

A Seed of Faith – preschool
Luke 17:5-10
October 2, 2022

Opening Circle Time

Stand everyone stand together in a circle.

Say: I am glad to see you here! We will have lots of fun together today. Let's start with a song! (Sing to the tune of, "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

We are welcome here,
God's children everyone!
Let's play and sing and
Have some fun, and
Learn what God has done – Yeah!

Let's pretend! I will name something very big. You pretend to be whatever I name. (*Name things like an elephant, a house, a tall tree and a football field, encouraging kids to make their bodies look like the object you name*). Now I am going to name some small things. Pretend to be whatever I name. (*Name small things such as a mouse, cricket, seed and safety pin, inviting kids to pretend to be the objects you name*).

Say: The Bible story we will hear today is about big things and small things, seeds and trees, and trusting God.

Opening Prayer

Say: Let's pray a sound prayer together, thanking God for big things and little things. Whatever you hear me thank God for, make the sound that it makes. Let's pray:

**Dear God,
Thank you for elephants and mice,
Big trucks and toy cars.
Thank you for giant trees and small puppies.
Thank you for everything!
Amen.**

Open the Bible **– A Seed of Faith**

Show kids mustard seeds, and let them touch them.

Say: These are mustard seeds. They aren't very big, are they. Mustard seeds grow into mustard bushes, as big as trees! Now, imagine – or look out the window and see – a very big tree. The mustard seeds and the trees are very different in size. One is very small, and one is very big!

[Watch Pursue God Kids](#) video about the Faith of a Mustard Seed.

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Ask: What did Jesus tell his friends about mustard seeds and trees? (*If they had faith as big as a mustard seed, they could make a tree move into the sea.*) Jesus meant that if people trust God even just a little bit, with God, they can do big things!

Say: God helps us do small things and big things. What kind of things does God help you do? *Give kids time to answer.* Does God help you move your body? Does God help you think? Does God help you play with your friends? God helps us do all kinds of things!

What are some things God helps you to do that are kind of hard? *Give kids time to answer and respect all their responses.* Doing things that are hard can feel like big things! Have you ever tried to ride a bike or catch a ball? Those can be hard things to learn, but God helps us learn to do them. Have you ever been nice to someone who was mean to you? That is a really bit thing God helps you do!

Activate Faith



Seed Tree – Craft

Supplies: tree template, colored pencils, seeds and glue.

Directions:

Color the template page. Add glue spots onto the branches. Stick on seeds to make the leaves and allow to dry.

Say: In our story, Jesus wanted to remind us that a little faith is enough for God.

As kids work, talk about big things they can do. **Say:** Some things we can do pretty easily, once we learn how! Is walking a big thing? No, it doesn't seem like a big thing now. But when you were a baby, you couldn't walk. When you learned to walk, that was a big thing. Is riding a bike a big thing? That's tough to learn, isn't it? What can you do that you think is not such a big thing? What can do you that you think is a big thing? How does God help you do both big and little things?

Other lesson activities if time.

I Can Do It!

Supplies: leaflet and stickers (or crayons/markers if you don't have stickers)

Ask: What body parts do you see pictures? (*Hands, feet, eyes, head*) What are some things God helps you do with each of those body parts? (*If you have stickers, distribute them now and have the kids match the sticker to the appropriate body part. If not, have kids draw or look through a magazine to find a picture of someone using that body part (i.e., looking at a book, running, drawing, thinking, etc.).*)