

WEEK 2 | OLDER PRESCHOOL

Need to Know: God Cares About Me

Bible Story: Moses Grows Up

Bible Reference: Exodus 1-3



CIRCLE UP

- DO**
- Welcome kids to church and tell them who you are.
 - **Sanitize** kids' hands. Then allow each child to have a turn reaching in the mystery **bag** to select an **eraser** as they share their name with the group.
 - Have kids do the following based on which eraser is selected:
 - Star - Clap your hands
 - Boot - Stomp your feet
 - Hat - Put on your hat, and say, "Yeehaw!"
 - Afterward, collect the bag with erasers.

SAY *Good job, buckaroos! Now you're ready for a Way Out West adventure!*
No matter where you are, at home or out west, God cares about you! Let me hear you say that after me: (Pause to allow kids to repeat after you)

God Cares (both hands point up)
About Me (thumbs to chest)

READ THE BIBLE

DO Read the **Bible Story Cards** aloud to the group.

- SAY**
- *Was Pharaoh nice or mean to God's people? (Mean)*
 - *You got it! Who found baby Moses in the river: Pharaoh or Pharaoh's daughter? (Pharaoh's daughter)*
 - *Did God talk to Moses from a talking cactus or a burning bush? (Burning bush)*
 - *That's right! And the bush did not burn up! God told Moses that He had a special plan for his life. God cared about Moses, and God cares about you! He has a special plan for your life, too!*

LET'S PRACTICE

- DO**
- Give each child one **Horse Feed Sheet** and one **horse finger puppet**.
 - **Sanitize** kids' hands and allow each child to roll the **foam dice**.
 - Based on the number landed on, have kids move their horse finger puppet that many spaces on their Horse Feed Sheet from left to right. They can pretend their horse is eating the food it lands on.
 - Read the color-corresponding **Feed Card** aloud, allowing responses.
 - Continue playing until each child has a turn. Then collect all materials.

SAY *Just like you cared about your horses by feeding them, God cares about you! Say this after me: (Allow kids to repeat)*

God Cares (both hands point up)
About Me (thumbs to chest)

LET'S PRAY

SAY *Hey God! Thank You for caring about us! Please help us care for others, too. We love You! In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.*

MEMORIZE IT

SAY & DO *There's a verse in the Bible that tells us God loves us, and He has a good plan for you and me. I want to teach you this verse! Just repeat after me: (Pause to allow kids to say each line)*

"God is (both hands point up)
always at work (pound fists on top of each other)
for the good of everyone (two thumbs up)
who loves Him." (hug self)
Romans 8:28 (make book with hands)

- DO**
- Have kids say the verse after you several times in any of these fun ways: with eyes closed, in a whisper voice, in a loud voice, in western voice, etc.
 - **Sanitize** kids' hands again, and place **crayons** in the center of the group. Allow kids to color the front and back of their **Coloring Sheets**.