

GOD AT WORK! PROGRAM OVERVIEW

THEME: <i>God at work for us in Jesus.</i>		THEME VERSE: <i>Yet God my king is from of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth. Psalm 74:12</i>			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Daily Theme	Jesus, Son of God	Jesus, Prophet	Jesus, Priest (Advocate)	Jesus, King	Jesus, Saviour
Bible Text	Luke 2:41-52	Luke 8:4-15 (or Matthew or Mark...)	John 8:2-11	Matthew 21:1-11	Matthew 27:24-28:10
Take-Home Point	Jesus is the Son of God!	Jesus is the ultimate teacher!	Jesus is our defender!	Jesus is an unexpected King!	Only Jesus can be our Saviour!
Memory Verse	1 John 5:20c– “[Jesus Christ] is the true God and eternal life”.	John 6:68 ‘Simon Peter answered him, Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.’	1 John 2:1 ‘We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous’	Luke 23:42 – “And he said, Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom”.	Romans 6:23 – “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”
Teaching Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Who is Jesus’ Father? <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus was happy to be in His Father’s house...He was God’s Son – He was also true God <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus has things He wants to teach us also! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A prophet is one who speaks and teaches God’s Word. <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus uses many word pictures to teach us God’s Word. <input type="checkbox"/> His Word is like seed. <input type="checkbox"/> God sends His Word to grow in us. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> According to the Law, the sinful woman deserves punishment. <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus points out that everyone is sinful and deserves punishment. <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus rescues the woman from punishment and forgives her. He tells her to go and sin no more. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus is on the last part of the journey that leads to His death. <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus, the king, comes into Jerusalem riding on a donkey. <input type="checkbox"/> The people welcome Jesus as their king, and also a prophet. Later He would wear a crown of thorns and die for His people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus traded places with us. He journeyed to the cross for us to pay for our sins. <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus is stronger than death <input type="checkbox"/> In His death and resurrection Jesus won the victory over sin and death and gives eternal life to us.

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Application Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus is special – He is God’s only Son <input type="checkbox"/> God loves you so much that He sent His only Son to do work that we can’t do <input type="checkbox"/> Address the “why” He came – God sent Him to save us from our sin. What do you inherit from your father? We inherited sin from Adam and are separated from God; because Jesus came we can call God “daddy”, and know that we inherit eternal life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The devil, the world, and our sinful nature fight against God’s Word. <input type="checkbox"/> The Holy Spirit works in us to help us to hear God’s Word and believe in Him. <input type="checkbox"/> God’s Word is very important in our lives, it shows us our need for Him, shows us His love, keeps us from harm, and teaches us how to live. <input type="checkbox"/> Who are the people who sow the seed now? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus is our priest –our advocate - meaning that he speaks on our behalf <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus stands between us and the punishment that we deserve. <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus actively works in our lives. He forgives our sins and helps us to turn away from them. He gives us a new life. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Because we can’t come to Him, Jesus, our king, gives up His heavenly kingdom and comes to us so that He can bring us into His kingdom. <input type="checkbox"/> The people treat Jesus as a king, but He is not the kind of king they want. <input type="checkbox"/> What kind of king do we want? What kind of king do we need? <input type="checkbox"/> How is Jesus still a king for us? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus’ death frees us from the guilt of our sins. <input type="checkbox"/> We don’t have to be afraid of death. Jesus’ resurrection means that our bodies will rise again too – everyone who believes in Him will live with Him forever! <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus sends us out to tell others the good news of salvation in Him <input type="checkbox"/> Because we are forgiven, we can also forgive others.
Theme Connection	Role connection during opening, e.g. Prophet/teacher; Priest/lawyer; King/king; Saviour Props? Pictures?				
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Craft	<p>younger children: paper woven heart - pre-cut</p> <p>older children: woven hands/heart out of felt</p>	<p>younger children: planting craft - dirt, seeds</p> <p>older; Ten Commandments folding sticks</p>	<p>younger children: paper plate - Jesus is the light craft;OR finger paints with a cross taped in advance to create white space</p> <p>older: small glass jars - glue hexagonal tissue paper and provide small tea light for inside</p>	<p>younger children: wooden cross inside felt crown</p> <p>older: foam foil crown</p>	<p>younger children: Jesus Lives - on cup glue cotton balls for clouds, ribbon comes through cup and attaches to Jesus for him to hide (in tomb) and then come alive again</p> <p>older: bottle cap cross necklace with leather and wooden beads</p>
Music Suggestions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> I Shall Dwell in the House of the Lord Forever 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Shrink and Grow (Read Your Bible, Pray Every Day) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus Rescues Me <input type="checkbox"/> My God is So Great (LOSP 64) <input type="checkbox"/> Are You Lost in the Dark? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus, Remember Me (LSB 767) <input type="checkbox"/> Oh, He’s King of Kings (SKLTS, 43) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Do You Know Who Died for Me? (LOSP, 93) <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus Lives! Alleliua, Amen! (LLV,29) <input type="checkbox"/> Jesus is Risen (LLV,28)