

Week 21: The Wise Man/Foolish Man



Supplies

- Bible



Flannelgraph*

- Water/Sky Board with S2, 185
- Wise Man - 20B
- Foolish Man - 23
- Rock - 197A
- Rock House - 205
- Sand House - 206

*The Betty Lukens Flannelgraph is optional, but adds a visual and tactile portion to the story.

Story: Matthew 7:24-29

The Bible tells us a story that Jesus told about two men who each built a house.

The wise man said, "I am going to build a house. *Point to forehead each time that you say wise.* I want my house to be very strong so I am going to build it over there on that big strong rock. I don't care if it takes longer to build or if it is more work. I want my home to be safe from any storm." So the wise man started building. Hammers, nails, boards. *Pound your fist into your hand.* Up the house went. *Raise arms in the air.* Because it was built on a solid rock, the house on the rock was strong. Show me your muscles.

The foolish man said, "I am going to build a house. I love the beach and want to hear the waves. The sand feels so warm and wonderful. I am going to build my house right on the beach." So the foolish man started building. Hammers, nails, boards. *Pound your fist into your hand.* Up the house on sand went. *Raise arms in the air.*

Slowly rub fingertips together. Oh, do you hear that? That's sounds like wind. Help me make the wind. *Slowly rub hands together.* Wow...the trees are beginning to blow around. *Quickly rub hands together.* There are some dark clouds. Is it going to rain? *Slowly snap fingers.* Was that a raindrop? *Quickly snap fingers.* We are getting wet. *Clap hands.* Do you hear that thunder? *Clap and then immediately hold hands up with spread fingers and strike downward.* That was lightening. *Quickly tap thighs.* This is a strong storm!

The wise man watched the storm and knew that his house was strong. The wise man saw the dark clouds and lightening. The wise man saw the tall waves. But the storm didn't scare the wise man. The wise man knew that his house was built on a rock. *Sing verse 1 of the Wise Man and the Foolish Man.* But the foolish man watched in horror. Show me a scared face. While the beach was beautiful, it wasn't a good place to build a house. The sand wasn't a firm foundation. Right before the foolish man's eyes, (*clap*) the house collapsed! All was left was a pile of rocks. *Sing verse 2 of the Wise Man and the Foolish Man.*

A parable is a story that Jesus told to teach us something. Let's see what we can learn from this story. Jesus explained that people who obey what Jesus says and the Bible are wise. Wise people are like the man who built his house on the rock. But everyone who ignores what Jesus says and doesn't do as he says is foolish. Foolish people are like the man who built his house on the sand.

Jesus doesn't want us to just hear the stories in the Bible. Jesus wants us to obey His Word. Just as the house on the rock stood firm, we can never go wrong when we obey God's commands. *Sing verse 3 of the Wise Man and the Foolish Man.*

Comprehension Questions:

- How many builders were in the story?
- Whose house fell down/did not fall down?
- Whose house was stronger? What made it stronger?

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Interactive Bible Stories
Sample

Baa, Baa, Black Sheep

Traditional

Baa, baa, black sheep

(hammer fists together)

Have you any wool?

(shrug shoulders)

Yes sir, yes sir

(shake head)

3 bags full

(raise three fingers)



1 for the master, **1** for the dame

(one hand out, other hand out)

And **1** for the little boy

(hands show little)

Who lives down the lane

(sway hands to create a lane)

Repeat first four lines

Baa, Baa, Black Sheep
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(hammer fists together)

