

Made by Jesus

John 1:1-3,18

Big idea: Jesus made the world he would be born into

1. Sketch or actions story

Instructions

As you read the bible story below for your children today, they can join in in two ways:

Kids can either stand up and do actions as they listen

Or if they love drawing, they could draw some things they hear .. make sure it's just a quick sketch.

Later on they can colour their pictures in during the sermon, or draw more!

On the script below, there are 5 hashtags (#) at the start of selected paragraphs.

These give the clue that an action or picture could be completed for that section.

Story (read aloud)

This term we're looking at the book of John.

John wrote his book so that you and I would know that Jesus is God's Son.

John begins his book by going back to the very beginning.

In the beginning there was God.

God the Father, God the Son and God the Spirit.

And in the beginning, God spoke and an amazing world was made.

God made this world - God the Father, God the Son and God the Spirit.

That means Jesus - God the Son - made the world he'd one day be born into.

1# *(remind kids to do their drawing or action!)*

So when Jesus was born, he slept under the stars - stars he'd made.

He lay in a manger beside animals - animals he'd made.

And he looked up at his Mum – his Mum whom he'd made.

Jesus was born into the world he'd made.

2# When Jesus was a child, he ran along the ground - ground he'd made.

He climbed up hills - hills he'd made.

He stood on mountains - mountains he'd made.

Jesus was born into the world he'd made.

3# When Jesus was an adult he sailed on lakes - lakes he'd made.

Jesus walked on water - water he'd made.

Jesus caught fish - fish he'd made.

Children, Jesus was born into the world he'd made.

4# And that's why when Jesus said 'Be still!' - wind and waves stopped still.

When he said 'Catch fish!' - so many fish were caught, boats almost sank.

When he said 'Get up!' – legs that couldn't walk stood up and ran.

Jesus was born into the world he'd made.

5# Children, our clothes have tags – tags that tell us who made them.

In John chapter 1 we're told, 'Everything in this world was made by Jesus.'

Everyone and everything in this world has a tag on it.

And the tag says, 'Made by Jesus.'
Jesus was born into the world he made.
A world he would eventually die for.

Discussion

Try and think of all the things in our story that Jesus saw or touched or heard:

1. as a baby? (Stars, animals in the stable, his mum)
2. as a young boy? (The ground, the hills and the mountains)
3. as an adult? (Lakes, storms, fish)

What are some things you can see, touch or hear right now?

(This could be quite fun ... think of all the things in your house including family members, pets, toys, yard ... things that have been made by Jesus! Pray that your children see that all the good things they have are good gifts made by Jesus!! ... try get a big list!)

In our story we thought about how our clothes have a tag on it. What does the tag tells us?

(Who made it eg. Target!)

We know from the bible that everyone and everything in this world has a tag on it too. What does it say?

("Made by Jesus!")

All the things we can see, touch and hear have been made by Jesus!!

Digging deeper

Read John 1:1-3, 14a, 18

Who is the Word?

(Jesus)

What do we learn about the Word (Jesus)?

(He was there before the world was made, he was with God and he was God, he made all things, and he was also a man who lived among us, we can't see God but Jesus shows us what God is like - because he is God!)

So is there anything we can see, touch or hear that Jesus didn't make?

(No)

What's something that stands out from our bible study today?

Conclusion

John 1 teaches us that everyone and everything in the world has been made by Jesus. Jesus made the world he would be born into!
Everything has a tag on it that says ... "Made by Jesus!"
Jesus made the world he would one day die for.

Pray

Take time to thank Jesus for making everyone and everything!