



MONTHLY OVERVIEW

Everyone loves a party because parties mean we have something to celebrate. Birthdays, Christmas, a winning season—each party brings so much joy!

This month, we are going to start a party that celebrates the Good News about God! And when God is at the center of our celebration, I can have joy all the time! It doesn't sound possible, at first, but then when we think about God . . . who God is . . . what God has done . . . how much God loves us . . . well, that is worth celebrating! God is worth celebrating! All day, every day! So let's Start The Party! It's time to celebrate the Good News about God.

<p>WEEK ONE</p>	<p>BIBLE STORY Story of the Lost Sheep Luke 15:1-7</p>	<p>STORY FOCUS I can have joy because God loves me.</p>
<p>WEEK TWO</p>	<p>BIBLE STORY Feast of Booths Deuteronomy 16:13-17</p>	<p>STORY FOCUS I can have joy because God helps me.</p>
<p>WEEK THREE</p>	<p>BIBLE STORY Ezra and the Rebuilding of the Temple Ezra 3:10-13</p>	<p>STORY FOCUS I can have joy when I do hard things.</p>
<p>WEEK FOUR</p>	<p>BIBLE STORY Joy in the Psalms * Psalms 8 and 19</p>	<p>STORY FOCUS I can have joy when I see what God has made.</p>
<p>WEEK FIVE</p>	<p>BIBLE STORY God Will Give Us Joy Habakkuk 3:17-18</p>	<p>STORY FOCUS I can have joy no matter what.</p>

**Monthly Story for Toddler Curriculum*

MEMORY VERSE	KEY QUESTION	BOTTOM LINE
<p>"A JOYFUL HEART IS GOOD MEDICINE." PROVERBS 17:22, ESV</p>	<p>WHO CAN HAVE JOY ALL THE TIME?</p>	<p>I CAN HAVE JOY ALL THE TIME.</p>

GOD LOVES ME.