



# Preschool Lesson



## Lesson 1: Put God FIRST!



### Whatchagaddaknow:

“If I Put God First, He’ll Take Care Of The Rest!”



### Power Verse:

“Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.”

**-Matthew 6:33**

## Before the Lesson

- \* Collect the items for the activities you plan to use, referring to the Classroom Supplies and Lesson Manual Supplies listed in the chart.
- \* Pray for your students and for God’s direction in teaching the class.

## This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Bible Story - This week, the kids will learn from the story of Cain & Abel (Genesis 4:1-15).		Bible Story Pictures (pg. 5-8)
Hands-On Learning - The kids will learn learn what it means to give God their best and put Him first.	An inflated beach ball, A deflated beach ball	
Craft Option # 1 - Bible Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 9)
Craft Option #2 - Number One Craft	Finger paints or washable stamp pad, Cardstock	Number One Craft Print Piece (pg. 10)
Craft Option #3 - I Will Put God First Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	I Will put God First Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 11)



# **Bible Story**

*Supplies Needed: Bible Story Pictures (provided on pg 5-8)*

*Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.*

**Say** - Today's Bible Story is about the first two children in the Bible. Do you remember Adam and Eve, the first man and woman?

**Say** - They had two boys named Cain and Abel. Cain grew up to be a farmer. He grew crops and fruits and vegetables.

**Say** - Abel enjoyed taking care of the animals - the sheep, lambs, and goats.

**Say** - One day, they were both preparing tithes and offerings to give to God. They did not have money, so they gave God the first 10% of their stuff. *(show pic)*

**Say** - Abel brought God a wonderful offering of the best lambs that he had raised. They were beautiful and spotless. He gave them as an offering to God.

**Say** - God was very pleased with Abel's offering. After all, Abel had been obedient and brought God his BEST.

**Say** - Abel's brother, Cain, had a different plan. *(show pic)*

**Say** - He decided to pick some of the leftover crops - the stuff he didn't really want - and give that as an offering to the Lord. He did not give God his best.

**Say** - Do you think God was pleased with Cain's offering? No, He wasn't! He warned him that if he did not do what was right, it would lead to sin. *(show pic)*

**Say** - That's exactly what happened. Cain was very upset at God for not accepting his offering. *(show pic)*

**Say** - Cain was so angry and jealous of his brother Abel that he took Abel out into the field and killed him. How sad!

**Say** - Cain chose to disobey God by not giving Him his best. Disobeying God always leads to sin.

**Say** - We must learn a lesson and be like Abel, not Cain!

**Say** - We must put God first and give Him our best!

**Pray**



# **Hands-On Learning**

*Supplies Needed: An inflated beach ball, A deflated beach ball*

*Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see.*

**Say** - I brought some fun toys with me today. I have more than one, so I'll share with someone.

**-Choose a volunteer-**

**Say** - Great! Now we can play together! I am going to use this ball. *(show the inflated beach ball)*

**Say** - You can use this ball. *(give volunteer the deflated beach ball)* Let's toss and bounce the balls! *(begin throwing your ball in the air and bouncing it; act as though you are having a great time)*

**Ask** - Hey, why aren't you playing?

**-Allow time for the volunteer to respond-**

**Say** - I have to be totally honest with you - I kept the best ball for myself. I gave you that ball because it's sort of ruined and not very fun to play with. I'm sorry.

**Say** - I will hold onto that ball, and you can be seated. Next time we play together, I will make a better choice. *(take the deflated ball and hold both beach balls as you teach)*

**Say** - I made the wrong choice just then. Not good!

**Say** - There are times when we are all guilty of doing things like this. We keep the best things and push our leftovers on others. Even worse, we push our leftovers on God.

**Say** - This reminds me of a lesson we learned from our Bible Story.

**Say** - We must give God our first and best.

**Say** - Abel gave God his best offering. *(show fully inflated beach ball)* He made God number one!

**Say** - Cain gave God his leftovers. *(show deflated beach ball)* He wanted to keep the best for himself. He was selfish.

**Say** - We can learn a lesson from Cain's mistake. It is NEVER right to give God our leftovers.

**Say** - When we keep God as number one and give Him our best, He will take care of the rest!

**Pray**



## **Craft #1: Bible Story Coloring Page**

*Supplies Needed: Bible Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg 9); Crayons or markers*

*Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Bible Story Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is safe for them to color.*

**How To Do Craft** - Kids can color freely as they choose.



## **Craft #2: Number One Craft**

*Supplies Needed: Number One Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 10); Finger paints or washable stamp pad, Cardstock*

*Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the Number One Craft Print Pieces This will work best if printed on cardstock. Make sure you have enough pages for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is safe for them to use paint or a stamp pad.*

**How To Do Craft** - Allow each kid to decorate the number one by making fingerprints with one finger and paint or a washable stamp pad.



