## DECORATION IDEAS

- Boat
- Fishing poles
- Fishing nets

## SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Bible- to encourage preschoolers in their understanding that the story they are hearing today is from the Bible, please open your Bible and place the lesson inside.
- CD and CD player
- Fishing nets
- Plastic fish or colorful fish cutouts



GF OO PISH Share The Good News!

---- TODAY'S VERSE

"'Come, follow me,' Jesus said, 'and I will make you fishers of men.'"

----- Matthew 4:19 ----

Teacher will open Bible to **Matthew 28:16-20** and explain to children that this is where the story we are going to hear today is written.

Let's Review!

- $\Box$  You are a superstar to God and He has a plan for you.
- God has given us rules to help us make good choices and to show us what sin is.
- $\Box$  God sent Jesus to pay the price for my sin.
- □ I have a choice to make. Am I going to open God's gift of forgiveness and life with Him?
- □ Today we are going to talk about the good news we have to share with our friends and family.

Have students take out fish and share good news that they have heard. Teacher should start and model. One day Jesus was walking along the shoreline of a big lake. There were fisherman all around fishing. Jesus went up to Peter and Andrew and told them to leave their fishing nets and follow Him. Jesus also found ten other men to follow Him. Jesus explained about the new job He had for them. They were going to be fishers of men. They didn't understand exactly what Jesus meant but they did what He asked. These men became Jesus' disciples. They followed Jesus and watched Him and learned from Him. He was their teacher and friend.

Jesus taught them what it meant to be fishers of men and women. It meant to tell them the good news.



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The good news is called the gospel and it is the best news ever! Jesus wants us to tell others that God loves them, that Jesus died for their sins, and that if they tell God they're sorry for their sins, they can be forgiven and go to heaven some day.

We have a God who loves us more than anyone else. We have a best friend who will never leave us. We have the Holy Spirit who helps us make right choices.

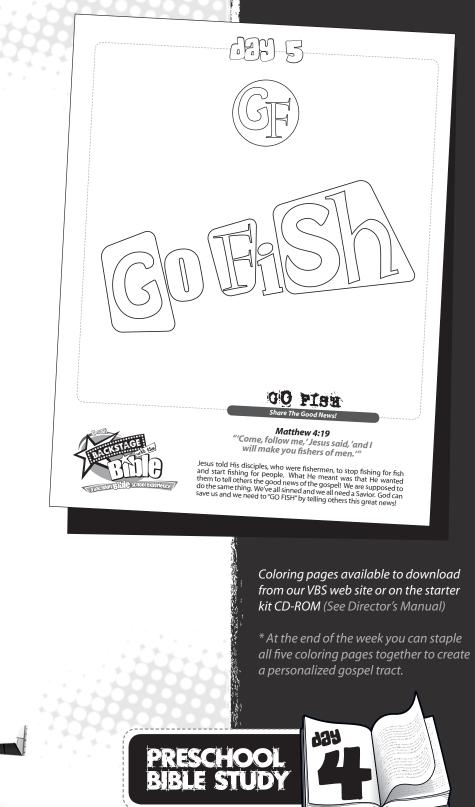
Jesus wants us to tell our family and friends the good news. You don't need to wait until you're a grown up to tell others about Jesus. You can start right now. What good news about Jesus would you like to share with your friends and family? Who would you like to share the good news with?

## Redo nets and fish

This time have children share the good news they have learned about this week, the good news they want to share with their friends and family and who they want to share the good news with.

Preschoolers struggle with staying on topic. You may need to be ready to redirect often.

## TODAY'S COLORING PAGE



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