



WEEK 3

HACKS FOR TODDLERS



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HOW TO HACK THIS SERIES FOR TODDLERS

In children's ministry, you've got a wide range of ages you need to engage every week, but toddlers tend to get overlooked. But you know your toddlers need more than just babysitting, so here are a few adjustments you can make to this week in order to keep your toddlers more engaged.

ACTIVITY | Balloon Volley

Blow bubbles for toddlers to catch instead of volleying a balloon. Encourage them to catch and pop the bubbles before they land on the ground.

ACTIVITY | Blessings Relay Race

Instead of making it a relay race, have the kids concentrate on taking out a ping pong ball with a spoon and transferring it carefully from one bucket to another.

ACTIVITY | Count Your Blessings

Help kids think of someone/something they're thankful for and write it on heart-shaped cutouts.

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