

# Kindergarten and 1st Grade Lesson Plan

## Jesus Raised Lazarus

Bible Passage: John 11-12

Memory Verse: Isaiah 53:3

Big Picture Question: Why do people reject Jesus?

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### First Service

**8:15 - 8:45**

Check-ins and Playtime

**8:45 - 9:15**

Large Group

**9:15 - 9:25**

Small Group | 4 Questions

**9:25 - 9:40**

Snack with "Lollipops & Lemons"  
and Prayer Requests

**9:40 - 9:55**

Craft

**9:55 - end**

Playtime until Check-out

### Second Service

**10:30 - 11:00**

Check-ins and Playtime

**11:00 - 11:30**

Large Group

**11:30 - 11:40**

Small Group | 4 Questions

**11:40 - 11:55**

Snack with "Lollipops & Lemons"  
and Prayer Requests

**11:55 - 12:10**

Craft

**12:10 - end**

Playtime until Check-out

# Check-ins & Playtime

8:15 - 8:45 \ \ 10:30 - 11:00

**Check-ins** | Welcome families and receive kids as they arrive. Remind the parents that their child's safety is our highest priority. For the safety of their child, we must see their Security Label at pick-up, and if their child needs them before the service ends, we will TEXT them.

**Free Time** | There are games and activity pages that go along with today's lesson available for the kids. Use this time to connect with the kids and help the kids connect with each other.

## Large Group

9:45 - 9:15 \ \ 11:00 - 11:30

Line up and go to the Worship Room for Large Group. The Large Group Leader and Worship Leader will be teaching the lesson leading worship.



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Volunteers PLEASE remember to

- Sit with your kids. Chairs are available if needed.
- Participate, listen, and engage with the lesson alongside your class
- Support the Large Group and Worship leaders by lovingly correcting your kids if necessary.

# Small Group | 4 Questions

9:15 - 9:25 \ \ 11:30 - 11:40

Line up, go back to your classroom, and sit on the carpet for Small Group.

Gather the kids together and ask these four questions and discuss their answers.

- What did you like about today's story
- What did you find confusing about today's story?
- What did we learn about people?
- What did we learn about Jesus?

## Snack with “Lollipops & Lemons” and Prayer Requests

9:25 - 9:40 \ \ 11:40 - 11:55

### Snack

- Work together to pass out a cup of Goldfish crackers (Chex are available for those who are gluten and dairy free), a cup of water, and a napkin to each child. Encourage them not to eat until after you have prayed.
- Pray, asking God to bless your time together and that you will all get to know Jesus more. Invite a child to pray for the food.
- Enjoy while...

### “Lollipops and Lemons” & Prayer Requests

- While eating, ask your class if anyone had any “Lollipops” (good things that happened) or “Lemons” (bad things that happened) from this last week.
  - Lollipops - immediately thank God!
  - Lemons - immediately ask if someone would like to pray for their friend's “lemon.” Model short, one-sentence prayers.

**NOTE: This time gives kids a chance to learn that praying for someone is easy and doesn't have to sound fancy. There's power in their prayers too!**

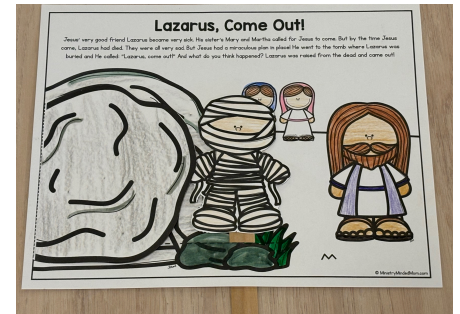
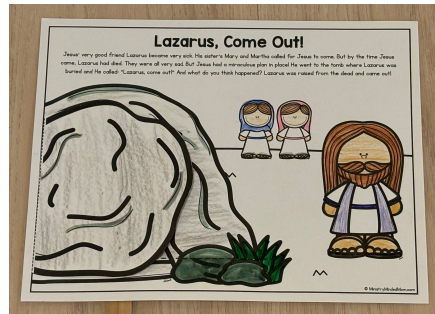
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9:40 - 9:55 \ \ 11:55 - 12:10

## Lazarus Craft

### Supplies:

- Background Template
- Stone Cutout
- Lazarus Cutout
- Craft Stick
- Masking Tape
- Stapler



### Instructions:

1. **In our lesson, we learned about how Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead. He showed that He has power over death. Everyone who trusts in Jesus will live forever with Him.**
2. Pass out the background template, stone cutout, Lazarus cutout, and coloring supplies
3. Allow kids to color their their template and cutouts.
4. Pass out the craft stick and give each child one piece of masking tape. Have the kids tape their Lazarus cutout to the craft stick to create a puppet.
5. Go around and help the kids staple their stone to the left edge of their background template to create a flap.
6. Show the kids how to slide their Lazarus puppet into the slit on the background template behind the stone. Then, they can slide Lazarus from left to right so it looks like he is walking out of the tomb!

# Free Time until Check-out

9:55 - end \ 12:10 - end

## Free Time

If time allows, allow the kids to play until their parents arrive.

## Check-out

As kids are getting picked up, check each security label. If they lost their label come find the coordinator who will help verify the guardian.

Send each kid home with an Activity Page. Show the parent that there are activities they can do during the week to help disciple their kids at home.

**Thank you  
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volunteers!**