

*Preschool Fall*  
*Lesson 3:*  
*The Bible Teaches that We Need to Worship*

**Objectives:** Students will...

- 1) Understand that God wants us to worship Him on Sundays at church services
- 2) Learn the ways we worship God at church services – listen, give, sing, and pray - by doing activities

**Accommodations:** How will I accommodate individual needs of students?

- See Lesson 1 for Ideas

**Supplies:** Check with coordinator to ensure supplies are ready.

**Teacher Materials (provided in classroom)**

- Pens/Pencils
- Bible (please bring your own)
- Crayons/Pencil Crayons
- Attendance Sheets – Parking Lot from previous class – one per student
- Cars for attendance – make sure each child has 5 cars
- Tape to share
- The Bible Teaches Us to Worship Book – printed and cut before class – one for class to share  
\*Keep as you will use this in the coming weeks as well
- Turtle Template – printed on white construction or cardstock paper – 2 turtles on a page – 1 turtle per student

**Depending on time choose some optional activities to do and gather supplies**

- The Bible Teaches Us to Worship Color Page – one per student
- We Will Obey Activity Game Templates – one set for class
- Tape to put up Activity Game Templates
- Green construction pieces or tissue paper – enough for class to share if wanting to decorate turtle
- Dolls of family members – enough for each child to get some to play with
- Bibles – one per child (either make paper Bibles using Bible Book Cover Template from lesson 2, or gather real Bibles enough for each child to look through one. Keep for each week as you will do this activity often)
- Soft Ball – one for class to share
- Snack – Coin shaped snack such as round cookie or orange slices – enough so each child gets some along with a napkin and a glass of water

**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 charts from previous class). Let each child put a car in their attendance parking lot for this week, if a new child arrives put their name on a chart for them. Have them pick out a car and tape it to their chart. Have them sit on the floor (on mats if available) close together. Tell them, **“Today we are going to learn what the Bible teaches about worshipping God! Worship means to give honor, praise and obedience to God because we love Him and because He deserves it.**

**Today we are going to talk about God and how much He loves us and watches over us and expects us to obey Him. We need to obey His Word – the Bible! And part of that is to know how to worship or honor God the way He wants. (Hold up a Bible.) The Bible will show us how!**

**Let's sing some songs to get us started!**

**Here's Why God is Great**

God is great. He made the sun.

(Point up; form circle with arms above head.)

God is great. He made the sea.

(Use arms to make waves.)

God is great. He made the stars.

(Hold up hands and wiggle fingers.)

God is great. He made each tree.

(Extend arms like tree branches and sway.)

God is great. He made you and me.

(Point to others. Point to self.)

**God is Happy**

Tune: Are You Sleeping?

God is happy. God is happy.

When we do right.

When we do right.

God is very happy.

God is very happy.

When we do right.

When we do right.

Repeat tune instead of "when we do right" fill in with different lines:

When we learn what's right

When we pray

When we worship Him

When we sing

When we give

When we obey

Hand out one Bible to each child (if needed, use the "Bibles" that you pre-cut and put together from last week). Say to students. **Last time we learned that the Bible is VERY special. Do you know why? Because it is God's! God made the Bible for us and the Bible has all of God's Words in it for us to obey. Isn't that wonderful? God made the Bible for each and every one of us! God loves us very much and wanted each one of us to have a Bible to read, to use and to study His wonderful words. God loves us and expects us to obey Him. Today we are going to learn that the Bible teaches that we need to worship God.**

**Let's all say "Thank you God for our Bibles!"** Have students say it together. **Good job! We will spend more time talking about the Bible and how special it is, but for now, let's put our Bibles down and sit quietly while I read a book on ways we worship God.**

**2) The Bible Teaches Us to Worship Book**

**5-10 minutes**

Before class print the book pages and cut down the middle of each page. Staple or tape the book together so that you can read it to the class.

Have the students listen while you read the book you previously made. Point to each picture and read the words slowly and carefully.

