

Preschool Spring
Lesson 4:
God Gives Us Water

Objectives: Students will...

- 1) Recognize that God gives us water to drink and water to use for our needs and enjoyment
- 2) Do activities that remind them that God provides water just like He provided water in the Garden of Eden for Adam.
- 3) Remember that God is great because He blesses us with what we need.

Accommodations: How will I accommodate individual needs of students?

- See Lesson 1 for a complete list

Supplies: Check with coordinator to ensure supplies are ready.
All sheets and templates will be on the CD or in the Binder.

Teacher Materials (provided in classroom)

- Pens/Pencils
- Bible (please bring your own)
- Crayons/Pencil Crayons
- Attendance Sheet
- Stickers – enough for each child to have one every lesson for 13 lessons
- Ways God Gives Us Water Activity Sheet – one per child
- Ways We Use Water Naming Sheet – one per class to see
- God Gives Us Water in the Ocean Color Page – one per child

Optional Activities

- Visual Aids of Adam in the Garden of Eden – story books, pictures, etc.
- Find the Differences Water Sheet – one per child
- Balloon or Foam Football decorated with marker to look like a fish – one for class
- Permanent Marker – to decorate pretend fish
- Blue towel, blanket or tissue paper to put over basket
- Bubbles – enough for teacher and assistant to blow bubbles while children play
- Small Tub or Water Proof Bucket – one for class to share
- Water
- Towels to keep floor dry
- Items that sink or float – rock, toy boat, Styrofoam, glass bottle, pool toys, etc.
- Basket – large enough to hold items below – one for class to share
- Items of different things we use with water. Example Toothbrush, small toy boat, cup, water bottle, swimming suit, tub toys, soap, fishing pole, shampoo, pool toys, etc.
- Snack – soup or biscuits – something that requires us to add water to it to make it what it is - enough for each child to have some
- Napkins
- Cups with water
- Puppet to tell students the real events from the Bible

Lesson:

1) Introduction to lesson:

As students enter, welcome them and help find a chair to sit at. Thank them for coming. Take attendance (using attendance chart supplied). Let each child put a sticker beside their name for this week. If a new student comes, write their name and have them put a sticker on for this week. Have them all sit around the table.

Share with students, **“This month we will see that God is great and gives us many things. Let’s sing a song about what God has made for us.**

God Made Me

– Sung to Farmer in the Dell Tune

God made the sun, (Raise arms in circle overhead.)
God made the tree, (Spread arms out to indicate branches.)
God made you, (Point to another person.)
And God made me! (Point to self.)

God made the water. (Pretend to drink a glass of water.)
God made the seas. (Pretend to swim.)
God made you, and God made me. (Point to others and then yourself.)

What are some things God has made for us? Can you name some things? Let students name things: sun, moon, pets, mommies, dads, families, land and seas.

We are going to study today that God gives us water! What ways to do we use water today? Let students name different ways we use water – to drink, brush our teeth, have a bath, go fishing, swim, etc. **Today we will see that God blesses us with water to drink, play in and to help us clean up. We need to remember to thank God for all the ways He blesses us with good water to use! Just like He helped Adam and Eve have water for all the plants in the Garden of Eden.**

2) God Gives Us Water

2-5 minutes

*Optional: If you have a puppet you can use the puppet to tell the event in the Bible. And if available use a story book of Adam in the Garden of Eden while you read from the Bible.

Read **Genesis 2:5-7**

⁵ Now no shrub had yet appeared on the earth and no plant had yet sprung up, for the LORD God had not sent rain on the earth and there was no one to work the ground, ⁶ but streams came up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground. ⁷ Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

His name was Adam!

God sent streams of water to water the earth when He created the world. This helped the plants to grow and be healthy.

After God provided the plants and water what did God do? He made Adam.

Isn’t that great! God took care of Adam by making sure Adam had food and water to eat and drink before God created him. God provides us with the water we need too. God is great!

