

LESSON

MY LIFE CAN TELL OF GOD'S WONDER

LESSON AT A GLANCE

WONDER TRUTH: God Invites Us into His Family

SCRIPTURE: Galatians 4; Romans 7

GOD'S BIG STORY: God created a good world. Most special of all, He made humans in His image, but sin kept people from living as God made them. But Jesus changes everything. Through Him, we are invited into God's family!

Object Lesson: Wax Sticks and Pipe Cleaners

Activity: Get Together

Worship: Wonder Ink Theme Song

God's Big Story

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Activity: Mirror Drawing

Wonder@Home™

Designed for families to engage in the wonder of God together at home. This resource includes a video, worship playlists, activities, and more!

Object Lesson: Wax Sticks and Pipe Cleaners

SUPPLIES: wax sticks (various colors), pipe cleaners (various colors)

Greet the kids warmly and welcome them to church.

Welcome! I'm so glad you're here today! We're going to play with wax sticks and pipe cleaners and use them to create a family! You can use your imagination.

Set out wax sticks and pipe cleaners. Encourage the kids to put them together to make a "family." They can use their imaginations—it's OK if the families don't look realistic! While they work, you can ask questions about their families, including who is part of them, what they like about them, and what things they have learned from them.

Today we're talking about families! All of our families are different. We'll learn that we are invited into God's family. Being in God's family is special!

Activity: Get Together

SUPPLIES: stuffed animals

Set out stuffed animals in the middle of the room and gather the kids around them. **We're learning that God loves us so much and invites us to be a part of His family and we are His children. When I say, "Get together!" you'll get together in a group, pick up the stuffed animals, and hug them and say, "Thank You, God!" God brings us together into His family.**

Call out, "Get together!" at various times and encourage the kids to get together, hug the stuffed animals, and say, "Thank You, God!"

It feels nice to be a part of a group and to feel loved and special! That is how God feels about you. He loves you and wants to be close to you!

Our Wonder Truth today is **GOD INVITES US INTO HIS FAMILY.**

Encourage the kids to do the following motions while you repeat the Wonder Truth. Older toddlers can say the words with you as they do the motions.

- **GOD**—*Point up.*
- **INVITES US** —*Point to everyone in the room with your hands.*
- **INTO HIS**—*Point up with both hands, palms facing upward.*
- **FAMILY**—*Make a big hugging motion with your hands, arms spread out.*

Worship: Wonder Ink Theme Song

Wonder Ink RESOURCES: "Wonder Ink Theme Song" from the [My Life Can Tell Early Childhood Spotify playlist](#)

Today we'll learn about how we can be a part of God's family and become children of God sharing His wonder! Let's sing about it. We can praise God as we declare that we are known, loved, and led, and we can share God's wonder!

Play the song "Wonder Ink Theme Song" from the [My Life Can Tell Early Childhood Spotify playlist](#) and encourage the kids to sing and dance as they praise God.

God's Big Story

SUPPLIES: Bible, stuffed animals

Wonder Ink RESOURCES: [God's Big Story Video](#)

God's big story today is about how our lives can tell of God's wonder as children of God and a part of God's family. Let's find out more!

Show the kids the God's Big Story Video, or read the story from the Bible, or use the script provided.

You can help tell the story by hugging the stuffed animals anytime I say, "family."

In the beginning, God created everything that exists. The most special was people! He created people to be in relationship with Him! But people sin—that is, do things that are wrong—and sin separates us from God.

But God sent Jesus to save us from our sins and forgive us so we can be a part of God's *family*!

Encourage the kids to hug their stuffed animals.

When we trust in Jesus, we can be a part of God's *family* (encourage the kids to hug their stuffed animals) **and be adopted as a child of God.**

We get to be forgiven from our sins and have the Holy Spirit live in us when we are a part of God's *family*. Encourage the kids to hug their stuffed animals.

When we ask God to let us become His children and part of His *family*, to be filled by the Holy Spirit and freed from sin, we live the way God created us to be. Encourage the kids to hug their stuffed animals.

As children of God, we get to be messengers to the world, pointing people to our loving Father. Through our words and actions, others can see what God is like. All of our lives can tell of God's wonder! We can know that God invites us to be a part of His *family*! Encourage the kids to hug their stuffed animals.

Prayer and Blessing

Let's pray and talk to God and thank Him for how He loves us and invites us into His family! As I pray, you can hug a stuffed animal and think about how much God loves you.

God, thank You for Your great love for us. Thank You for inviting us to be adopted into Your family and allowing us to be forgiven and live as children of God. We love You! In Jesus' name, Amen.

Encourage the kids to hold their hands out in front of them, with palms up, as if their hands were open to receive something. Tell them to listen and receive the blessing as you speak it over them.

Blessing: God knows you through and through. He loves you with a love that's deep, wide, and strong—stronger than life itself. May God help you always follow Him joyfully, today and all your days. Go with God, and let your life share His wonder with the world.

Activity: Mirror Drawing

SUPPLIES: mirrors, dry-erase markers

We've been learning we are invited into God's family and we can become children of God, showing His love to others and then they can see how wonderful God is! Because we are known by God, loved by Jesus, and led by the Holy Spirit, we become children of God whose lives can share God's wonder! Look into the mirror and you'll see your own reflection. You can be a reflection of God and His wonder! Draw a picture of yourself on the mirror as you look at the mirror and remember that God invites you into His family.

Give the kids dry-erase markers and encourage them to look at their reflections in the mirrors and draw pictures of themselves. Young kids may not be able to draw themselves but can look at themselves in the mirror.

Remember today and every day: you are a child of God, and your life can tell of God's wonder!