"I AM"

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD - WEEK 1

MEMORY VERSE – "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

FOCUS VERSE – "Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, 'I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." John 8:12

STORY – Let's review our rhyme and motion!

We are going to talk about how Jesus called himself the Light of the World. *Why do you think Jesus calls Himself the Light of the World?*

Let's read our focus verse, every time I say "*light*" open your hands and when I say "*darkness*" close your hands. "Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, 'I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." John 8:12

This world is dark with sin, but Jesus forgives our sins and fills our hearts with light. He takes our sin away and shows us how to walk with light and where to go next, just like this flashlight does. But guess what! Jesus' light and the light inside us never goes out! When we ask him for help, He will always be there!

PRAYER – Jesus thank you that you always give us light. You are good and show us how to walk in the light!

SNACK - String cheese

CRAFT - Scratch off art

GAME – Red light, green light but with a twist. When the lights are on they can walk/run but when the lights go off they have to freeze!

Or freeze dance with lights. When the lights are on they dance but when they turn off they freeze!

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THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD - WEEK 2

MEMORY VERSE – "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

FOCUS VERSES – "Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, 'I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." John 8: 12

STORY – Let's review our rhyme and motion about the I AM statements Jesus said!

Let's review our memory verse again! Everytime I say "light" open up your hands, when I say "darkness" close them. "Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, 'I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." John 8:12

Did you know that there is a story about when Jesus spent time with children, just like us teachers are spending time with you? Some of the older people told the kids to go away and not bother Jesus. But Jesus said, "Let the children come to me!"

Children wanted to be around Jesus because they could see how GOOD, kind and loving He was. They wanted to sit and listen to what He had to say. They knew that He was the Light of this World and wanted to be around Him!

PRAYER – Jesus, thank you that you want to spend time with us. That you are GOOD and so kind. Thank you that you are the Light of this World.

SNACK - Pretzels and marshmallows, have fun creating a lantern

CRAFT - Paper lantern - decorate with stickers Coloring sheet

GAME – Ring toss with glow sticks. Throw necklace glow sticks onto large jars or cups on the floor.