Say: **We are special to God. He loves us and wants to provide for us. He gives us water to use and drink. Let’s think of this as we do the next activity.**

3) This is the Way.....We Use Water Song and Activity

5 minutes

Let’s sing a song about all the ways we use water.

Line the students up in a row so that they can all see you and have enough space to move their hands and feet without hitting anyone beside them.

Say to the students: I am going to sing and I want you to follow along and do the actions I am doing while we sing, ok?

This is the Way (sung to the Mulberry Bush song)

**This is the way we take a bath, take a bath, take a bath (pretend to take a bath)
This is the way we take a bath so early in the morning.**

**This is the way we brush our teeth, brush our teeth, brush our teeth. (pretend to brush teeth)
This is the way we brush our teeth so early in the morning.**

**This is the way we drink our water, drink our water, drink our water (pretend to drink water)
This is the way we drink our water so early in the morning.**

**This is the way we wash our hands, wash our hands, wash our hands. (pretend to wash hands)
This is the way we wash our hands so early in the morning.**

**This is the way we swim in the pool, swim in the pool, swim in the pool. (pretend to swim)
This is the way we swim in the pool so early in the morning.**

**This is the way we water the flowers, water the flowers, water the flowers. (pretend to water flowers)
This is the way we water the flowers so early in the morning.**

**Thank You God for giving us water, giving us water, giving us water. (pretend to fold hands and thank God in prayer)
Thank You God for giving us water; each and every day.**

4) Ways God Gives Us Water Activity Sheet

5 minutes

Hand out one "God gives us water" activity sheet to each child.

Read the directions at the bottom of the activity sheet and have the students follow along with their fingers on the path. Have them list all the different ways God gives us water as they follow the path.

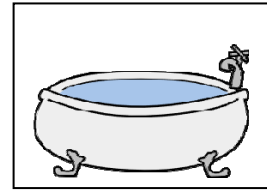
When finished, thank them for listening and move on to then next activity.



5) Ways We Use Water Activity Sheet

5 minutes

Show students the picture of Ways We Use Water. Point to a picture and ask the students to raise their hands and tell you how that picture represents a way we use water. Ex: Toothbrush – we brush our teeth.



Go through all the pictures as a class, thank the students for helping you find all the ways we use water and then move on to the next activity.

6) Optional: Bubbles, Bubbles Everywhere Game

5 minutes

Ask all the students to lay on the floor as if they were swimming, they can “swim” on their backs or their tummies. While they are pretending to swim, take a bubble blower and blow bubbles over the students so they can see them fall on them while they pretend to swim. Remind them by saying, **“Isn’t it nice God gives us water? We can have fun swimming in the water and playing with bubbles thanks to God giving us water!”** When finished have the children sit back at the table and move onto the next activity.

7) God Gives Us Water in the Ocean Color Page

10 minutes

Hand out one sheet with crayons to each child and allow them to color the page.

Ask the students,

What is this a picture of? A lot of fish.

Who made the fish? God.

Who made the water? God.

How many fish do you see? Let students count the fish and answer.

God blesses us and gives us and all the animals of the world water to drink and to live in and to use.

We need to remember to thank God for our water. And thank

Him for all the animals that live in the rivers, oceans, seas and lakes!

Has anyone ever caught a fish?

What did your fish look like?

Where do fish live? In the water!

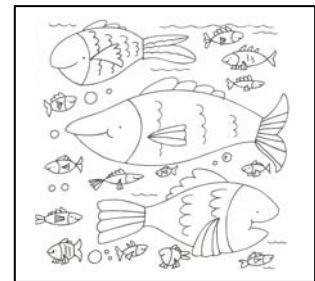
Can fish live without water? No!

God is great to provide fish with the water they need to live in.

Can we live without water? No!

God gives us water to drink, to take baths in and to swim in – God is great!

