

# PRESCHOOL ACTIVITY GUIDE

**TODAY'S STORY:** The Church Grows

**TEACHING TRUTH:** The church is God's people

## ACTIVITY 1: STORY REVIEW – The Church

**SUPPLIES:** Construction paper, envelope, popsicle sticks, markers, glue

- 1) Grab a piece of construction paper and an envelope. At the top of the construction paper write this week's Teaching Truth: **The church is God's people.**
- 2) Open the envelope so the flap is up. Help your kid glue the envelope to the colored paper with the open side facing out and the flap up. This is going to represent a church building.
- 3) Help your kid draw a door on the bottom half of the envelope and a cross at the top of the open flap.
- 4) Then, using a marker, help him draw faces on the top of each of their popsicle sticks.
- 5) Once the popsicle sticks are done, glue them inside the envelope so the faces can still be seen.
- 6) Remind your kid that the building is not the church. **The church is God's people.**

## ACTIVITY 2: TEACHING TRUTH REVIEW – The church is God's people

**SUPPLIES:** Construction paper, markers or crayons, scissors

- 1) Help your kid draw a picture of a house on one sheet of paper, and a church building on the another.
- 2) Pointing to the picture of the house, ask who is in your family. For example: mom, dad, brother, sister, baby, grandma, dog, cat, etc. As you talk through each member of their family, have your kid draw your family inside or near the house.
- 3) Pointing to the picture of the church building, ask who is in their church. For example: mom, dad, brother, sister, teacher, friends, pastor, etc. As you talk through each person, have your kid draw the people they listed inside or near the church.
- 4) After you have talked through each picture, use scissors to cut around the people in the house and in the church. You can throw away the outline of the house and church. Ask the questions below:
  - **What is missing from this family?** The house.
  - **Is a family still a family even if there is no house?** Yes.
  - **If your family goes to the park, are you still a family?** Yes.
  - **If your family goes on vacation, are you still a family?** Yes.
  - **What is missing from the church?** The building.
  - **If the church decides to meet at a school instead of a church building, are they still the church?** Yes.
  - **If the church decides to meet at a park, are they still the church?** Yes.
  - **The church is not a building or a place we go. The church is God's people.**