


TIME FOR CHILDREN
Sunday 5th July 2020

 Play and wonder about Jesus revealing God to us.

GATHERING PRAYERS

God loves me From the top of my head
(Touch head)
To the tips of my toes;
(Touch toes)
From the lobes of my ears
(Touch ear lobes)
To the end of my nose;
(Touch nose)
From my back, to my front
(Turn round)
To my wiggly fingers,
(stretch out arms and wiggle fingers)
God loves me!
(jump up and down)
This would also work virtually.
All: Thanks be to God!

STORYTELLING

Prepare a pass the parcel. In the centre, place a picture of lots of people, in the next layer the word 'Father', then 'Son', then 'everything', then a smiley face, then a play person. Tell the story, passing the parcel round the circle, opening a wrapper at each * in the story.

Jesus said, 'Thank you, God, that you have hidden all things from the wise people but have shown them to the ordinary people.*
This makes you happy.*
You have given me all things.*
Only God the Father really knows his Son, Jesus.*
Only Jesus the Son really knows God the Father.*
But the Son will tell other people so they can know God too.'*

PRAISE

[He's Jesus](#), Vineyard worship

[Who you say I am](#), Hillsong worship
on *There is more*

[God only knows](#) (Timbaland remix), For
king & country on *God only knows*

[Written in the skies](#), Luke & Anna
Hellebronth on *Motions of mercy*

PLAY

Fill a large tray with sand and hide letters spelling out 'God' and 'Jesus'. Provide toy spades and encourage the children to dig, find the letters then help them spell out the words.

CREATE

Give everyone pieces of card. Write 'God' in bubble letters on one and 'Jesus' on the other. Encourage the children to colour and decorate both words. Place the 'Jesus' card on top of 'God' and tape together along the top edge.

Crouch down on the floor together. Encourage the children to grow tall and jump up high, as you shout out: 'Jesus, you will show us God.'
This could also be done virtually.

COLOURING SHEETS

A SENDING OUT PRAYER

Young children love repetition. Using the same prayer to end your session each time you meet will create a sense of familiarity and expectation.

God bless you,
(Point to others)

and God bless me.

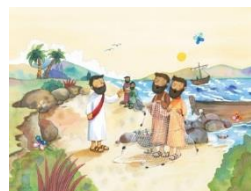
(Point to self)

Amen. (Wave arms)

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Children and parents: In the name of Christ, Amen.

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