Explain to the children, **"The Bible is very special. It is God's Word. The Bible tells us we need to obey God because He loves us, watches over us and sees everything we do. The Bible tells us to listen and read the words inside. You are following the Bible when you read and obey what it says! And we just learned that we obey God when we worship him by going to church services on**



**Sunday and by singing, praying, listening and giving! Now it is time to obey me and go sit at the table so we can do a craft to remind us to listen and be quiet when we go to church services.**

**3) I Will Listen and Be Quiet Turtle Craft**

**10-15 minutes**

Before class print turtles on light colored construction or cardstock paper. There are two turtles on a page and each child needs one turtle. Once they are printed, cut them out including leaving the tabs attached.

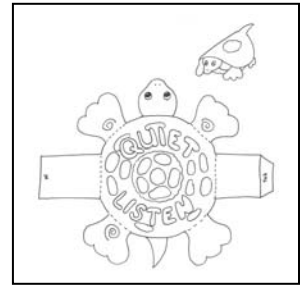
During class say, **“We learned today that we need to go to church services, listen, pray, give and sing.**

**Do you like it when a place is too noisy and you cannot hear? No.**

**Do you like it when other kids cry or are noisy? No.**

**So we need to remember that we should be quiet and listen at church**

**services. We should not talk, play, run, or yell but sit quietly with our parents and sing when others sing, give when everyone gives, pray when everyone prays and listen when others are listening to the Words in the Bible. That makes God, our parents, others and you all happy! So we need to remember that we should be quiet and listen. Let’s practice being quiet and listening while we pray to God.**



Ask students to fold their hands and bow their heads and be quiet and listen while you pray:

**Dear God thank you for the Bible. Thank you for giving us a church family. We pray that we will remember and learn to be quiet and listen during church services so everyone can hear and be part of our worship to You God. Thank you for Your Son. In Jesus’ name, amen.**

Praise those who were quiet and listened and say, **just like a turtle is quiet and listens – we should be quiet and listen to during church services. To help us remember to be quiet and listen we will make a turtle – a special turtle for each one of us! Wow!**

**Let’s get started by choosing some colors and coloring our turtles.** (Provide crayons and help children color their turtles, write their names on the left tab of the turtle)

**Optional:** Allow students using glue or tape to put pieces of green tissue paper or construction paper in the middle of the turtle where his circle is.

When students all have their names on their turtles and have finished decorating them, go around the room with a piece of tape for each student and help them tape their turtle together (See picture above) so that the turtle has a “turtle” shape. Talk about how wonderful and creative their turtles are and remind them that: **“just like turtles are quiet and listen – we need to be quiet and listen when we are in church services, because that is when we worship God and it makes Him happy when we worship God by singing, praying, giving and listening!**

Ask students to help clean up before moving on to the next optional activities if there is time.

**Now that we are done, let’s all help clean up by putting our crayons away!** Thank those students who choose to help and praise them for helping to encourage other students to want to help as well.

**Clean Up Song**  
Clean up, clean up  
Everybody everywhere!  
Clean up, clean up  
Everybody do your share!  
Repeat

**I Love to Hear the Bible**  
Tune: Did You Ever See a Lassie

Oh, I love to hear the Bible,  
the Bible, the Bible.  
Oh, I love to hear the Bible,  
for I know it's true.  
And in God's Word the Bible,  
the Bible, the Bible  
And in God's Word the Bible  
I learn what to do!

**Go to your Bible and read Psalm 100:2**  
Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.

#### 4) Action Rhyme and Songs

5 minutes

Let's do some action rhymes about the Bible!

