



IDEAS IN

# ChildhoodMinistry

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## Christmas Toast



The Big Idea

**Preschoolers** enjoy flavored toast anytime during the year, but at Christmastime they call it Christmas toast. **Children** can paint the Bible verse and eat away each word as they repeat the verse and work to memorize it. When you plan this activity for a session, choose a safe place for the electric broiler. Plan hand-washing time before preparing and eating the toast. Post an allergy notice near the door about food that is eaten during a session.



### Supplies for Flavored Toast:

- bread
  - butter or margarine, plastic knife
  - flavored gelatin (Jell-O®) (in salt shaker-type container)
- For Christmas toast, consider using cranberry, strawberry, and lime for red and green colors.
- small electric broiler or toaster oven, oven mitt
  - small paper plates, napkins



Things to Gather

1. Spread the butter or margarine on a slice of bread.
2. Sprinkle flavored gelatin (Jell-O®) on buttered bread.
3. Toast bread in broiler or toaster oven.
4. Use oven mitt to remove tray.
5. Cut bread into pieces before serving.
6. Place the Christmas toast on small paper plates. Consider using Christmas napkins.
7. Remind preschoolers to wash hands before eating.

### Teaching Tips:

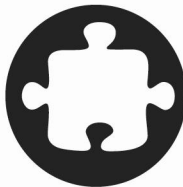
- Pause to thank God for food to eat. Say: "God gives food to us (Psalm 136:25)."
- Listen as boys and girls talk about eating the toast.

### Outreach Idea:

- Send home the recipe for Christmas toast. Include a note to parents that other flavors of Jell-O® may be used.
- Imagine preschoolers eating flavored toast at home and talking about happy times in their room at church.

### Children can paint the memory verse:

Mix color with small amount of milk and paint words on the dry toast. Use new paintbrushes to be sure they are clean.



Put it Together

