



Use Week of:

## Unit 24 • Session 4

# Jesus Showed His Glory

**BIBLE PASSAGE:** Matthew 17; Mark 9;  
Luke 9

**STORY POINT:** Jesus showed He is  
God's Son.

**KEY PASSAGE:** Psalm 40:5

**CHRIST CONNECTION:** One day, Jesus  
will come again in His glory.

### Bible Story for Toddlers

One day, Jesus went onto a mountain with Peter, James, and John. Suddenly, Jesus changed right in front of them! Jesus' face shone like the sun, and His clothes were bright and shining. Moses and Elijah appeared, and they spoke with Jesus. Peter said, "Jesus, it is good we are here! I will make a tent for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah!" While Peter was talking, a loud voice from heaven said, "This is My beloved Son. Listen to Him!" The disciples were afraid. Jesus said, "Do not be afraid." When they looked up, only Jesus was standing with them.

### Babies Gospel Gems

- \* Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John.
- \* God said Jesus is His beloved Son.
- \* One day, everyone who loves Jesus will see His glory.

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# BABIES Activities

## Look in the Bible

Provide hand-size Bibles for babies. Open your Bible to Matthew 17. Show the Bible story picture as you say the gospel gems. Read the key passage card.

**SAY** • Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John. God said Jesus is His beloved Son. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.** One day, Jesus will come again in His glory. [*Pray for the babies.*]

## Sing a hymn

Sing the first verse of “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus.” If you are unfamiliar with the song, listen to it online before the session. Consider holding and pointing to the Bible or Bible story picture as you sing.

**SAY** • Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.** One day, everyone who loves Jesus will see His glory.

## Make Jesus art

Use painter's tape to make a *J* for *Jesus* on heavyweight paper. Place the paper in a ziplock bag with a few squirts of glow paint. Seal the bag with duct tape. Encourage babies to squeeze the bag to distribute the paint. Remove the paper from the bag and set aside to dry. When dry, remove the tape. Write the story point using a glow pen. Dim the lights to see the art. Talk about the Bible story.

**SAY** • Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John. His face shone and His clothes were bright. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.** One day, Jesus will come again in His glory.

## Sit in a tent

Drape a blanket over three sides of a table. Place storybook Bibles in the tent. Invite babies to sit in the tent and look at the books. Talk about the Bible story.

**SAY** • **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.** Peter wanted to make a tent for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah. God said Jesus is His beloved Son, and people should listen to Him!

Check diapers, serve bottles if needed, and release babies to parents according to your church's security guidelines. Give parents today's big picture card. Repeat the gospel gems and Bible-learning activities for babies who stay a second hour.

# TODDLER Activities

## Circle time (5 minutes)

Provide small Bibles for toddlers to handle. Read the key passage card and guide toddlers to say it. Open your Bible to Matthew 17. Show the Bible story picture as you tell the Bible story. Say the story point and gospel gems. Pray.

## Make a suncatcher

Tape a circle of clear contact plastic sticky side out on the table for each toddler. Provide colorful tissue paper for toddlers to stick to the plastic. Seal with another piece of contact plastic and trim the excess. Write the story point on the suncatcher. Hole punch the top and thread ribbon through it. Tell the Bible story.

**SAY** • Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John. Jesus' face changed and His clothes were bright. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.**

## Roll a glow ball

Dim the lights. Guide toddlers to sit in a circle. Encourage toddlers to roll to one another a ball that glows or lights up. Tell the Bible story as they play.

**SAY** • Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John. Jesus' face and His clothes were bright. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.** One day, Jesus will come again in His glory.

## Review the Bible stories

Tape this unit's Bible story pictures to the wall at toddler height. Dim the lights. Shine a flashlight at a Bible story picture. Guide toddlers to take turns running to touch the picture and returning to their spot. Review that story and play again.

**SAY** • We learned many stories about Jesus. In these stories, **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.** In today's Bible story, God said Jesus is His beloved Son.

## Go on a nature hike

Tape a mountain cut from gray paper to the wall. Place artificial pine trees in front of the mountain. Guide toddlers to hike with you around the room. When you reach the mountain, tell the Bible story.

**SAY** • **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON** on the mountain. One day, Jesus will come again in His glory.

# BONUS Teaching Hour

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## Transition activity: Make a block mountain

Encourage toddlers to make a mountain with blocks. Demonstrate how to make the base of the mountain wider than the top. Fold three index cards to make "tents." Put them on the mountain, and then remove them as you tell the Bible story.

**SAY** • Jesus and His friends were on a mountain. Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John. They even saw Jesus talk to Moses and Elijah! Peter wanted to build three tents on the mountain. God said Jesus is His beloved Son, and people should listen to Him. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.**

## Sing songs about Jesus' glory

Play music or sing familiar songs about Jesus, such as "Jesus Loves Me," "Crown Him with Many Crowns," and "Soon and Very Soon." Encourage toddlers to move to the music. Talk about the Bible story.

**SAY** • Jesus showed His glory to Peter, James, and John. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.** One day, everyone who loves Jesus will see His glory!

## Play "Simon Says"

Explain that you will give commands and toddlers should obey them if you say "Simon says." For younger toddlers, Simon should give every command. Talk about the Bible story.

**SAY** • God said Jesus is His beloved Son, and people should listen to Him. **JESUS SHOWED HE IS GOD'S SON.**

Check diapers, serve a snack if needed, and release toddlers to parents according to your church's security procedures. Give parents today's big picture card to reinforce today's Bible story, Christ connection, story point, or gospel gems throughout the week.