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# Lesson Plan 1 (Meant for 1 week) WHO IS JESUS?

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**Objective** This lesson aims to introduce Jesus as the son of God, given to us by God for the salvation of the world. That he is the only way to God.

#### **Key Verses**

Isaiah 9:6 - Main teaching. John 3:16 - Reference. John 14:6 I am the way truth and life.

#### Memory Verse - John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave his only beloved son, that whosoever believes him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

# **Hook** (you can also share at the end of the lesson as a riddle)

Give them the Damsel riddle to solve. A king loved a poor Damsel from an ordinary village, and wanted to marry her, but don't know how to approach her; Because he knows that she will be afraid of the mighty king and won't open up to him because she is dirty and uneducated. What will the king do to get her?

The answer is: The King will take off his royal garments and crown, leave his kingdom and go to Damsel's village and live as a commoner. This way, he will make friends with damsel, court her, make her fall in love with him and marry her. Then he will later take damsel to his kingdom to dwell with her. That's what Jesus did for us. He left his abode and came to dwell with ordinary people in a fallen world, so he could make us his.

#### BOOK.

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The interpretation/explanation of the passage. What does this passage mean? How does this passage apply to my life?

# Book-Isaiah 9:6

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called wonderful counselor, mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of peace.

# LOOK

God spoke through prophet Isaiah about Jesus, because he was the dearly and long-awaited messiah/son of God to redeem his people. Israel prayed, longed and wished to see him. (like we know and see him today)
Explain that Jesus, being God, grew up like them.
He is the Son of God, but also God in the triune.
Explain the 4 names of Christ:

Prince of peace- Jesus is filled with so much peace. And he extends peace to those who love, obey and trust him. John14:27. (My peace I give to you..)

Mighty God- Jesus is did many mighty deeds and miracles on earth. (Give examples)

Eternal father- He loves us with as or with attributes of a father. Saves us, provides, helps, love etc.

Wonderful counselor- Gives us counsel through his words/teaching and his spirit. Give Examples Explain how the 4 names are his characters.

What is my response to this passage of Scripture? How should my life change according to what this passage teaches me? What are the practical things I can do throughout the week to make this true in my life?

#### The concept of salvation

Why was Jesus given to us? Explain how We were sinners in need of a savior.

Why Jesus needed to grow up like us. (so he could know how we feel.

Make sure they understand well so it can be easier to solve the riddle.

# TOOK

We have a savior and friend in Jesus. As a class, memorize John 3:16 NIV. Pray according to the 4 names of Jesus. Explain the purpose of Christmas. What does God want us to do? Believe In his son Jesus.

Pray: Give an alter call for children to receive Jesus as their lord and savior.

#### Lead the children in prayer.

Thank God for giving his precious son to us. Let them close eyes and confess with hands in their chest, that Jesus you are my:

My Eternal father, Mighty God, My wonderful counselor My prince of Peace.

Parent Question: To ask their parents that who is Jesus to them?
Have they received him?

Provide notebooks to children who can read and write.

# Lesson Plan. GOD SPEAKS TO US

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**Objective** This lesson will teach the kids that we worship the God who is able to speak to us, and when He speaks, we need to obey.

#### **Key Verses**

Exodus 3:1-4:27—Main Teaching Passage Psalm 115:3-5

#### Memory Verse - John 10:27

"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me."

#### Hook

Tell the class that you are going to teach the lesson without using any words. Make wild hand gestures, or perhaps act the story of the burning bush. Ask the students if they understand what you are trying to tell them.

The best way to tell something to someone is to speak to them. When you want to teach the class, you talk to them. You don't act your lesson out. What about when God wants to tell us something? Can He speak to us? Today and this week, we are going to find out.

What does the Bible say? This is where we will read a passage or series of passages that teach on the subject of the day.

# BOOK

At this point in his life, Moses had been through a lot. He was raised in Pharaoh's palace, ran away from Egypt after killing an Egyptian, and lived with his wife and father-in-law for forty years as a shepherd. One day, as he was taking care of the flock, Moses came to a mountain where he noticed a strange sight. There was a bush on fire, but the bush was not burning up. Moses went to investigate.

