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With all this uncertainty and craziness surrounding us, it is our job as parents to reassure our kids of God's sovereignty. This is a little bible lesson plan to go along with the bird downloads on my website. Please modify this however you like, so it's best for your family. This is just an idea on how to remind our kids how God always loves and takes care of us.

The bible verse that this lesson is based off of is Matthew 6:26-34

Alright, lets start by reading our verse!

Matthew 6:26-34

26 Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 Which of you by worrying can add one [a] cubit to his [b] stature?

28 "So why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; 29 and yet I say to you that even Solomon in all his glory was not [c]arrayed like one of these. 30 Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith?

31 "Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

A few discussion Questions...

What are some of the birds that you see at your house?

What types of things do you think that the birds like to eat?

Have you ever seen a bird flying around in panic or worry, afraid they will not get fed that day?

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What kinds of colors has God decorated the birds around you? Describe some other unique qualities that he has used to make them beautiful.

Describe, or show with your hands how much more God loves you more than all those birds?

God loves you infinitely more than every sparrow, blue jay(one of my favorites), or even the tiny swallows. When things feel scary, or uncertain, we need to surround ourselves with truth.

Truth 1: God is so BIG. Bigger than anything we will ever face

Truth 2: God is with you ALWAYS! He will take care of your every need

Truth 3: God wants us to find our peace in Him, in the shelter of His wings.

After you have gone through this lesson, go to YOUTUBE and find the song "Like you Love me" by Tauren Wells. This song perfectly describes this bible verse! My boys and I love to dance to this song, so put on your dancing shoes and boogey with your babes for a few moments.

After your dance party, go ahead and start with your bird project. Download and print all that sheets, then cut and paste to create your own unique bird. Once your bird is assembled with all the parts you like, then decorate it as pretty as you can using markers, paints construction paper, glitter, whatever you want! You will notice I did not include tails or wings. This will be for you to imagine on your own. Feel free to create legs, hair, etc. of your own as well. Talk about all the different species of birds that God has made. He made them unique with their colors, feathers, stature and shape. Do some internet research to find some of the most interesting birds in the world. Talk God used his artistic touch to create all this beauty. Google how many bird species are in the world. Wow! God takes care of each one!! And he loves us way way more than them.

I hope you have a great time doing this project with your littles. Remember, the more that we can embed the truths of Christ's love in their hearts, the better we can weather seasons of difficulty.

Big Hug Katie

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