

TAKE 'N TALK

Lesson 8 • October 25, 2020

PSALM 23, JOHN 10:3-21,
LUKE 15:3-7

HEARTPRINT: GOD HAS MANY NAMES

The Heartprint is the main Bible concept or truth from each unit that we want to imprint upon your child's heart. Repeating this Heartprint often may seem redundant, but it will serve as a vital aid in teaching this truth to your preschooler.

Application Verse: We trust in the name of God (Psalm 20:7b).

Today we learned God is our Good Shepherd. Use the following ideas to involve your child in family time and learning opportunities, reinforcing simple biblical themes.

FAMILY TIME



Another one of God's names is *Good Shepherd*. We are God's sheep. As our Shepherd, He leads and guides us, takes care of our needs, and protects us. Share examples of how He has protected, led, or provided for you. Like a shepherd searches for his lost sheep, God searches for His lost sheep. Read Psalm 23 as a family. Sheep follow their shepherd. As God's sheep, we are to follow Him.



Play a game of "Follow the Shepherd" with your child. Tell your child that you are the shepherd and he or she is the sheep. He or she must follow your actions. After a little while, switch roles and let your child be the shepherd and you be the sheep. Remind your child a shepherd will always lead his sheep in the right direction and away from trouble.



Sing this song with your child to the tune of "Deep and Wide."

Good Shepherd

Good Shepherd

Our God has many, many names.

Good Shepherd

Good Shepherd

He cares for us in every way!



Pray with your child and thank God for being our Good Shepherd. Ask Him to help you always follow Him because He will lead you in the right ways. The following is a rhyme your child uses in class to settle down for prayer time:

Open and shut them, open and shut them (open and close fingers),

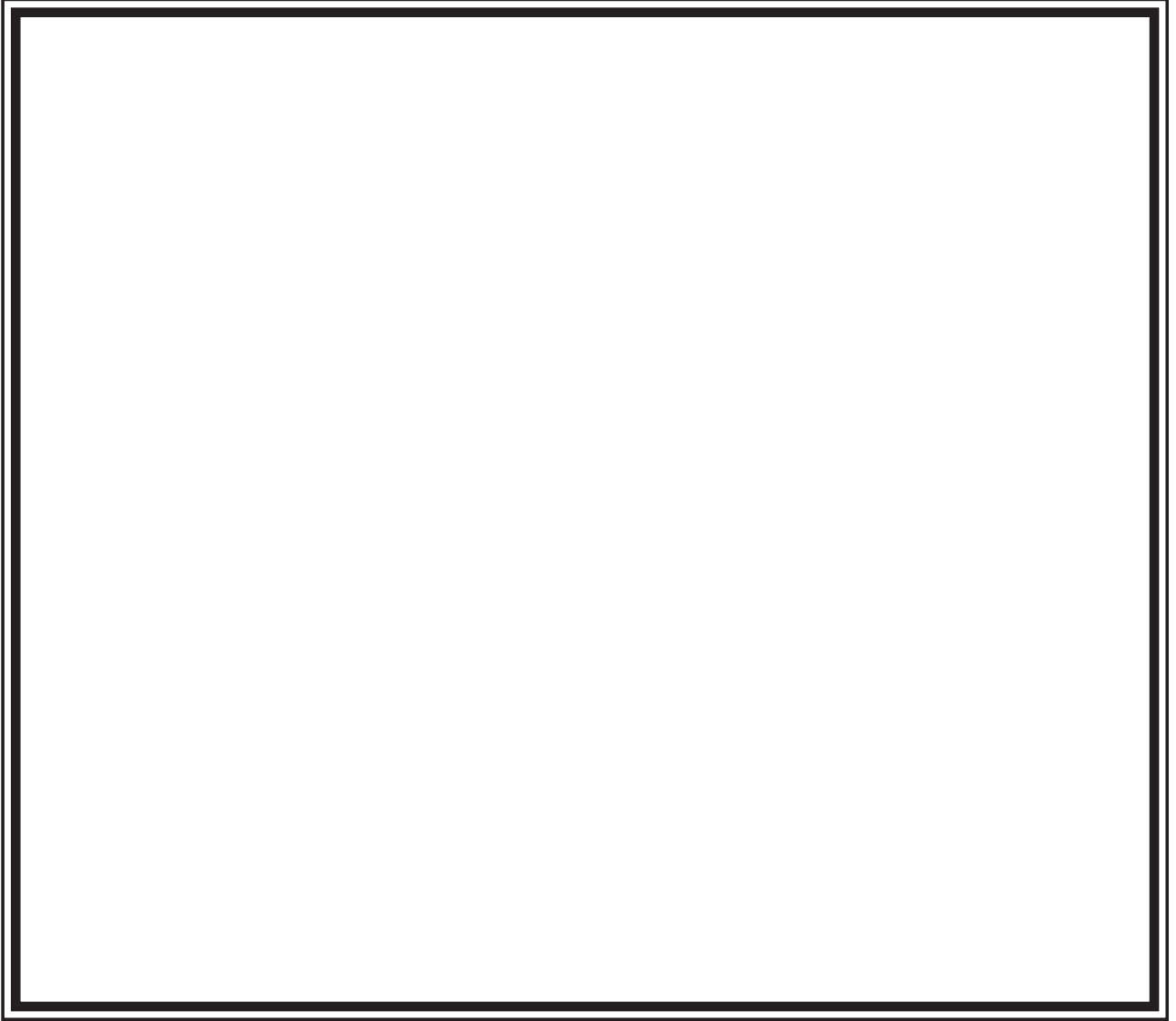
Give your hands a clap (clap hands).

Open and shut them, open and shut them (open and close fingers),

Put them in your lap (put your hands together in your lap).

Even at this age, children can participate and learn to be still during a short prayer time.

TEACHER/PARENT INSTRUCTIONS: Encourage the child to trace the words and draw a picture of a way God cares for him or her like a shepherd cares for his sheep. Remind him or her **God Has Many Names** and *Good Shepherd* is one of them.



and I am His sheep.

Good Shepherd

God is the