

WEEK

ONE

Toddlers | W1

Today's Suggested Schedule—July 2026, Week 1

Monthly Bible Story: The Story of the Farmer • Matthew 13:1-23

Bible Words: "Put God's kingdom first." • Matthew 6:33 NIV

Bottom Line: Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.

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Story Time

- Tell It

Craft Time

- Fingerprint Story Art



Monthly Bible Story

The Story of the Farmer • Matthew 13:1-23

Bible Words

"Put God's kingdom first." • Matthew 6:33 NIV

Bottom Line

Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.

5 min

Story Time

5 min

Story Time

What You Need

 Preschool Bible

1

What You Say:

LEADER: "Hello, friends! I'm so happy to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's story from the Bible (hold up the Bible) is a story that Jesus told, about a farmer sowing his seeds.

"The farmer tossed his seeds; some landed on a hard path and birds ate the seeds. Other seeds landed on the rocks. Those seeds grew a little, then they got too hot and shriveled up. Other seeds fell into the thorns, and when the seeds grew, so did the thorns. The thorns grew so big that the seeds didn't have space, so they couldn't grow into a big, strong plant. Then more seeds fell onto good soil. These seeds grew and grew into big, healthy plants that made more seeds.

"Jesus said we want our hearts to be like the good soil. Jesus teaches us so many good things. When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, God's kingdom grows! [Bottom Line] Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.

5 min

Craft Time

5 min

Craft Time

What You Need

	"Fingerprint Story Art" Activity Page	1
	Cardstock	1
	Washable inkpads in a variety of colors (several per Small Group)	Several
	Baby wipes	1
	Permanent marker	1

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Fingerprint Story Art" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

During the Activity: Help children add their fingerprints to the different parts of the story. Clean hands.

What You Say:

During the Activity: "This is a picture of what a seed looks like when planted in good soil. Here is the seed. Let's add your fingerprints here in each of the seeds. *(Help press child's finger into the ink, then onto their paper in each of the seeds.)* Then it grows and becomes a little sprout peeking through the ground. Let's add your fingerprints to the leaves of the sprout. *(Help press child's finger into the ink, then onto their paper.)* Then it grows into a beautiful flower. Let's add your fingerprints to the leaves and petals of the flower. *(Help press child's finger into the ink, then onto their paper, then clean hands.)* What a beautiful picture you made with your sweet little hands.

"Jesus said we want our hearts to be like the good soil where our plant grew. Jesus teaches us so many good things. When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, God's kingdom grows! **[Bottom Line] Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.**"

Supplies

Story Time		Quantity	Craft Time		Quantity
1.	Preschool Bible	1	1.	"Fingerprint Story Art" Activity Page	1
			2.	Cardstock	1
			3.	Washable inkpads in a variety of colors (several per Small Group)	Several
			4.	Baby wipes	1
			5.	Permanent marker	1

WEEK

TWO

Toddlers | W2

Today's Suggested Schedule—July 2026, Week 2

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Story Time

- Show It

Craft Time

- Crazy Daisy



Monthly Bible Story

The Story of the Farmer • Matthew 13:1-23

Bible Words

"Put God's kingdom first." • Matthew 6:33 NIV

Bottom Line

Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.

5 min

Story Time

5 min

Story Time

What You Need

-  Preschool Bible 1
-  "Story Pictures" Activity Pages copied on 1 cardstock

What You Say:

LEADER:* *"Hello, friends! I'm so happy to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's story from the Bible *(hold up the Bible) is a story that (hold up the picture of Jesus) Jesus told, about a farmer sowing his seeds. (Hold up the picture of the farmer tossing seeds.)*

"The farmer tossed his seeds; some landed on a hard path, and birds ate the seeds. (Hold up the picture of seeds on a hard path with the bird.) Other seeds landed on the rocks. (Hold up the picture of seeds in the rocks.) Those seeds grew a little, then they got too hot and shriveled up. Other seeds fell into the thorns (hold up the picture of seeds in the thorns), and when the seeds grew, so did the thorns. The thorns grew so big that the seeds didn't have space, so they couldn't grow into a big, strong plant. Then more seeds fell onto good soil. (Hold up the picture of healthy plants.) These seeds grew and grew into big, healthy plants that made more seeds.

