J.E.S.U.S. J-JOYFUL

MEMORY VERSE – "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." Hebrews 13:8

FOCUS VERSE – "I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow!" John 15:11

STORY – Today we are talking about our new series called, J.E.S.U.S (*say letters*), which spells Jesus! The Bible tells us in Hebrews that, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." That means that Jesus never changes, and never will! With each letter of Jesus' name, we are going to be learning about who Jesus is! *Can you say "J" with me?* That's the first letter of His name!

What does being joyful mean? Happy, excited, smiling...being joyful in your body, face, words and actions shows that you are happy inside your heart or mind! *Can you show me a joyful face?*What are some things that bring you joy? Dancing, laughing, family, yummy food? *Did you know that YOU bring Jesus joy and Jesus gives us joy?* Jesus loves us so much that when He looks at us He is filled with joy. Jesus also gives us joy because of His great big love. Even when we are sad or mad, we can still find joy in our hearts because of Jesus' love!

QUESTIONS - 1. When was a time you were joyful?

- 2. It is easy to tell when someone is joyful?
- 3. What are things that make us joyful?
- 4. How do you think we bring Jesus joy?

PRAYER – "Jesus thank you that you are so joyful and because of Your love we can always find joy in our hearts!"

SNACK - Goldfish

CRAFT – Joyful noise maker

GAME – Joyful freeze dance. Dance while the music plays and freeze when the music stops.