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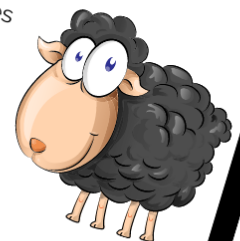
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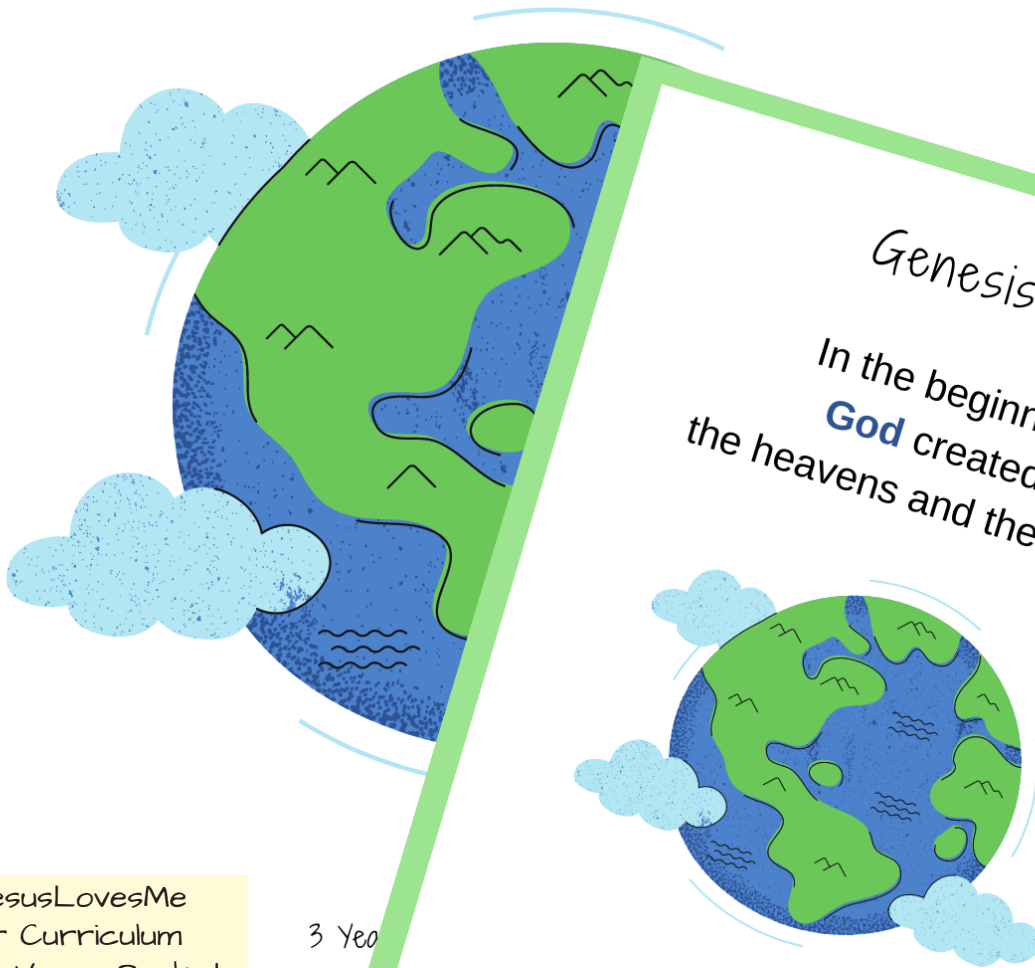
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Genesis 1:1 NIV

In the beginning
God created
the heavens and the earth.



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Genesis 1:1 NIV

Tune: Are You Sleeping?

In the beginning

(hammer fists)

In the beginning

God created

(point up)

God created

The heavens and the earth

(wave arms, form circle)

The heavens and the earth

Genesis 1:1

(form book)

Genesis 1:1

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Genesis 1:1 NIV

Tune: Are You Sleeping?

In the beginning
(hammer fists)

In the beginning

God created
(point up)

God created

The heavens and the earth
(wave arms, form circle with arms)

The heavens and the earth

Genesis 1:1

(form book with hands)

Genesis 1:1

This is the Day

Traditional Echo repeated lines.

This is the day

(point down)

This is the day

That the Lord has made

(point up)

That the Lord has made

I will rejoice

(wave arms)

I will rejoice

And be glad in it

(point to smile)

And be glad in it

This is the day that

(clap)

I will rejoice and

This is the day

This is the day

That the Lord has made



This is the Day

Traditional

Echo repeated lines.

This is the day

(point down)

This is the day

That the Lord has made

(point up)

That the Lord has made

I will rejoice

(wave arms)

I will rejoice

And be glad in it

(point to smile)

And be glad in it

This is the day that the Lord has made

(clap)

I will rejoice and be glad in it

This is the day

This is the day

That the Lord has made



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black



Color Black Song

Heidi Franz

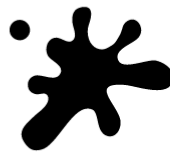
Tune: Skip to My Lou

Black, black pat your back
(clap, clap, pat back)

Black, black pat your back

Black, black pat your back

God made beautiful **colors!**
(point up, bring arms down as rainbow)