##### **Action Rhyme - Here is the Bible**

Here is the Bible (hold hands out with palms  
together like a book)  
Let's open it wide (hold hands like an open book)  
God speaks to us (point upward)  
On the pages inside (hold hands like an open  
book)

##### **Action Play - The Bible Says**

The Bible says, "Pray" I will obey.  
(Fold hands and bow head)  
The Bible says, "Listen" I will obey.  
(Cup hand to ear)  
The Bible says, "Give" I will obey.  
(Pretend to drop money in basket)  
The Bible says, "Go to church" I will obey.  
(Walk fingers along arm or step feet up and  
down)  
The Bible says, "Sing" I will obey.  
(Start to sing another song - like I Love to Hear  
the Bible)

**I Love to Hear the Bible**  
Tune: Did You Ever See a Lassie

Oh, I love to hear the Bible,  
the Bible, the Bible.  
Oh, I love to hear the Bible,  
for I know it's true.  
And in God's Word the Bible,  
the Bible, the Bible  
And in God's Word the Bible  
I learn what to do!

Say, "God speaks to me through the Bible. He tells me to go to church services on Sunday. I want to do what God says. So, I obey! I do not go on Saturday, I do not go on Monday, because God tells me to go worship Him on Sunday. I obey God and that makes God happy and me happy too!"

**Did you obey God by coming to church services on Sunday today? Yes you did! Good job - that makes God happy when we obey His Bible!**

**Are you going to sing when everyone sings? Good job - that makes God happy when we obey His Bible and worship Him.**

Are you going to listen when everyone listens? Good job – that makes God happy when we obey His Bible and worship Him.

Are you going to give when everyone gives? Good job – that makes God happy when we obey His Bible and worship Him.

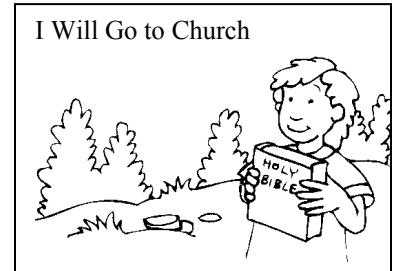
Are you going to pray when everyone prays? Good job – that makes God happy when we obey His Bible and worship Him!

### 5) Optional: The Bible Teaches Us To Worship Color Page

10 minutes

To help us remember today that God wants us to obey and worship Him, we are all going to color a sheet. On the sheet are different pictures. Can you tell me what you see in each picture? (Hand out sheets with crayons)  
Is this a way we worship God?

Help students identify what is going on in the picture and read the instructions and words aloud so all children can follow along. If time let them color the pictures as you talk about how each picture shows a way to worship God!

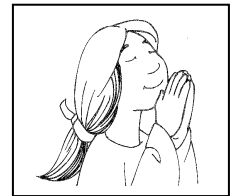


### 6) Optional Activity: We Will Obey Activity Game

5-10 minutes

Cut out the three ways to worship God activity game templates from the C.D or binder and with tape, tape them in an open area on three different walls. Make sure the area is safe for students to run in.

If you are doing this activity outside on a sidewalk you can use sidewalk chalk and draw a child giving, praying and singing instead in different areas of the sidewalk.



Gather children around and tell them that one at a time they are going to take turns, when you call the child by name – you will then say either “Give” “Pray” or “Sing” Point to each picture so they know what picture means what word you are saying.

That child will then run to the picture of the word you said. If they run to the right spot praise them, if not, show them the right place to go. Have them return to the end of the line so the next child can go. Let each child take a turn and then if time and if they are having fun – play the game again. If they are able ask them to say as they run – **I will obey the Bible!**

### 7) Optional: Dolls and Bibles – We Can Pretend to Worship

10 minutes

Pass around dolls and Bibles and/or other things that will help children remember what they learned - that the Bible is God’s Word and they need to obey it by worshipping God.

Say, “**The Bible is from God. As we pretend with these Bibles and dolls let’s remember that God gave us the Bible and in the Bible it says we need to worship Him and obey Him. That is why we are all here today at services - to worship God! Let’s share our dolls and Bibles and pretend that our dolls are going to church services to read the Bible and obey and learn about God. Let’s practice all the things we do on Sunday using our dolls.** (Pretend they go to Sunday school class.