As Moses drew near, the Lord called from the bush, "Moses, Moses!" Moses responded, "Here I am," and the Lord told him to take off his shoes because this was holy ground. The Lord then revealed Himself to Moses, saying that He was the God of Moses' ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He had heard the cry of His people in Egypt and He was going to do something about it. He was going to use Moses to deliver the Israelites out of Egypt and lead them to the Promised Land. When Moses heard this, he had all sorts of questions. How was he going to do this? Who was this God who was talking to him? What if the Israelites didn't believe him? What about his speech problem? Yet to each of these questions, God had an answer. He would go with Moses, give him the words to say, and confirm his words with miracles. The Lord showed Moses how He would turn his rod into a snake and then back into a rod, and cover his hand with leprosy and then take it away, all to prove that it was the Lord who sent him. After God answered all of his questions, finally Moses asked the Lord just to send someone else. At this, the Lord became angry, and He told Moses to take his brother Aaron. Together, they would go and set God's people free from Egypt because the Lord was with them.

The interpretation/explanation of the passage. What does this passage mean? How does this passage apply to my life?

# LOOK

Most of us who have read the Bible or heard the stories know some of the great things God has done. You've been taught that God has created everything in our world. You probably know the stories of great miracles like God parting the Red Sea. No doubt you've heard about Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection. You may know all of these amazing things God has done in the past, but perhaps you're wondering, "How do I know that God is real today? How can I experience Him in my life?" This week, we will see that one way we know He is real is because He speaks to us.

The Bible teaches us that God is the God who speaks to His people. As we saw in our story today, that was true back in ancient times. Moses was a real person who really heard God speak to Him. But God didn't just speak to His people back in old times. He still speaks to us today! He has things He wants to say to us, and He is able to communicate with us. Now the way He speaks to us today is different than how He did it back then. Most of us will never hear His voice in a miraculous burning bush, but this week we are going to see that there are still many ways He can speak to us. He uses other people, His Word, His Holy Spirit, and even His Son. It doesn't matter where we are, what language we speak, or who we are with, God is able to speak to us.

The fact that God can speak to us is one of the things that makes Him different from all false gods and religions. In Psalm 115:3-5 (as well as several other places), the Bible contrasts God with idols, pointing out that they have mouths but cannot speak. No false god can speak to you, because they are not real! God is the true and living God, and because of that, He can speak to us. Now if God can speak to us, that means we have a responsibility. We need to listen to Him and obey what He says. In our story today, God didn't just come to say hi to Moses. He gave Him a command: to go and bring the Israelites out of Egypt. At first, Moses wasn't really

obedient. He was afraid, made excuses, and even asked the Lord to send someone else. But eventually he obeyed, and the rest of the story of Exodus is about how God used Moses to miraculously rescue the Israelites from slavery. All of that only happened because Moses obeyed when God spoke to him. This week, we will look at the many different ways that God speaks to us and see that we must obey His voice too.

What is my response to this passage of Scripture? How should my life change according to what this passage teaches me? What are the practical things I can do throughout the week to make this true in my life?

# TOOK

As a class, memorize John 10:27. Review the events of the story with the class. Ask them

to name different ways God spoke to His people in the Bible. How can He talk to us today?

**Pray:** Thank the Lord for speaking to us. Ask Him to help us to obey Him when He speaks to us.

**Parent Question:** What ways can God speak to us today?

To Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan.

# God speaks to us through people.

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**Objective** This lesson will show the students how God spoke in the Old Testament through prophets, and today He still uses people to speak to us.

#### **Key Verses**

2 Kings 5:1-19—Main Teaching Passage Ephesians 6:1-3

Memory Verse - Proverbs 1:8

"My son, hear the instruction of your father, And do not forsake the law of your mother."

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse, John 10:27 Have a student come up to the board. Whisper a message in their ear and have them say it or write it on the board. Then ask the class, "Whose message was this? Mine or the students?" In the example, the student spoke the message, but the message came from you. This is what prophets did in the Old Testament. They heard messages from the Lord and spoke them to the

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people. We will see an example of this in today's story.