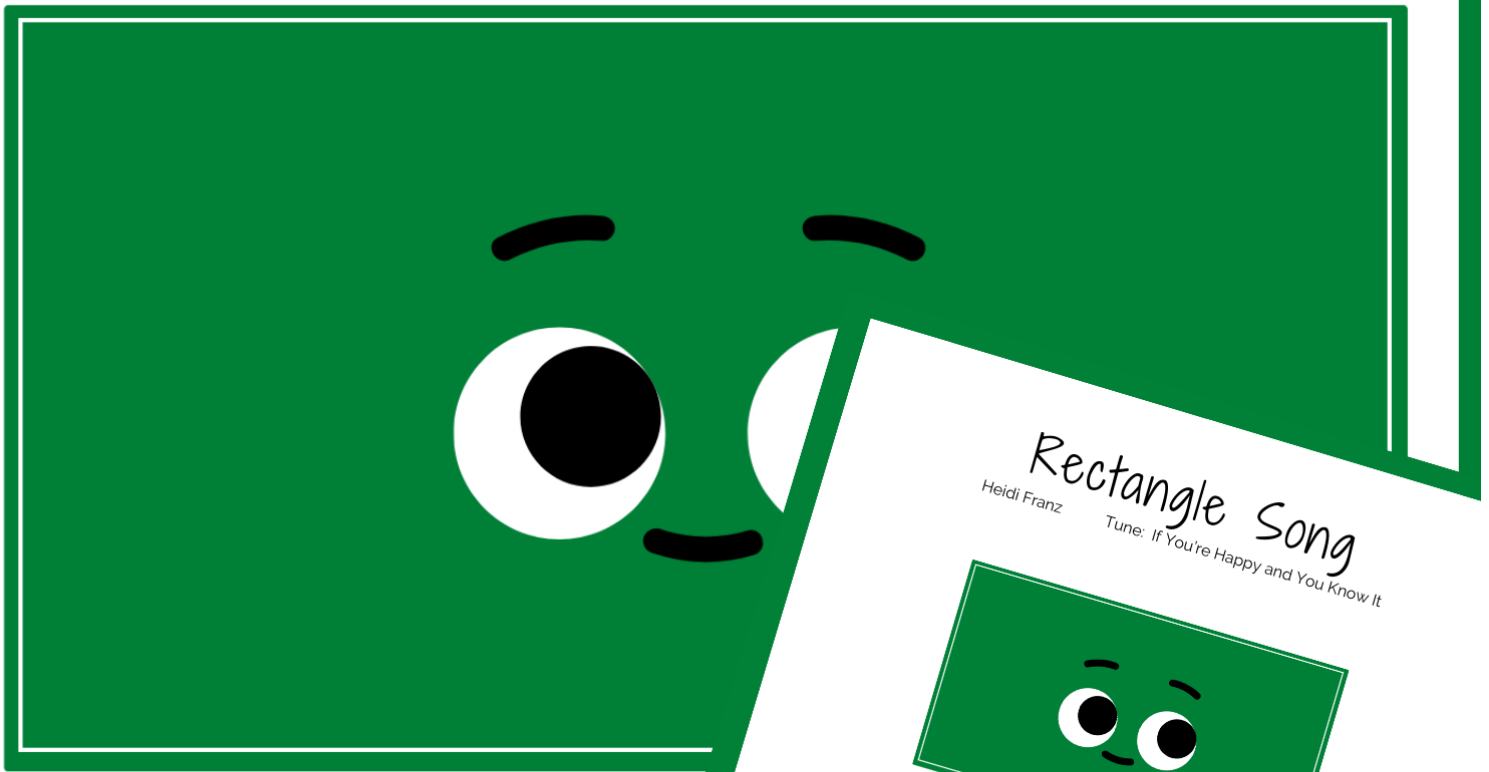


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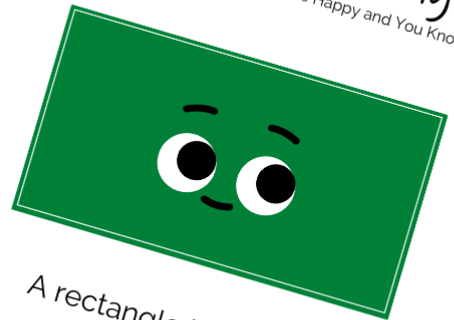
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Color Packet Sample

rectangle



Rectangle Song
Heidi Franz
Tune: If You're Happy and You Know It



A rectangle has **4** sides
Clap, clap

A rectangle has **4** sides
Clap, clap

2 long sides and **2** short sides
(show "short" and "long" with hands)

A rectangle has **4** sides
Clap, clap

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