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Monthly Bible Story: Light of the World • *Matthew 5:1-2, 14-16*

Bible Words: “Let your light shine.” *Matthew 5:16, NIV*

Bottom Line: You can do what Jesus says.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Story Time

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What You Need: Preschool Bible and “Story Pictures” Activity Pages copied on cardstock

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What You Need: Preschool Bible

LEADER:

“Hello, friends! I’m so glad to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today’s true story from the Bible *(hold up the Bible)* begins when Jesus told His friends, the disciples *(hold up the picture of Jesus and the disciples)*, ‘You are the light of the world.’ Everyone, hold your finger in the air like this. *(Demonstrate.)* Let’s pretend this is your light.”

“When you are kind, your light shines and people can see that Jesus is kind.
When you forgive, your light shines and people can see that Jesus forgives.
When you share, your light shines and people can see that Jesus shares.
When you help, you shine your light so people can see that Jesus helps.
When you do what Jesus says, you shine your light so people can see that Jesus loves them and wants to be their friend forever. YOU can do that!
[Bottom Line] You can do what Jesus says.”