*"Jesus said we want our hearts (hold up the heart picture) to be like the good soil. Jesus teaches us so many good things. When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, God's kingdom grows! **[Bottom Line] Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom."***

5 min

Craft Time

5 min

Craft Time

What You Need

	"Crazy Daisy" Activity Page	1
	Cardstock (one piece for every two children)	0
	Dot markers (several per child)	Several
	Green jumbo craft sticks	1
	Camera	1
	Photo paper (one piece for every six children)	0
	Glue sticks (several per Small Group)	Several
	Masking tape	1
	Baby wipes	1
	Scissors	1
	Permanent marker	1

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Crazy Daisy" on cardstock and cut, one cutout per child. Write each child's name on their cutout. Take pictures of each child, focusing on just their faces or shoulders up, print and cut out.

During the Activity: Encourage children to use the dot markers to color their flower. Rub glue in the center of each child's flower and help them add their picture. Tape each child's flower to the top of a craft stick. Clean hands as needed.

What You Say:

During the Activity: "Today we are going to make a beautiful flower that has a picture of you in it! Use the dot markers to color your flower. *(Allow time to decorate.)* These are so pretty. But I have something for us to add to make it even prettier. *(Hold up the picture of child.)* Look! It's you! I'll rub some glue right here in the middle of your flower *(pause)* so now we can put your picture there. *(Pause.)* Great job, but we need to add one more thing. The stem! *(Tape each child's picture to the top of their craft stick.)* Hooray, it's you!"

"When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, we are like these flowers growing in good soil. Beautiful and healthy. Thank You, Jesus, for teaching us so many good things. **[Bottom Line] Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.**"

Supplies

Story Time	Quantity
1. Preschool Bible	1
2. "Story Pictures" Activity Pages copied on cardstock	1

Craft Time	Quantity
1. "Crazy Daisy" Activity Page	1
2. Cardstock (one piece for every two children)	0
3. Dot markers (several per child)	Several
4. Green jumbo craft sticks	1
5. Camera	1
6. Photo paper (one piece for every six children)	0
7. Glue sticks (several per Small Group)	Several
8. Masking tape	1
9. Baby wipes	1
10. Scissors	1
11. Permanent marker	1

WEEK

THREE

Toddlers | W3

Today's Suggested Schedule—July 2026, Week 3

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Story Time

- Draw It

Craft Time

- Good Soil



Monthly Bible Story

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Bible Words

"Put God's kingdom first." • Matthew 6:33 NIV

Bottom Line

Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.

5 min

Story Time

5 min

Story Time

What You Need

 Preschool Bible	1
 Butcher paper	1
 Washable markers (several per Small Group)	Several

What You Say:

LEADER:* *"Hello, friends! I'm so happy to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's story from the Bible *(hold up the Bible) is a story that (draw a simple stick figure picture of Jesus) Jesus told, about a farmer sowing his seeds. (Draw a simple stick figure picture of a farmer tossing seeds.)*

"The farmer tossed his seeds; some landed on a hard path, and birds ate the seeds. (Draw a straight line with dots for seeds and simple birds.) Some seeds landed on the rocks. (Draw several jagged rocks and add dots for seeds.) Those seeds grew a little, but then they got too hot and shriveled up. Some seeds fell into the thorns (draw tangled green lines with pokey thorns and a few dots for seeds), and when the seeds grew, so did the thorns. Oh no, the thorns grew so big that the seeds didn't have space so they couldn't grow into a big, strong plant. Then some seeds fell onto good soil. (Draw a nice brown patch with some dots for seeds.) These seeds grew and grew (draw big green stems and add flowers and berries) into big, healthy plants that made more seeds.

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5 min

Craft Time

5 min

Craft Time

What You Need

-  "Good Soil" Activity Page
-  Cardstock
-  Brown dot markers
-  Baby wipes
-  Permanent marker

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What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Good Soil" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

During the Activity: Encourage children to fill in the soil with the brown dot markers.

