

Praise God

AIMS AND OUTCOMES

- To help children praise God.
- To listen to and use music/ words to join in with Psalm 150
- To be able to think about and say good things about God

This session has been adapted from Tiddlywinks Stories and Pictures Old Testament. By Maggie Barfield, published by Scripture Union. A copy is available to borrow from Pauline Burdett Pauline.burdett@truro.anglican.org

It is probably best to allow the children some play time before the activity. If you provide healthy snacks it may be best to time 'Tell the story' for when the children are all sitting quietly munching!

RESOURCES.

- Lots of musical instruments suitable for under 5's
- A simple picture of people playing instruments. (Such a picture can be found in the book on page 87 see below) a copy for each child.



- Crayons
- A bible
- A copy of the story for Tell the story.

Read Psalm 150: 6 from the CEV or Good News Bible.

Tell the story. Say:

This poem is in the Bible. It's all about praising God. Can you join in by pretending to play the different instruments?

God has made a wonderful world
 Shout praises to our amazing God (Hooray!)
 He has done so many things to help us
 Shout praises to our amazing God (Hooray!)
 Play the trumpet (Toot Toot!)



Play a harp (Twang Twang!)

Shake a tambourine (jingle, jingle) and dance

God has made our wonderful world.

Shout praise to our amazing God (Hooray!)

Play a guitar (strum, strum)

Play a flute (La-la-la)

Play the cymbals everybody (crash, crash)

God has made our wonderful world.

Shout praises to our amazing God (Hooray!)

Now give out the instruments and read the poem again, letting the children make lots of noise!

For the older and more able children in the group you might like to use the picture now.

- Look at the people in the picture. Can you tell what they're doing? All the people are praising God. That means they are saying good things about God.
- Choose one of the people. What do you think they are saying about God? Colour in the person and say the words.
- What good things do the children want to say? Say them now.

Draw the group together for a prayer.

You might want to say; Thank you God, you are And let the children fill in the blanks!