



UNIT 20 | SESSION 3 | APRIL 25-26, 2020

Preschool Parent Guide

John Pointed to Jesus

Bible Passage: Matthew 3; John 1; 3

Story Point: John told people to follow Jesus.

Key Passage: “He must become greater; I must become less.” John 3:30

Christ Connection: Jesus was greater than John.

Use this guide to unpack what your kids are learning in the KidCity Online Experience. Pick an activity that works best for your family and lead your kids through the key passage and discussion questions. Check out the [Big Picture Card](#) or [Preschool Activity Page](#) as an additional resource for your kids to do during the week.

ACTIVITY OPTION 1: LEAD THE WAY

(Sidewalk Chalk)

Use sidewalk chalk and a little imagination to create an obstacle course. Make a starting point and work your way around the sidewalk (or wherever you are making the obstacle course) by drawing different activities.

Include many different tasks such as *dancing, jumping, hopping, turning around, jumping on 1 foot, clapping, going backwards*, etc. You could even include rocks or other objects and create a task around it. It's a good idea to squeeze in some "break" activities such as *make a wish, give high five to the sky, say your name, empty your pockets*, etc. It makes the obstacle course more fun. If you have older children in the home, have them help you create the course.

SAY • Great job following the path, even with the obstacles! John told people to follow Jesus in our Bible story today. People who believe in Jesus choose to follow Him and can invite others to follow Him, too.

ACTIVITY OPTION 2: DECIDE WHICH IS BEST

(No Supplies Needed)

Give preschoolers a choice between two options. If a preschooler thinks the first option is best, he should move to one side of the room. If he thinks the second option is best, he should move to the other side. Use the examples below or create your own. You may also have preschoolers stand or sit if space is limited.

Examples: popcorn or pretzels, blue or yellow, vanilla or chocolate, playing in the snow or swimming in a pool, crayons or markers, sunshine or rain, Elsa or Anna, dancing or singing, popsicle or ice cream, cookie or cake.

SAY • For our final choice, which is best: Jesus or everyone else? Jesus is the best of all. That’s why **John told people to follow Jesus**. John was happy that Jesus had come. John said, “Jesus must become greater, and I must become less.”

KEY PASSAGE MOTIONS

Say the key passage using motions. Repeat several times and encourage children for trying. “He (point up) must become greater, (hold arms upward in a V) but I (point thumbs to chest) must become less (crouch down)” John 3:30 (open hands like a book).

REVIEW

Ask the following questions. Retell parts of the Bible story as needed.

Who is the Savior? John or Jesus? (*Jesus*)

Who sent Jesus to earth? (*God sent Jesus to earth.*)

Who told people to follow Jesus? (John told people to follow Jesus.)

SAY • When John’s disciples told him that Jesus was baptizing people, he didn’t get jealous. He was happy! He knew that Jesus is most important. God did not send John to save us —God sent Jesus to do that! Jesus had come and John’s job was finished. John was happy to step aside and point other people to Jesus, the Savior.

PRAY

Invite your child to share any prayer requests they have.

SAY • Jesus, you are the best! You are the greatest of all! You lived a perfect life. You took the punishment for our sin. You came back to life, showing you are more powerful than anything. When we trust in you, our sin is forgiven, and we will be with God forever. Help us point others to you like John did. Amen.

CONNECT WITH PARENTS/INFLUENCERS

(Big Picture Card for 2s-3s or Preschool Activity Page for 4s-5s, Crayons)

Children may color the Story Point coloring page. Encourage them to do the Activity Page at home with you this week.