## **Craft #3: I Will Put God First Coloring Page**

*Supplies Needed: I Will Put God First Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 11); Crayons or markers*

*Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, print the I Will Put God First Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is safe for them to color.*

**How To Do Craft** - Kids can color freely as they choose.





*If you refuse  
to do what is right,  
then watch out!*





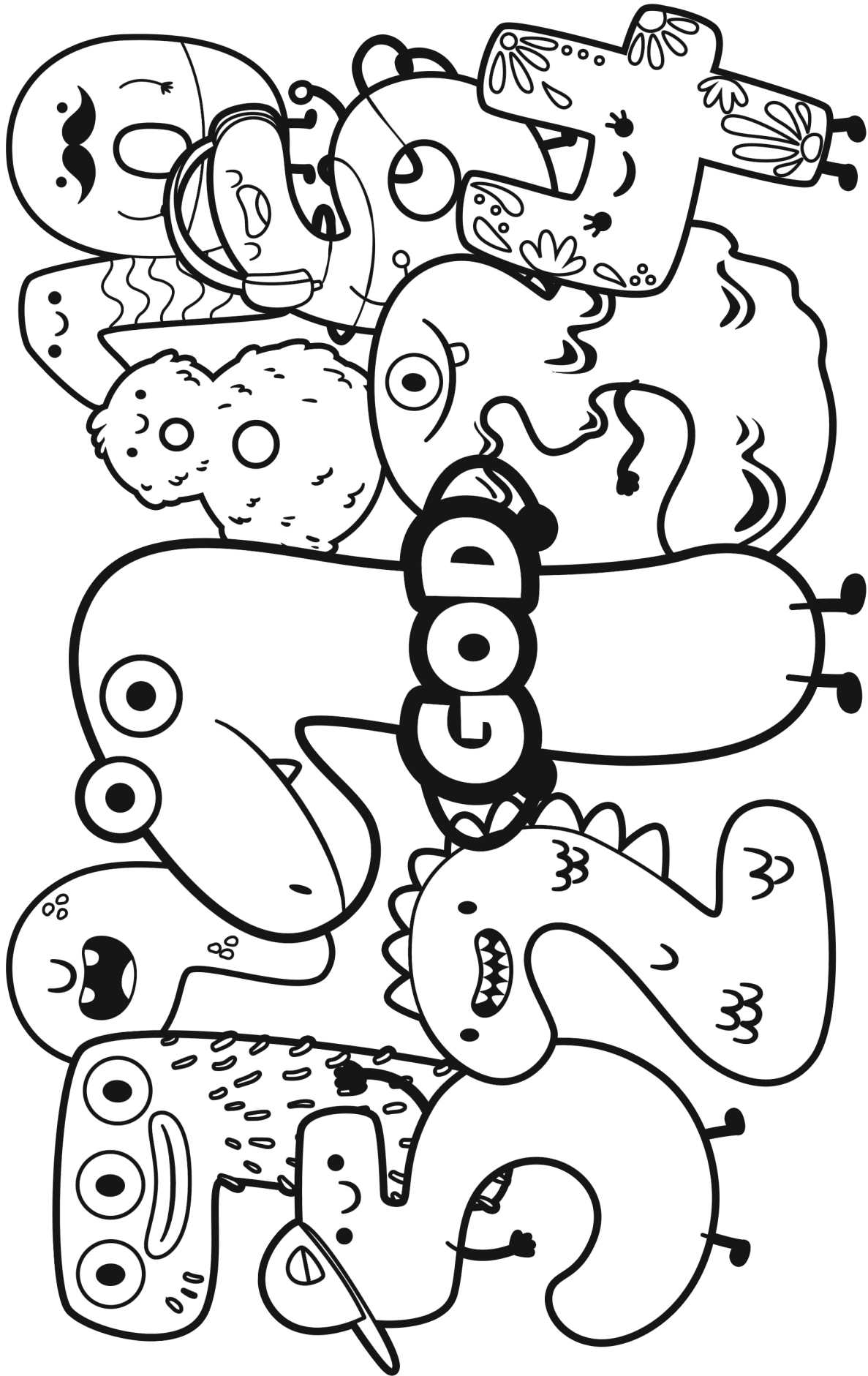




**CAIN GAVE GOD HIS LEFTOVERS. HE DID NOT PUT GOD FIRST.  
ABEL GAVE GOD HIS BEST. HE DID PUT GOD FIRST!**



**IF I PUT GOD FIRST,  
HE WILL TAKE CARE OF THE REST!**



**I WILL PUT GOD FIRST!**