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54 SURPRISING BIBLE OBJECT LESSONS (for ages 3-7)

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INTRODUCTION

Science experiments are a surefire way to get kids' attention. Even better? When kids get to help! Supplement your Bible lessons with these Bible-related object lessons from the popular Dig In curriculum. Kids ages 3 to 7 will participate in exciting science fun that focuses on the life of Jesus, including these clever ideas:

- Using vinegar and baking soda to inflate a balloon (reminding them that Jesus heals the sick).
- Harnessing the power of static electricity to pick up various items (demonstrating Jesus' power over sickness and death).
- Testing homemade listening devices (a reminder that Jesus hears us).
- Putting a balloon on a fan and watching what happens (to learn that Jesus helps us believe in him, even though we can't see him).

These memorable object lessons will stick with kids for years to come! The Scripture and topical indexes make it easy to find an object lesson that goes with your Bible lesson.

Get ready for a lot of *oohs*, *aahs*, and *wows* as kids are amazed to see how science can illustrate important Bible truths.



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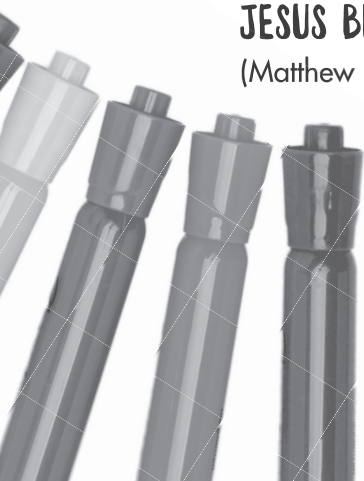
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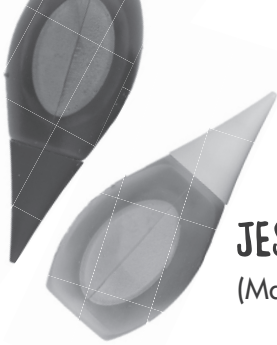
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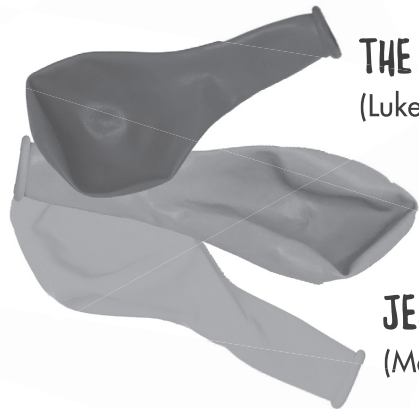
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Supplies

- paper
- scissors

PAPER STRETCH

What Kids Will Do

Kids see a sheet of paper become taller than them.

Cut a Spiral

Hold up a sheet of paper for children to see.

Ask:

- What things can you do with a sheet of paper?

Say: I'm going to do something really amazing—and kind of impossible. I'm going to make this sheet of paper taller than *any* of you.

Ask:

- Do you believe I can do that? Why?

Cut a spiral shape—in a single, continuous cut—from the outer edge of the paper to the center of the paper. Make the cut about one-half inch wide. (The narrower the cut, the longer the spiral will be.)

As you cut, say: **God sent an angel to tell Mary and Joseph he'd send his Son,**

Jesus, as a baby. To Mary and Joseph, that seemed *impossible*. But God does the impossible!

When you've finished cutting, ask a child to hold one end of the spiral to the ground while you hold the other end as high as you can.

Have children take turns jumping to see if the paper is taller than they can jump.

Talk About It

Ask:

- What did you think when you saw me do something impossible with this paper?
- Why do you think God does impossible things?

Say: I had a plan for this little sheet of paper. I wanted it to do something big and amazing! God has plans, too... and sometimes he has to do something impossible to make those plans happen. God did something impossible when he sent his Son, Jesus. God does the impossible.





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