What You Say:

During the Activity: "Jesus told a story about a farmer where the seeds that grew and grew were the seeds that landed on good soil. See the farmer and the beautiful, healthy plants and flowers? *(Point to their paper.)* Use the markers to color in all the good soil. *(Allow time to color.)* Amazing! *(Clean hands as needed.)*

"Jesus said we want our hearts to be like the good soil where our plant grew. Jesus teaches us so many good things. When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, God's kingdom grows! **[Bottom Line] Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom."**

Supplies

Story Time		Quantity
1.	Preschool Bible	1
2.	Butcher paper	1
3.	Washable markers (several per Small Group)	Several

Craft Time		Quantity
1.	"Good Soil" Activity Page	1
2.	Cardstock	1
3.	Brown dot markers	1
4.	Baby wipes	1
5.	Permanent marker	1

WEEK

FOUR

Toddlers | W4

Today's Suggested Schedule—July 2026, Week 4

Monthly Bible Story: The Story of the Prodigal Son • Luke 15:11-32

Bible Words: "Put God's kingdom first." • Matthew 6:33 NIV

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Story Time

- Act It

Craft Time

- Growing Seed



Monthly Bible Story

The Story of the Farmer • Matthew 13:1-23

Bible Words

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Bottom Line

Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom.

5 min

Story Time

5 min

Story Time

What You Need

	Preschool Bible	1
	Empty tissue box	1
	Brown craft paper	1
	Green crepe paper streamers	1
	Clear tape	1
	Scissors	1

What You Do:

- Wrap the tissue box in craft paper, without covering the opening.
- Place the crepe paper streamer inside the tissue box and unroll slightly.

What You Say:

LEADER: *"*Hello, friends! I'm so happy to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's story from the Bible *(hold up the Bible) is a story that Jesus told, about a farmer sowing his seeds.*

"The farmer tossed his seeds; some landed on a hard path and birds ate the seeds. Other seeds landed on the rocks. Those seeds grew a little, but then they got too hot and shriveled up. Other seeds fell into the thorns, and when the seeds grew, so did the thorns. The thorns grew so big that the seeds didn't have space so they couldn't grow into a big, strong plant. Then more seeds fell onto good soil. (Put the box in front of you.) These seeds grew (pull the crepe paper a little) and grew (pull the crepe paper a little) and grew (stand up and pull the crepe paper as tall as you are) into big, healthy plants that made more seeds.

"Jesus said we want our hearts to be like the good soil. Jesus teaches us so many good things. When we listen to Jesus and do what He says, God's kingdom grows! [Bottom Line] Jesus teaches you about God's kingdom."

5 min

Craft Time

5 min

Craft Time

What You Need

	"Growing Seed" Activity Page	1
	Cardstock (one piece for every two children)	Several
	Washable inkpads in a variety of colors (several per Small Group)	Several
	Baby wipes	1
	Scissors	1
	Permanent marker	1

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print "Growing Seed" on cardstock and cut, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

During the Activity: Encourage children to fill in the picture with their fingerprints. Clean hands as needed. Fold each child's paper and show how it starts as a seed, then it grows and grows as you unfold your paper.

What You Say:

During the Activity: "Look at this beautiful flower. It was planted in good soil and grew and grew. Let's press your finger on the brown inkpad and fill in the good soil. (*Allow time. Clean hands as needed.*) Press your finger on the yellow inkpad, then fill in the seed. (*Allow time. Clean hands as needed.*) Press your finger on the green inkpad, then fill in the leaves. (*Allow time. Clean hands as needed.*) Now pick a color to press your finger in, then fill in the flower. (*Allow time. Clean hands as needed.*) Your flowers turned out so nice! Now watch this. (*Fold each child's picture on the line, leaving the seed facing out.*) When a seed is planted in good soil (*hold up the folded paper showing the seed*), it grows and grows. (*Unfold the paper.*)

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Supplies

Story Time	Quantity
1. Preschool Bible	1
2. Empty tissue box	1
3. Brown craft paper	1
4. Green crepe paper streamers	1
5. Clear tape	1
6. Scissors	1

Craft Time	Quantity
1. "Growing Seed" Activity Page	1
2. Cardstock (one piece for every two children)	Several
3. Washable inkpads in a variety of colors (several per Small Group)	Several
4. Baby wipes	1
5. Scissors	1
6. Permanent marker	1