



October 17 & 18, 2020

Today's Bible Story: God hears me and gives me what I need.
Hagar • *Genesis 21:14-20*

Memory Verse: "God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9, NLT

Key Question: Who's got it?

Bottom Line: God's got it.

Basic Truth: God loves me.

WORSHIP

Engage kids' hearts through worship.

MEMORY VERSE

PARENT: "God is always with us. In fact, that's what our memory verse says. Let's say it together.

"God (*point both hands straight up*)
is with you (*point out to a friend*)
wherever (*wave hands in a circle*)
you go, (*march in place*)
Joshua 1:9 (NLT). (*Open your hands like a book.*)

Say the verse and do the motions together several times.

STORY

What You Need: Bible

PARENT: “Today’s Bible story is about how we can talk to God! Are you ready to hear it? *(Pause.)* GREAT!

Open the Bible and lay it in front of you.

“Our true story from the Bible begins in a desert. Have you ever been to a desert? *(Pause.)* Some deserts are sandy and hot . . . really, really hot. Let’s pretend we’re in a really hot desert and fan ourselves with our hand like this.

Demonstrate fanning yourself with your hand.

“It’s soo hot out here! Look at that sun! It must be 100 degrees. Keep fanning yourself. I’m sweating! Are you sweating? I need to fan myself with two hands! WHEW! This desert is hot!

“Okay, you can stop now. Like I said, today’s Bible story takes place in a hot desert. There was a mother named Hagar and her son. They were very tired and very hot.



“Now tell me, what do people need when they are very tired and very hot? Let’s see if you can guess.

“Do they need a . . . warm coat? *(Pause.)* Noooo! Do they need some . . . roller skates? *(Pause.)* Noooo! Do they need some . . . water? *(Pause.)* Yes! They need water!



“And Hagar and her son really needed some water. But they didn’t have any—not even a drop of water! They were out, and Hagar didn’t know what to do.

“She put her son under a tree then she walked somewhere else and sat. They were just too tired and hot and thirsty to walk anymore.



“And that’s when Hagar began to cry. Then Hagar’s son cried, too. They were both crying. Everyone, let’s cry with them.

Demonstrate crying by saying “boo-hoo-hoo” and rubbing your eyes.

CHILDREN and PARENT: “Boo-hoo-hoo! Boo-hoo-hoo!”

PARENT: “Okay, we can stop crying now. Good job!”

“Hagar and her son were all alone in the desert. They were tired, thirsty, and hot. They thought no one could hear them crying. But Someone DID hear them!

“Tell me . . . WHO always hears us? *(Pause.)* GOD! That’s right! God always hear us.

“And as Hagar and her son cried, an angel spoke to Hagar and told her not to be afraid. God had heard her son’s cry, and He showed her where to find . . . YES! WATER! God showed Hagar where to take her son to get some cool, refreshing, much needed WATER!



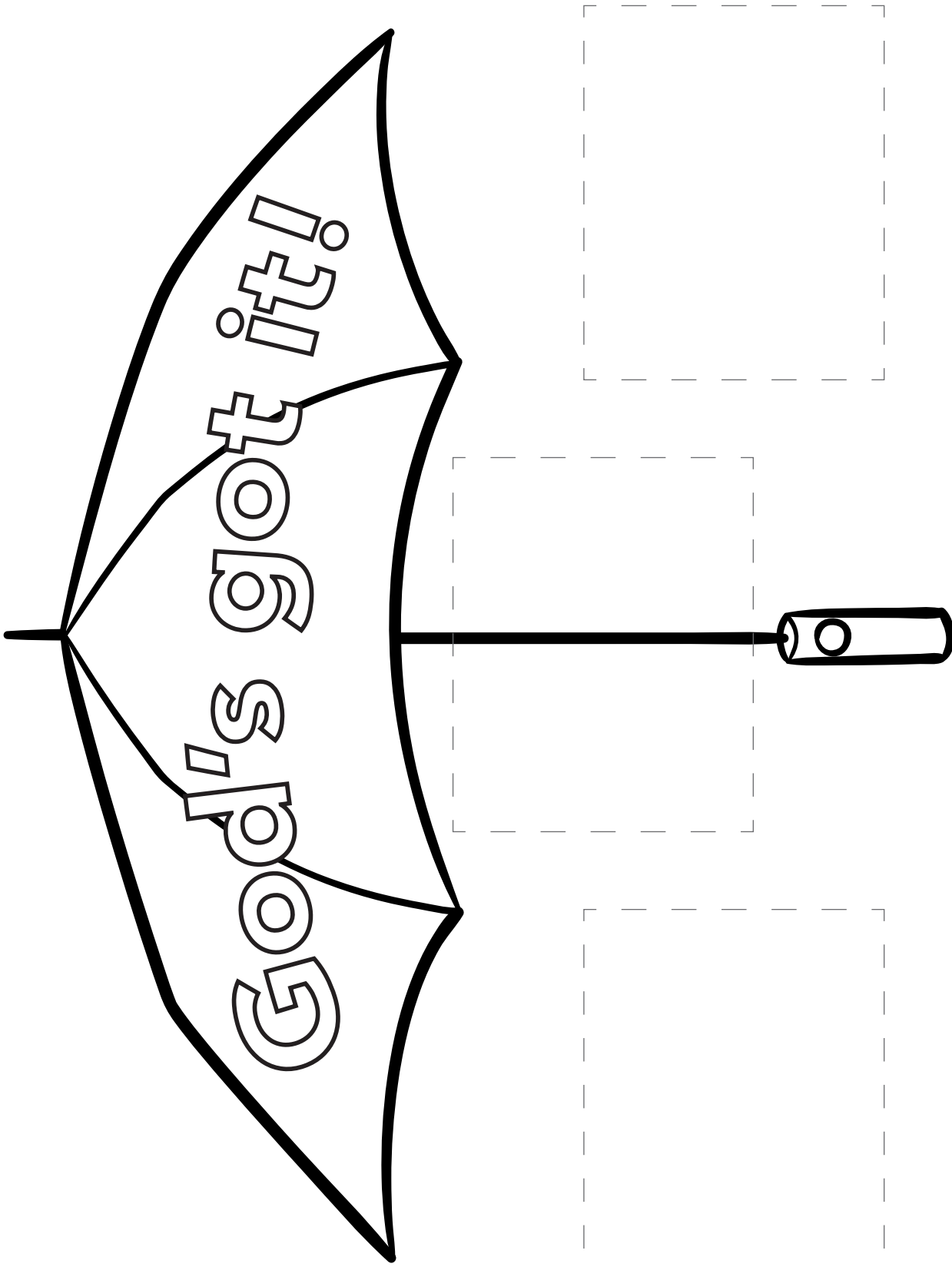
“Wow! God loves us SO much! No matter where we go, God is with us, and we don’t ever have to worry because **[Bottom Line] God’s got it! Who’s got it?”**

CHILDREN and PARENT: **[Bottom Line] “God’s got it!”**

PARENT: “He sure does! Okay friends, it’s time to pray. Let’s close our eyes and talk to God together.”

PRAYER

“Dear God, it makes me feel so good to know that You are always with me and all of my friends here today. No matter where we go, You hear us and take care of us. We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.”



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Week 3 Activity

Cut the pictures and place in story order on the umbrella.

