

Week of January 29, 2023

Who's Counting?

Preschool

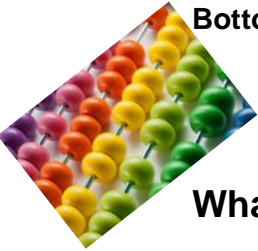
Today's Bible Story: God cares about my relationships. Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz • *Ruth 1–2*

Memory Verse: "Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things." Colossians 3:2 NIV

Bottom Line: God cares about your relationships.

Activity: How to Say Thank You

What you need: No supplies needed



What You Do:

During the Activity: Teach your child how to say, "Thank you" in several different languages.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: Are you ready to dive deeper into today's true Bible story? Let's get started! I have something fun to teach you. Can you say, 'Thank you'? (*Pause.*) Great job! Did you know there are LOTS of ways to say, 'Thank you,' in other languages? Let's learn a few."

During the Activity: "In sign language, 'thank you' looks like this. (*Touch your fingers, hand flat, to your chin, then bring your fingers forward, almost as if you're blowing a kiss.*)

"In Spanish, you say, 'Gracias.' Can you say it? (*Pause and practice.*) In Italian, you say, 'Grazie!' Can you say it? (*Pause and practice.*) In German, you say, 'Danke.' Can you say it?" (*Pause and practice.*)

After the Activity: "You did an awesome job of learning new ways to say thank you! And guess what? God understands every language! He hears you and understands you no matter where you live or what language you speak. Remember, **[Bottom Line] God cares about your relationships. Who cares about your relationships? [Bottom Line] God cares about your relationships.**"

PRAYER:

"Dear God, Thank You for our families. Thank You for [child's name]. Thank you for giving us friends and family to help us. Help us to remember to be thankful for the friends and family you have given us. And thank You for giving us Jesus so we can be a part of Your family forever. You are amazing, God, and we love You. In Jesus' name, amen."