Help students to write their name on the page and help tidy up before moving on to the next activity.



8) Optional: Sink or Float Water Activity

5-10 minutes

Before class gather items that will sink or float along with some water and a waterproof bucket or tub that you can place on the floor. Have towels handy for spills.

Ask the class what the item is you are holding and have them guess if it will sink or float.

Have a student gently place the item in the tub of water and then see if it does sink or float.

Have students repeat this activity for each item you have collected.

9) Optional: Find How We Use Water Game

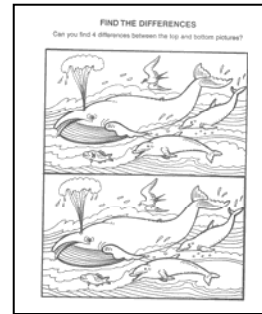
5-10 minutes

Using the basket from the other activities, fill the basket with items you gathered before class that show all the ways we use water. Examples: toothbrush, small toy boat, cup, water bottle, swimming suit, tub toys, soap, fishing pole, shampoo, pool toys, etc. Let each child put their hand in the basket and without looking pick an item out of the basket. Let them name the item and tell you how we use it with water. Example: Toothbrush – to brush our teeth and keep them clean. Let each child take a turn reaching in and picking and naming an item we use with water. Thank them when done and then move on to the next activity.

10) Optional: Find the Differences Water Sheet

5-10 minutes

Hand out one sheet with crayons to each child. Have the children look at both pictures. Ask them: **What do you see?** A whale and some smaller fish. **Good. I want you to look at the top picture and the bottom picture. They look the same, but there are some small differences between them. Can you find the differences between the pictures?** Help students find the differences. Remind them that **God gives us and the animals of the world water to drink and use and for fish and some mammals – they even live in the water God made. God is great for giving us all water to use!**



11) Optional: Take the Fish to the Sea Game

5 minutes

Set up a basket with a blue towel, blanket, tissue paper or something blue put over top so it looks like a lake or sea. Have students line up in a row behind each other and hand the first child a balloon or foam football that you previously decorated as a fish using a marker. Let the child try and help the fish by gently tossing the fish into the lake or sea. Once they toss the fish in the sea – say **Good job!** And then have them get the fish and hand it to the next child in line. Let them continue playing and tossing the fish in the sea until they have all had a turn. If time, let them all take another turn.

12) Sing

Choose songs from the Songs section of the binder

13) Optional – Snack Soup or Biscuits

5 minutes

“You’ve all done a great job this morning learning that God is great and learning that God helps us by giving us water. He made everything good in the world and wants us to be safe and happy. To help us remember, we are going to have a snack that couldn’t be made without having added water to the recipe.” Hand out snack to each child with a glass of water. Say to them, **“this snack was made using water as one of the ingredients. God helps us in many ways and one of the ways is by giving us water to use to make our food and to help us have something safe to drink.** Remind them that **these snacks are part of God’s wonderful creation for us to enjoy and they are good, because God is great and blesses us! God is great for giving us snacks, and giving us good homes to live in, and giving us good food and for giving us water!** After snack have kids clean up. Then move on to the remaining activities.

14) Close in prayer

Thank God that He created the world and that as we learned today, God is great because He gives us water for our enjoyment, and nourishment. Thank you God for our families too. Thank God as well that we can know that we are safe and in good hands because God the Creator is in control and He knows what is best for us today. Thank you God for your Son Jesus who loves us too and thank you God for everyone here today and those who could not be here because they were sick or away. We pray you will bring us all back to Sunday school next week safely. We pray that everyone will have a good and safe week and that we will always remember that all good things – like water – come from God! In Jesus name, Amen.

15) Remind students

To take home any sheets or crafts. Thank them for coming and ask them to help clean up before they leave.

16) Greet Parents at door

Ensure all students go to parents or if some students remain kindly ask them to go to their parents if old enough.

Thank you for serving Christ in this way!