### BOOK

Today's story introduces us to a man named Naaman, a general in the Syrian army. Naaman was a great commander, but he had leprosy, a terrible skin disease that could not be cured. One of his servants, an Israelite woman, told Naaman that in Israel there was a prophet who could heal him, and so Naaman asked the king of Israel for permission to see this prophet. The king was worried because Syria and Israel were fighting at that time, but the prophet, Elisha, said he wanted Naaman to come so that he could prove God's power to him. When Naaman arrived at Elisha's house, Elisha sent a messenger to him with a word he had received from the Lord: Naaman was to go down to the Jordan River and wash himself seven times. At first, Naaman was angry at this message. He was expecting Elisha to come out himself, wave his hand over him, and heal him, but that was not what the Lord said. Besides, there were plenty of rivers in Syria where he could wash himself. But Naaman's servants pointed out that Naaman would have done much harder things to heal himself if that's what Elisha said, and he should try listening. So Naaman went down to the Jordan and dipped himself in seven times, and he was completely healed.

When Naaman saw what had happened, he returned to Elisha, proclaiming that he now knew that Elisha's God was the one true God. Naaman offered him great gifts, but Elisha refused. Then after vowing never to worship any god but the Lord, Naaman left and returned to his country.

# LOOK

The Old Testament is filled with prophets. Over a quarter of the Old Testament was written by them, and they appear throughout the history of Israel. There are

famous ones like Daniel, Elijah, and Jonah, and less wellknown ones like Amos and Habakkuk. Some were advisors to the king, others preachers to the people, farmers, and a number of other jobs. But who were these men and women?

Prophets were servants of the Lord who spoke messages from God to a person or group of people. Many times, they would hear God speak directly to them, and they would tell the people what God said. The Lord used prophets to encourage His people, tell them what to do, correct them when they were sinning, and even predict future events. Sometimes the people listened to them. Unfortunately, however, most of the time the Israelites ignored the words of the prophets. When they did that, they were not disobeying the words of a man. They were disobeying God Himself and would face consequences.

Today's story is a great example of what prophets did. Elisha told Naaman to wash in the Jordan because the Lord told him to say that. He didn't come up with this message on his own, it was the Lord's message. When Naaman heard this message, he had to choose either to obey or reject the message. He chose obedience, and as a result he was healed, because when he obeyed Elisha, he was really obeying the Lord. Prophets were a way God would speak to people in the Old Testament. Today, God still uses people to speak to us. We don't often run into prophets like Elisha, who hear the Lord's voice directly and speak it to us, but God still uses people to speak to others. The primary example of this for kids is our parents (and grandparents, guardians, etc.) In Ephesians 6:1-3, children are told to obey their parents in the Lord. We should do this first of all because God has given us our parents to speak wisdom to us, and obeying or disobeying them is really **obeying or disobeying God**, but also because God promises life and blessing to those who do so. This is true of all of our parents and grandparents, but especially those who are believers. God also uses pastors and Sunday School teachers to speak to us. When they study God's Word to teach it to you, they are

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listening to the Lord's voice in Scripture and speaking those things to you. God can use all kinds of people to speak to us. When he does, it's important for us to respond in obedience.

### TOOK

As a class, memorize Proverbs 1:8.

Review the lesson by asking the class how God spoke to Naaman. Ask what a prophet is. Does God till speak to us through people today? How?

**Pray:** Thank the Lord for giving us parents, pastors, teachers, and others to speak His Words to us. Ask Him to help us be obedient to Him when He uses others to speak to us.

**Parent Question:** How does God use people to speak to us today?

To Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan.

# God speaks to us through his Word

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**Objective** This lesson will teach the kids that God speaks to us through the Bible, His written Word. Whenever we read the Bible, it is like God Himself is there speaking to us.

#### **Key Verses**

2 Chronicles 34—Main Teaching Passage 2 Kings 22:1-23:25 (Parallel Passage) Psalm 119:11, 105

Memory Verse - 2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV) "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,"

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse, Proverbs 1:8. Have candy in your pocket or somewhere that will be impossible to find. Tell the kids there is candy hidden in the room and they have until the count of 10 to find it. Have them sit back down in their seats. Tell them they can keep looking for the candy their way, or they can follow the instructions written in a sealed envelope that will be provided. The instructions in the envelope will

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simply say to go to you and ask for a piece of candy.

God didn't leave us to figure life out on our own. He has told us everything we need to know through the Bible. something? Can He speak to us? Today and this week, we are going to find out.

### BOOK

Josiah became king of Judah at only eight years old. Both his grand-father and his father were wicked kings who had forsaken God to worship idols, but Josiah desired to follow after God, like King David. Josiah began to destroy all the idols and altars to false gods that had been set up throughout the land, grinding them into powder and throwing them away. He also removed idols from the temple and collected money to repair it so people could go and worship the true and living God.

