ACTIVITY | Spending Money

INSTRUCTIONS: Set up a play store with paper play money for the kids to pretend with. Add things like plastic play food, a cash register, and paper grocery bags.

When you play store, you can tell someone how much money they need to pay. **Did the person who owed a lot of money in our Bible story have to pay it back?** No, he didn't. The man forgave him.

Did the person who owed just a little bit of money have to pay it back? No, he didn't. The man forgave him, too.

Were the people happy the man forgave them? Yes, they were happy. I am happy God forgives me. story today.

TODDLER HACK: Try this with your toddlers. Add a bit of vanilla to some edible play dough for the kids to play with. Talk about how nice the dough smells, just like the perfume the woman used for Jesus!

ACTIVITY | Coin Rubbings

INSTRUCTIONS: Before the kids arrive, secure coins to the tabletop using double-sided tape or glue dots. Place a sheet of paper over the coins and show the kids how to use a crayon to rub over the paper to make coin rubbings. Supervise all coin play carefully.

You can make a picture that looks like these coins.

These little coins are money. Our Bible story is about how the people owed money, but the man said they didn't have to pay him back. The man forgave the people just like God forgives us.



ACTIVITY | Sweet Smells

INSTRUCTIONS: Before the kids arrive, put different perfumes onto cotton balls for the kids to smell.

This perfume smells sweet and nice. Which one do you like the best?

The woman in the story gave Jesus her favorite perfume to say thank you.

TODDLER HACK: Lightly spray a blanket with sweet smelling perfume (or even a deodorizer like Febreze) and invite the kids to snuggle and smell the blanket. Tell them about how the woman in the story showed that she was happy that Jesus forgave her by putting sweet smelling perfume on His feet.

