

Puppet Role Play Script

Print one copy for your use during class and to rehearse the role play. You may want to recruit another person to help you with one of the puppets. Use two puppets—preferably the same puppets all year so the children will begin to look forward to seeing them again on Review Sunday. Allow the children to get involved if appropriate.

Teacher: *Bring the puppets out. Well, guess who is here with me today? Some friends of mine! They are (Puppet One and Puppet Two)! (Tell the children the names of your puppets.)*

Puppet One: Hi, everyone! It's good to be here again!

Teacher or Students: We are certainly glad to have you.

Puppet Two: Wow! Every week you get to come and hear about God and what He has done! That's great. So, what have you been talking about this time?

Teacher: We've been talking about Jesus and some of the things He did!

Puppet One: That sounds exciting! Jesus did so many wonderful miracles.

Puppet Two: Yeah! We know Jesus is God. He had the power to do things that only God can do.

Teacher: That's right. We learned how Jesus showed His power over nature.

Puppet Two: Oh, like when the disciples were out on the sea during that huge storm?

Puppet One: And Jesus walked on the water?

Teacher: Yes! That's right! Jesus showed His power over nature by walking on the water and stopping the storm. But that's not all, Jesus showed His power over nature when Simon Peter was fishing.

Puppet One: Didn't Jesus tell Simon to go back out and let his nets down again?

Puppet Two: That's right. Simon thought he was finished for the day. He hadn't caught anything all night long. It was a bad night for a fisherman.

Teacher: Yes. That's right. But his bad night was going to turn into a wonderful day. Class, tell us what happened when Simon let down his net. *Allow class to answer. He caught a large amount of fish.*

Puppet Two: Didn't he catch so many fish that the net began to break?

Puppet One: Yes. And then the boats started to sink!

Teacher: Right! Jesus is God. He caused Peter to catch all those fish. He has power over nature.

Puppet One: Wow! What other miracles did Jesus do?

Teacher: Class, why don't you tell them what else Jesus has power over. Remember when He healed the sick woman? What did Jesus show His power over? *Allow class to answer. Power over diseases and sickness.*

Puppet One: Oh, right! There was a woman who was sick with a fever. But when Jesus just touched her, the fever went away right away, and she got up and started serving them.

Puppet Two: Did you talk about anyone else?

Teacher: Oh, yes! We read about two blind men. And Jesus touched their eyes, and they could see again.

Puppet Two: Jesus has power over nature and over disease!

Puppet One: I know the word that means Jesus is all-powerful. Do you know it, class? Say it with me. Om-ni-po-tent. *Repeat with class.*

Teacher: Good job! And Jesus is sovereign; He's in control of everything—diseases and good health—life and death. We talked about a man named Lazarus.

Puppet One: Lazarus was Jesus's friend, right? Didn't he die?

Teacher: Yes, he did die. But his death showed something else great about Jesus.

Puppet One: What was it?

Teacher: Jesus showed His power over death. He called Lazarus out of his tomb. And all the people saw it. Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.

Puppet Two: Jesus even has power over death!

Puppet One: That's because Jesus is God!

Puppet Two: Learning the things Jesus did is so exciting! Were there any other miracles you studied?

Teacher: Well, there was one more we read about. And it had to do with food, and Jesus feeding lots of people!

Puppet One: Oh! I heard about that. Jesus fed 5,000 people when they were hungry! Right?

Teacher: That's right! Jesus only had two little fish and five small loaves of bread. But He used that, prayed to God, and started passing out food.

Puppet One: And there was plenty for all the people to have as much as they wanted.

Puppet Two: Right. But don't forget the leftovers! The disciples gathered 12 baskets full of leftover pieces!

Teacher: Jesus showed that He has the power to give us all we need. But even more than that—Jesus told the people that He is the bread of life.

Puppet One: That's kind of hard to understand. Jesus isn't a piece of bread to eat.

Teacher: No, He isn't. Jesus gave them bread to fill their stomachs. And we need food so our bodies don't die. But Jesus said He was the bread of life. And He means *eternal* life.

Puppet Two: And that's why Jesus came to earth, isn't it? To give eternal life?

Puppet One: Yeah! Isn't that what Jesus's mission was?

Teacher: You're right. God the Father sent Jesus to earth to live a perfect life. Jesus never sinned. Then He died on the Cross to take our punishment for sin. Jesus is God. Only He can forgive people of sins. Only Jesus can offer eternal life in heaven with Him to those who turn away from their sins and turn to Him by believing and trusting in Jesus.

Puppet One: I love studying the Bible!

Puppet Two: Me, too. It's great! I guess we better go, though. Thanks for sharing with us.

Teacher: You are welcome! Come see us again.

Puppets together: Good-bye!

Teacher and children: Bye! *Put puppets away.*

If time allows sing the songs from the lesson. Have your snack.