While Shaphan, the king's secretary, was overseeing the repairs of the temple, Hilkiah the high priest found the "Book of the Law of the LORD." God's Word had been cast aside and forgotten, but now it was found! Shaphan brought God's Word to King Josiah and read it to him. When King Josiah heard God's Word, he tore his clothing and wept. He knew he and his people had disobeyed what God had commanded. He learned that God would judge the people of Judah because they had not obeyed God's Word and had worshipped other gods. Josiah sent out a message to all the men of Judah and all the people living in Jerusalem to come to the temple so he could read God's Word from the newly found Bible for all to hear. After reading God's Word to all the people, King Josiah proclaimed before the Lord that he would follow after God, keep His commandments with all of his heart and soul, and to do all the things spoken of in God's Word. All of the people who heard God's Word took a stand with King Josiah to obey God's Word.

The interpretation/explanation of the passage. What does this passage mean? How does this passage apply to my life?

# LOOK

When King Josiah heard God's Word read after it had been found in the temple, his heart was broken. King Josiah took God's written Word seriously. He treated the Bible as if it was God Himself speaking to him, telling him that Judah would be destroyed because the people had turned away from the true and living God to worship false gods. Through the Bible, God speaks to us, teaching us who He is and telling us how we should live and follow Him. When we disobey God's Word, we disobey God. That is called sin.

The Bible not only teaches us what disobedience looks like, but also what it looks like to love God and to live for Him. Like King Josiah there may be things we need to stop doing, like making fun of others or disobeying our parents, but there are also things we can add to our lives, like honoring our parents, encouraging others, or speaking kindly to one another. God's Word equips us to love God and love each other.

Through the Bible, God speaks to us about how He provided a way for us to turn from our sin and live in obedience. We can hide God's Word in our hearts to keep us from sin (Psalm 119:11). This is how King Josiah responded when Shaphan read God's Word to him. As he heard the words of the Bible read to him (teaching) and heard what the people of Judah had done wrong (rebuking), he was shown how to fix that wrong (correcting) and how to live the right way before God (2 Timothy 3:16). Not only did he command the people to turn away from their wickedness, but he and the people of Judah renewed their covenant to follow, worship, and love the God of the Bible. In this way King Josiah let God's Word direct his actions, as a lamp to his feet and a light to his path (Psalm 119:105).

Take a moment and share with the kids a time in your life when you took God's Word seriously. What changes did you make in your life? In what ways did you begin to follow God that were different than before? Did these changes happen all at once, or did they take time?

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Explain that God's Word is just as important for you as for the kids. You will never out-grow your need to read and follow God's Word.

### TOOK

As a class, memorize 2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV). Review the lesson by asking what was found in the temple that had been forgotten. How did King Josiah respond to/what did he do after hearing God's Word? Ask the class in what ways they have responded to the Bible.

**Pray:** Thank God for giving us His written Word: the Bible. Pray for God to speak to us every time we read His Word. Pray for God's help to love God and His Word, and to walk in obedience like King Josiah.

**Parent Question:** What was found in the temple that had been forgotten? What did King Josiah do that showed he took God's Word seriously?

Remind to Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan.

# God speaks to us through holy spirit.

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#### **Objective**

This lesson will show the class how God gives us the Holy Spirit to guide us in how we live our lives as believers.

#### **Key Verses**

Acts 13:1-3; 16:6-15—Main Teaching Passages John 14:26; 15:26; 16:7-14

#### Memory Verse - John 14:26

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you."

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse, 2 Timothy 3:16.

Ask the students if they have ever been in a situation when they didn't know what the right thing to do was. Share of a time when this happened in your own life. Ask how they decided what to do.

In life we may face many confusing choices and situations. While we learned this week that God may show us what to do through other people or the Bible, sometimes He uses the Holy Spirit to speak to us, as we will learn today..

What does the Bible say? This is where we will read a passage or series of passages that teach on the subject of the day.

# BOOK

Today we are going to look at two short stories that show us how the Lord speaks to us through the Holy Spirit. First, in Acts 13:1-3 we see that there were five men leading a church in a town called Antioch. As these men fasted and prayed, the Holy Spirit said to separate two of them, Barnabas and Saul (who is also known as Paul), for a mission He had for them. The other three men prayed over them and sent Paul and Barnabas as missionaries.

