



Infants and Toddlers Bible Class

Bible Time

(5 minutes)

At the table at the beginning of the Bible Lesson

During *Bible Time* children learn respect for Scripture and connect to God personally through it. Each week, upon arriving at the table, the first five minutes are spent in routines like:

- Patting the bible
- Finding Jesus picture (sticker) in bible.
- Turning to a page and “reading” - God loves insert child’s name.
- Singing B-I-B-L-E

Normal Class Routine

(45 minutes)

Welcome Time

(15 minutes)

*On the mat
in the soft corner*

Bible Lesson

(20 minutes)

At the table

- Bible Time (5 minutes)
- A simple thought or lesson from God’s Word (10 minutes)
- Craft (optional)
- Prayer and Snack (5 minutes)

Closing

(10 minutes)

*On the mat
in the soft corner*





Bible Time Songs

These songs can be sung during the Bible Time when the children first gather at the table. Infants and Toddlers feel secure and safe when the same or very similar routines are used to begin the table time.

Note: Infants and toddlers enjoy the rhythm and melody of song but they are not critics of the teacher's abilities! It's fine if you sing the same tune every time, make up your own tune or even just say the words in a poetic or fun way. Just have fun with it and put the children's needs above your own shyness.

B-I-B-L-E

The B-I-B-L-E, Yes that's the book for me.
I stand alone on the Word of God.
The B-I-B-L-E

Action: Sing as you pass out the Bibles to the children.

Pat the Bible

Take your little hand and pat-pat-pat.
Take your little hand and pat-pat-pat.
Take your little hand and pat-pat-pat.
Pat the Holy Bible.

Tune: I'm a Little Teapot

Action: Guide children in gently patting the Bible while they sing this song.

God is Listening

God is listening. God is listening,
When we pray. When we pray.
Fold our hands so nicely.
Close our eyes so quietly.
Now we'll pray. Now we'll pray.

Tune: Are You Sleeping?

Actions: Use this any time you pray. It works great as the prayer before snack time.

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me this I know.
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong.
They are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me (repeat 3 times)
The Bible tells me so.

Tune: Traditional

Action: Sing while children are looking through their Bibles. A picture sticker of Jesus inside the front cover gives children a fun thing to look for in their Bibles. It also gives them an opportunity to say the name of Jesus.

God's Words are in My Bible

I love to hold my Bible. I love to look inside.
I love to turn its pages to see what I can find.
I love to read my Bible. I love to read inside.
God's words are in my Bible and that is what I find.

Tune: Itsy Bitsy Spider

Action: Guide children to turn pages of a Bible as you sing. After the song "read" the Bible" together by pointing to words as you read aloud: "God loves *child's name. Turn a few pages and read aloud: "God loves Mummy." Continue turning pages and reading how God loves members of the child's family or others they know. There is no end to this because, after all, God loves everyone in the world. John 3:16

Items to Use for Bible Time



Bell. Children can take turns ringing the bell at the beginning of Bible Time.



Bibles. Infants and toddlers can handle the Bibles and “read” them.

If there is a picture of Jesus glued in the inside front cover then the children can “find” Jesus when they read the Bible. (Or use a sticker if you have one)

Wipe down each Bible with an antiseptic wipe after use to avoid unwanted germs. Or consider providing each child with their own Bible for class.



Place a few stickers inside the Bibles so that the children can find them as they “read” their Bibles. Limit stickers to more natural looking items of creation instead of cartoon stickers. The object is for children to find the stickers to see the things that God has made.

As children find each sticker point to whatever the sticker portrays. Depending on the picture you would say something like, “The Bible says that God made the lamb.”

Only use a very few stickers (2-3) and make sure the pictures are large and clear. Tiny stickers are too difficult for the children to see and are very tempting to peel off.

Use duplicate stickers so that each child’s Bible has the same stickers. The children will often look for the same stickers every week and get a lot of joy out of finding them. And if one finds a flower sticker then they will all want to find a flower sticker 😊