

BUILDING THE TABERNACLE



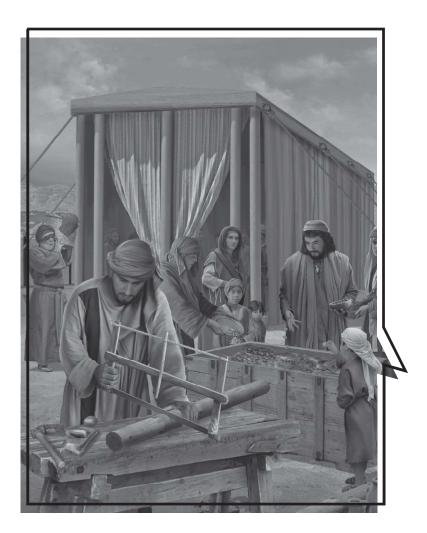
TRANSITION/GROUP TIME

BIBLE STORY STATEMENTS

- » God told Moses to build the tabernacle (tent church).
- » The people listened and went home to gather their offerings.
- » The people brought wood, stone, cloth, and spices.
- » The people worked together to build the new tabernacle.

BIBLE WORDS TO HEAR

» Moses, tabernacle (tent church), offerings



YOUR TEACHING PARTNER(S)	
DATE OF USE	

ROOM

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

People at church sing, talk to God, and listen to Bible stories.

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

Exodus 35:4-36:37; 39:32-43

BIBLE VERSE

We will do everything God says. *Exodus* 24:3

LIFE POINT

People at church learn and work together.

REMEMBER TO

Use a calm, quiet voice.

Focus attention on the babies.

Review parents' instructions and any medical information.

Put take-home items in children's bags.

Make a final diaper check.

Release children to authorized adults.



EXPLORE TEXTURES

Gather: Bible, tray, variety of fabric squares (flannel, satin, lace, burlap, wool, corduroy, or felt), tape

Do: Tape the squares together end to end. Option: Sew the squares together instead.

- Suide younger babies to touch the mat with their hands. Entice an older baby to crawl on the squares. Place a toy at one end to get the baby's attention.
- » Tell: "You can touch the soft flannel. People gave cloth to help build the tent church. Thank You, God, for church friends to help."
- Tell the Bible story statements as the babies continue to explore the textures.
- » Remark: "God told Moses and the people to build the tent church. They did what God told them to do. We should obey God, too."

BUILD WITH BOXES

Gather: Bible, assorted cereal boxes, clear packing tape

Do: Prepare boxes by sealing the open ends with clear packing tape. Place the Bible and boxes on the floor.

- » Guide the older babies to stack the boxes. Assist if needed.
- » Comment: "We're working together to stack these boxes. Moses and the people worked together to build the tent church."
- Tell the Bible story statements.
- Say that the people worked together to build the tent church.
- State that people at church learn and work together.

FOLLOW THE BOTTLE

Gather: Clear plastic bottle, colored jingle bells, hot glue or clear packing tape

Do: Drop the bells inside the bottle. Seal the bottle with hot glue (teacher use only) or clear packing tape.

- » Lay a baby on his back on the floor so that he faces you.
- » Hold the bottle above him and move it slowly to one side while gently shaking it.
- » Mention: "You're looking at the bells. You can hear the bells, too. God gave you eyes to see and ears to hear. Thank You, God, for eyes and ears."
- » Move the bottle to the other side to encourage the baby to track the toy.
- Tell the Bible story statements as you play with the baby.
- » Say: "People at church learn and work together. We will do everything God says. Exodus 24:3."

PLAY WITH VEHICLES

Gather: Toy vehicles

- Sit an infant in your lap. Move a vehicle in front of her eyes to track it as it moves.
- » Let the baby touch and/or hold the vehicle.
- Tell the Bible story statements.
- » Relate that we ride in cars when we bring our offerings to church.
- Say that the people brought their offerings of wood, stone, cloth, and spices to the tent church.
- » Remark that the people did what God said to do.
- » State the Bible Verse: "We will do everything God says. Exodus 24:3."

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