In Acts 16:5-16, we read that several years later, Paul was still serving the Lord as a missionary, this time with a man named Silas. Paul wanted to go to a number of different places in a land called Asia (modern-day Turkey), but the Holy Spirit prevented him and his companions from going. Paul then tried to go to a few other cities, but the Holy Spirit didn't let them go there either. Finally, one night Paul had a vision of a man from a place called Macedonia asking him for help. Paul knew this was the Lord guiding him and immediately they left for Philippi, the main city in Macedonia.

While in Philippi, on the Sabbath Paul went to the riverside, where he knew that people prayed. There he met not the man from his vision, but a woman named Lydia, a woman who worshipped God but did not know about Jesus. Paul preached to her and her family, and they believed and were baptized. The Holy Spirit knew that Paul needed to go to Philippi so that this woman could hear about Jesus and believe. The Lord worked through Paul in other ways in Philippi as well, which is recorded in Acts 16:16-40 (although we will not be studying that passage today)

The interpretation/explanation of the passage. What does this passage mean? How does this passage apply to my life?

# LOOK

We have already learned this week that God speaks to us through other people and through His Word. The Bible and godly wisdom from other people can teach us right from wrong and tell us a lot about how we are supposed to live. However, sometimes we find ourselves in situations where we don't know what to do, either because we can't remember or because the Bible doesn't say exactly what to do in that situation. The good news is that God has a solution for this problem: He speaks to us through the Holy Spirit.

Before the end of Jesus' earthly ministry, He promised to send His disciples the Holy Spirit to help them follow Him on earth (John 14:16-18). Jesus told them that the Holy Spirit would teach them and remind them of what Jesus said (John 14:26), testify about Jesus (John 15:26), convict the world (John 16:7-11), and guide them in all truth (John 16:12-14). Even though Jesus wouldn't be there to guide them anymore, the Holy Spirit would help them know what they needed to do.

The Holy Spirit's job is to point people's hearts toward Jesus. He convicts unbelievers of sin and points to their need for Jesus as Savior. In the lives of believers, He shows us what Jesus wants us to do, tells us how He wants us to live, and convicts us when what we're doing is wrong.

In today's passages, we see the Holy Spirit guiding Paul and his friends. He is the one who revealed that Paul and Barnabas that they needed to go on a missionary journey. Later on, He told Paul exactly where to go (and not to go). Paul would never have known where to go on his own, and the Scriptures didn't tell him exactly where to go, but God spoke to him through the Holy Spirit, and because Paul obeyed the Spirit, Lydia (and many other people) became a Christian.

In our lives, we may face situations where we don't know what to do. Perhaps you are making a decision that the Bible doesn't have much to say about, or you can't remember what it says. God can still speak to you through

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the Holy Spirit. The Spirit helps you to know right from wrong and see what God wants you to do. If you aren't sure what the right thing to do is, or you are facing a decision and don't know what God wants, pray and ask Him to speak to you through the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will show you what's right.

# TOOK

As a class, memorize John 14:26.

Review the lesson by asking the class how God spoke to Paul through the Holy Spirit. How does the Holy Spirit speak to us today?

**Pray:** Thank the Lord for giving us His Holy Spirit. Ask Him to use the Spirit to speak to us when we don't know what we should do.

Parent Question: How does the Holy Spirit help us?

To Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan. GOD SPEAKS TO US through his son

#### **Objective**

This lesson will show that the ultimate way that God has spoken to us is through His Son Jesus Christ, and if we listen and believe, we will be given eternal life.

#### **Key Verses**

John 3:1-21—Main Teaching Passage John 12:49 Romans 10:9

#### Memory Verse - John 3:36

"He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse, John 14:26. In your room you will find a picture of a parachute, a life jacket, and the cross. Show them to the kids and them tell them they have fallen out of a plane. Which one do they need to save them? Repeat with asking which saves when drowning. Finally, hold up the cross and ask what this saves us from.

Be certain to give a good definition of sin. "Sin is everything we think, say, or do that displeases God."

### BOOK

In John 3, one of the Pharisees, Nicodemus, went to Jesus to ask Him some questions. Nicodemus was not trying to trick or trap Jesus like so many of the other Pharisees, but rather went honestly. He made the statement that he knew that Jesus was sent from God, because no one could do the signs and wonders that Jesus was doing. Jesus, however, didn't talk at all about the things that He had done. Instead, He talked to Nicodemus about his need to born again.

