



Have fun learning and playing  
with your preschooler!



## Activity

### Stand Up Smiles

#### What You Need

Colander, pipe cleaners (or skinny straws)

#### What You Do

Place the colander upside down on the table so the holes are up. Lay several pipe cleaners next to the colander.

Demonstrate how to pick up a pipe cleaner and stick the end into the colander holes.

Say, "Let's pretend each pipe cleaner is a person. Let's count each person as we put them into the holes."

Encourage your child to place the pipe cleaners in the colander holes until they've used them all. Once finished, your child can remove the pipe cleaners and play again.

After the activity while the pipe cleaners are still in the colander, say, "Whoa! That's a big crowd. Do you know what was an even BIGGER crowd? The one Jesus fed in today's Bible story. He used only FIVE loaves of bread and TWO fish to feed 5000 people. Jesus is such a good friend to everyone. **Who can be friends with Jesus? Everyone can be friends with Jesus.**"

### Bible Story

Feeding 5000  
(Mark 6:31-44)

### Remember This

"Come and follow me,"  
Jesus said."  
Matthew 4:19, NIV

### Say This

Who can be friends  
with Jesus?  
Everyone can be friends  
with Jesus.

## Prayer

"God, thank You for Jesus. We know You sent Jesus to be our friend forever. We are so thankful that everyone can be friends with Jesus. You are awesome God, and we love You SO much. In Jesus' name, amen."