Pretend they go to worship and sit, pray, read their Bibles, give and listen.) Talk about how happy God is when we read from His Word the Bible and obey His Word. Talk about how happy our family is when we come to Sunday school and sit, listen and obey the teacher and read from the Bible. Ask students what things they remember people doing every Sunday when they are at church services.

Then while they play, open your Bible and turn to **2 Timothy 3:16** ask students to look and listen while you read from the Bible this paraphrased version: **All the Words in the Bible are from God.**

Then say to students, **“The Bible is God’s Word!”**

**Do the following rhyme with your Bible:**

**Best Book of All – Rhyme**  
Books, books, big and small;  
What’s the very best book of all?  
THE BIBLE!

(Repeat several times and hold up the Bible each time)

Let students play with the dolls and books and then clean up.

**8) Optional: Roll the Ball Game**

**5 minutes**

Tell the students, **“Let’s all sit on the floor in a circle. While we are in the circle we are going to pass the ball to one another, as you pass the ball gently to a person, I want you to say, “I Will Obey” You can only pass the ball to someone who hasn’t had a turn yet, if someone catches the ball that already had a turn, you must give it to someone who hasn’t so we call get a chance to play, ok? ”**

If students are enjoying this activity you can continue with other phrases:

**I will pray!**

**I will listen!**

**I will give!**

**I will sing!**

Make sure each child gets a turn before doing another round. Praise students who can recite the words.

**9) Optional: Snack – Coin shaped snack (Round cookie or orange slice) 5-10 minutes**

**“You’ve all done a great job this morning learning about God’s Word – the Bible and that we need to worship God by singing, giving, listening and praying. To help us remember, we are going to have a snack in the shape of a coin. What do we give to God on Sundays? We give money to help those in need and to help the church family. When we give, it makes God happy.”** Hand out a coin-shaped snack to each child, along with a glass of milk or water to each child. Explain, **“The snack today looks like a coin – today we learned that the Bible is God’s special book that He made for each and every one of us. And, we are to obey the Bible. That includes giving! Let’s think about how we can give, listen, pray, and sing today in worship while we eat our snacks! Enjoy!”**

Talk about how we obey the Bible – by going to church services on Sunday, listening to our moms and dads, praying, giving, singing, listening, reading the Bible. After snack have kids clean up. Then move on to the remaining activities.

**10) Sing**

**5-10 minutes**

Have children sing songs with you, you can sing from the Fall Quarter Songs provided or choose from the songs below:

**God Loves .....**

God loves \_\_\_\_\_, Yes He does!

God loves \_\_\_\_\_, Yes He does!

God loves \_\_\_\_\_, just this way

And He loves (him/her) everyday!

\*Fill in name of each child in the room one at a time.

**The Bible is God’s Book**

Tune: Farmer in the Dell

The Bible is God’s Book,  
His words are there, you see.  
It is the way He talks to you,  
The way He talks to me.

### **11) Close in prayer**

Tell students that **we are going to pray, to pray we need to put down everything and fold our hands and bow our heads like this** (show students). **This way we can hear and listen to the prayer and when we sit quietly and focus on God – it makes God happy! We learn this in God’s Word the Bible and we need to obey God.**

First: Ask if there are prayer requests that kids want to share. Make a list. Then give the list to the assistant or read yourself.

Second: Remind students to fold hands and bow heads then: Thank God that He created the world and gave us the Bible. Thank you God that we can know what God wants us to do by reading His special Words – the Bible. Help us to remember to make God happy by coming to worship Him every Sunday – to sing, give, listen and pray. Thank God for everyone here today and for those that couldn’t be. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

### **12) Remind students**

To take home their creations. Thank them for coming and ask them to help clean up before they leave.

### **13) Greet Parents at door**

Ensure all students go to parents or if some students remain have teacher assistant help you take them to their parents.

**\*For any student who did not receive a Parent “Take Home Chart” last week, make sure you hand one out to them this week.**

Thank you for serving Christ in this way!