Three times Jesus looked at Nicodemus and said, "Truly, truly, I say to you..." This shows us that the words that Jesus spoke can be trusted and should be listened to. Jesus spoke, and He spoke truthfully, and as Nicodemus stated, He spoke from God.

Jesus told Nicodemus that if he wanted to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, he must be born again, not in the same way that a baby is born, in an earthly way, but to be reborn in the Spirit, in a heavenly way. When Nicodemus struggled to understand this, Jesus told him that He was speaking of things that He had seen, witnessed, and knew. He had descended from Heaven and had come to be lifted up so that anyone who believes in Him can have eternal life.

It is here that Jesus speaks one of the cornerstone truths of the Bible, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3 tells us that Jesus was sent into the world by God to speak to those who were perishing, and that if they believe in the message that He brought from Heaven, they will be saved and have life eternal.

# LOOK

Over the course of this week, we have looked at several different ways that God speaks to us. We have seen that God speaks to us through people (like the prophets, our parents, and even our Sunday School teachers), through His Word (the Bible), and through the Holy Spirit. Today we are looking at how God spoke to us in a very special way, through His Son Jesus Christ.

In John 12:49, Jesus said, "For I have not spoken on my own, but the Father who sent me has himself given me a commandment about what to say and what to speak" (NRSV). Jesus tells us that every word that He spoke on Earth, every word that we read in that Bible that came out of His mouth, was given to Him to speak by His Father. When Jesus said, "Love your neighbor as yourself," it was God the Father speaking through Jesus. Every word that Jesus said can be trusted and believed. In fact when Jesus was talking to Nicodemus, He was saying things that were so incredible that he actually told Nicodemus three times, "truly, truly." Jesus

did this to show Nicodemus that He really meant what He said, and that He really wanted to Nicodemus to believe Him.

What were these words that were so fantastic, so outrageous? Jesus said that there was a way that we could be forgiven of our sin and spend eternity with God in Heaven. Jesus told Nicodemus, and He says to us today, that there is a way that we can enter into God's Kingdom called Heaven. We don't have to be alone, we don't have to be far away from God. We can be with Him forever by believing in Jesus Christ. Jesus said that anyone who believes what He said, anyone who trusts in the Son of God, will have eternal life. Jesus made a way for all of us to be saved and be with Him forever. Jesus didn't come into the world to point his finger and look down on us because we have done the wrong thing. He came to earth so that all the people of the world could be saved.

The words that Jesus spoke weren't just for Nicodemus, they were for you. Jesus wants you to be saved, because Jesus wants to be with you! If you ask Jesus to forgive you for your sins, and ask Him to be the King over your life, not only will you get to spend eternity in Heaven, but Jesus will be with you today. Jesus will help you and you guide you through every choice and decision that you make. He wants you to be saved. Are you ready to listen to Him? Are you ready to trust Him? Are you ready to believe in Him?

# TOOK

As a class, memorize John 3:36.

Friday is our Gospel presentation day. Please spend time making sure that every child in your room clearly hears that Jesus lived a sinless life, was crucified according to the Scriptures, was buried and rose again, according to the Scriptures. Present the kids with an opportunity to respond in faith, remembering that, "If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." **Pray:** Pray with the students who desire to commit their lives to Jesus. Finish with a time of prayer for any requests that the children might have.

**Parent Question:** Jesus said we could be born again. Are you born again? What does it mean to be born again? Remind to Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan. Obeying the voice of God

Objective This lesson will teach the kids that when God speaks to us (even through people), we have to obey. Because he may be helping us in ways we don't know.

#### **Key Verses**

1 Samuel 15:1-29—Main Teaching Passage Noah builds the ark (reference Passage)

Memory Verse – 1 Samuel 15:22 (NIV) "Obedience is better than sacrifice,"

#### Hook

Do we all like shortcuts? Obeying God is short cut to a life of blessings.

# BOOK

Read from the bible.

The story of Saul disobeying God's command given through Samuel.

Read Noah's story too. (Next day)

# LOOK

Simply explain the word from the two stories. One for each day.

Show students when God speaks it's as easy as our day to day living. Not only subjected in the bible days.

# TOOK

As a class, memorize 1 Samuel 15: (NIV).

Review the lesson by asking what would they do if the found gold and a lot of money, sweets and good yummy food?

