



PRESCHOOL



Luke 19:1-10

Jesus told a parable about two men who needed to build a house. The two men looked for the perfect place.

The first man loved the beach and chose to build his house on sand. It was easy to dig. He thought it was a great idea.

The second man was very wise. He also loved the beach, but he knew sand would not make a good foundation. The wise man chose to build his house on a rocky hill. It was hard work to dig and took a long time, but he knew his house would be safe on the rock.

One day, there was a huge storm. The rain poured down and the winds blew with all their strength. Soon the land became flooded. The storm swept away the house on the sand. But the house on the rock was safe.

When Jesus finished His parable, He taught what it really meant. Jesus said, "If you listen to my words and obey them. You are like the wise man. No matter which storms may come, you will be safe and secure."



Why did Jesus teach with parables? Parables have been put into the Bible to help us learn about God.



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WELCOME

Prepare tables with the opening activities. Greet kids by name as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families.

TABLE #1 - Coloring sheet

TABLE #2 - Count the tools - lay out the toy tools and help preschoolers count just the tools while they play.



INTRODUCE THE BIBLE STORY

Play a game of wise or foolish choices. Show preschoolers the prepared cards, reading the words out loud. Ask preschoolers to stand up if it's a wise choice - doing something which makes God glad; or sit down if it's a foolish choice - doing something which makes God sad.

Jesus told a story about two men who made a choice where to build a house. Let's listen to what happened next.



THE WISE MAN & THE FOOLISH MAN

Play the Bible story video (Jump drive menu September 2024 folder).

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SONG

Lead preschoolers in singing one or more songs found in the September 2024 file.



PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE

Display the key passage poster. Read the words and help preschoolers memorize the words. Clap out a simple rhythm or pass a small object around the circle as each word is stated.

2 PETER 3:18

Grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ.

ACTIVITIES



SAND PLAY

- Allow interested preschoolers to play with the Kinetic sand in the available bins.
- **Sand is fun to play with. We can mold it into fun shapes or build castles at the beach. But does sand creations last? No! As soon as the tide comes in, the castle is ruined. When we make good choices and follow Jesus' words in the Bible, we will have faith in God that lasts and lasts. We can trust God will always love us.**



BUILD A HOUSE

- Allow interested preschoolers to build a house with popsicle sticks. Feel free to use this activity at the beginning of class.
- Read the words on the page and review the story or ask questions about what is right and good things to do.



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers.

Build relationships with parents, encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.