

Jesus is the Good Shepherd

Children's Activities

John 10:11-15

May 3, 2020

Marshmallow Sheep (Craft)

Have the following items on the table:

1 bag of large marshmallows

1 bag of miniature marshmallows

1 box of pretzel sticks

Have the children create sheep using only the items on the table. They can tear apart the marshmallows and break the pretzel sticks if desired. Have the children decide which sheep are the funniest and the most realistic.

Suggested Parent/Child Activity:

Play a little game of role-play with your child. You can be the shepherd and your child can be a sheep. If you have other children, let them play as sheep also. Blindfold your child, or or, let him or her keep both eyes closed. As the shepherd, you must keep your child away from harm as you instruct him or her how to walk around the living room, or around an outdoors obstacle course. Then, switch roles and let your child become the shepherd and lead you around the room. After the game, talk about how important it is for your child to trust in God the same way he or she trusted you when you played the role of shepherd. The point of this activity is to show that we can come to harmful places in our lives, but God will be there to guide us and help us out of them when we trust in Him.

Then ask your child/children if they have ever been afraid or felt they were in harm's way. Talk about what made them feel better and now they can pray when that happens knowing that Jesus is always there to guide us and help us.