter didn't understand what the vision meant until he went to visit Cornelius.*)
- **What did Peter see on the sheet in his vision?** (*He saw animals that were considered unclean.*)
- **Was it normal for men like Peter and Cornelius to hang out together?** (*No, Peter was a Jew and Cornelius was not which means they weren't supposed to hang out with each other.*)
- **Have you ever met someone that was different from you?**
- **How were they different?**
- **Was it hard to be their friend because they were different from you?**
- **What did Peter realize when he got to Cornelius's house?** (*That God loves and accepts everyone and doesn't have favorites.*)
- **Does God want us to love and accept others, too?** (*You bet He does! God wants us to love and accept everyone, just like Him!*)
- **How can you help someone that's different from you feel loved?**

*Prayer:*

**Here is a suggested prayer:** · Dear God, thank you for loving us just the way we are. Help us to see others as you do and love them like you. We love you so much! Amen.

## **MEMORY VERSE:** Psalm 119:105

*Here are the hand motions for this month's memory verse...*

**YOUR WORD** (*hold hands like an open book*)  
**IS A LAMP** (*hands burst over head with twinkle fingers*)  
**TO MY FEET** (*point to feet*)  
**AND A LIGHT** (*hands burst over head with twinkle fingers*)  
**TO MY PATH** (*hold arms to the side then lift them front of you, highlighting the path*).

### **Suggested Activities:**

#### **Paper Person Chain**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Print one Paper Person Chain printable for each child and cut them out. Give the kids their paper people and art supplies to decorate their paper people. Encourage them to make each person look different.*

This paper person chain is to remind you of how God loves and accepts everyone. They are all connected. We're all connected, because we are all made by God.

This can remind us to love and accept others who might not look or act just like us.

#### **Coloring Page of the Week**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Give every kid a Coloring Page, plus markers or crayons. As they color, remind them about the encounter Saul had with Jesus on the road to Damascus.*

#### **Play-Doh Adventures**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Encourage the kids to use Play-Doh to create things you would need on an outdoor adventure. They can make items such as a map, binoculars, a backpack, a tent, or a flashlight.*