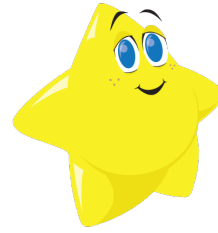


Small Group Leader Guide



Week 1

Age 4
The Beloved
Son

Question

What's special about me?

Answer

I am who Jesus says I am.

Bible Verse

John 10:14 NLT

"I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep ..."

What To Do First

Review

1. **Introduce** yourself.
2. **Say** the **Question**, **Answer**, and **Verse** together.

Read

1. **Lay** Story Cards in order.
2. **Point** to the first card.
3. **Read** the caption.
4. **Ask** the **Question**. *Kids answer.*
5. **Do Action** together.
6. **Repeat** steps 2-5 for Story Cards 2-5.

Remember

What Do You See?

1. **Show** Story Card 1.
2. **Ask**, "What do you see in this picture?" *Group answers.*
3. **Repeat** steps 1-2 for Story Cards 2-5.

Review Questions & Actions

Story Card 1

Question

What did John tell people to do? *Change, turn from bad things, be baptized.*

Action

Turn around to show you're ready for Jesus!

Story Card 2

Question

Did John think he was the promised one? *No!*

Action

Wag your finger and say, "No!" like John did.

Story Card 3

Question

Who came to be baptized? *Jesus*

Action

Hold up a number one and say, "Jesus is the One!"

Story Card 4

Question

Who wanted to be baptized by John? *Jesus*

Action

Pinch your nose and pretend to go under the water.

Story Card 5

Question

Whose Spirit landed on Jesus? *God's Spirit*

Action

Give a thumbs up because God said good things about Jesus!

How To Wrap Up

Talk

God said good things about Jesus. What do you want to say about Jesus?

Pray

Ask kids what they want to talk to God about, and pray with them.

Check Out Time

Begin When Parents Arrive

1. **Combine** your Small Groups if you need to free up a leader.
2. One leader **stands** at the door to **greet** parents and **run** check out.
3. When a kid leaves, **tell** the parents something positive about their kid.
4. **Keep kids busy in small groups:**
 - Repeat Story Card activities.
 - Let kids share what's on their minds.
 - Pray together to build closer relationships.



That's Jesus!