What can they do to not desire things that are beautiful? What did God respond to Saul disobedience.

Why didn't God trust Saul anymore?

Ask the class in what ways they have responded to instructions of God

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**Pray:** Thank God for speaking to us and thanks you for helping us by giving us instructions which help us in every area of our life.

Holy spirit we ask that you would give us wisdom and strengthen us to obey the voice of God when he speaks to us.

#### Take Prayer requests (time to time)

Pray that we would walk in obedience like Samuel and Noah did with you.

**Parent Question:** What did Saul and his soldiers take for themselves? What did people tell Noah when he was building the ark? Whom did he save by building the ark? Remind to Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan.

# When God tells us to do something.

Objective This lesson will teach the kids that when God speaks to us, he doesn't make a mistake. We are not too young to obey the voice of God. It's okay to doubt, but not for a long time.

#### **Key Verses**

Jeremiah 1. Main Teaching Passage Judges 6:11-27 (Parallel Passage)

#### Memory Verse – Jeremiah 1:7 (NIV)

"Do not say I am youth, for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and whatever I command you, You shall speak."

OR Timothy 4:12 – let no one despise your youth, but be an example to believers.

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse. Ask them to do something bold Infront of people

#### BOOK

Read and explain to them Jeremiah 1 Judges 6:11-18, or up to 27

# LOOK

How and why Jeremiah and Gideon doubted when God called them.

When God calls us, he has already done all the mathematics and has his perfect plan already laid out on how we are going to do.

# TOOK

It is normal to doubt and fear. Talk about how God foreknew us and called us. Since in our mamas' wombs. How we are supposed to partner with our parents/guardians who love us, to help us. But remember, they are human. Even they can laugh and discourage us.

When God calls us, he gives us everything we need to do his will.

When God tells us to do something, he loves to go step by step with us. He LOVES the journey. He loves to see little plans start and become very big one day. When he also asks us to do something, he gives help and provision. But it doesn't come up in a floods. No he gives enough grace and provision for each day at a time. So just start obeying God. (my grace is sufficient) Because when you START doing that work, the help increases day after day.

**Pray:** Thank God for speaking to us and calling us to be part of something big.

Holy spirit we ask that you would help us take small steps to do God's will. As we obey the voice of God.

**Parent Question:** Ask their parents if they know what they are supposed to do here on earth.

Together with parents ask God what do you want me to do here on earth?

Ask your family, what are my talents are and write down and come share with the class next time.

Remind them to write all in their journals.

# Lesson Plan. Focusing on Jesus.

Objective This lesson means to show the importance of faith, and that we are meant to live dependent on Jesus with everything that we try to do, and on difficult times. We can't do everything on our own. We function best with Jesus.

#### **Key Verses**

Matthew 14:22-33—Main Teaching Passage Story of Jesus walking on water.

Memory Verse – Matthew 14:31 (NIV) "O you of little faith, why do you doubt?"

#### Hook

Play would you rather?
Balance walk.
Talk about strangest Jesus's miracle.

# **BOOK**

Read passage from the bible. Matthew 14:22-33

# LOOK

Explain the story and lessons we get from it.

### TOOK

What does to focus on Jesus look like?

- 1. Praying
- 2. Reading his word
- 3. Doing what he asks of us.

#### Pray:

Pray that we would be reminded that Jesus cares. That when we can't do anything about our situation, Jesus can do everything about it. Ask and pray for prayer requests.

**Parent Question:** Lift up something to the lord, you and your family. Or on behalf of your family.

Remind to Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan. Respecting authority.

**Objective** This lesson will teach the kids that it's important that we respect any authority that God placed above us. Because its God ordained. Even if the leaders do a poor job of leadership sometimes.

#### **Key Verses**

1 Samuel 15:1-29—Main Teaching Passage Genesis 6:9 – onwards. Read about Noah builds the ark (as a Parallel Passage)

#### Memory Verse – 1 Samuel 24:13 (NIV)

"Wickedness proceeds from the wicked." OR Give Caeser what belongs to Caeser. Mathew 22:21 (explain)

#### Hook

Do something to someone quietly to see if they can feel it. (compose a game according to the story)

# BOOK

Read from the bible. 1 Samuel 24.

# LOOK

David doesn't kill Saul, but cut a piece of his cloth while asleep as part of evidence. To show his heart of love and

respect to him as the king of Israel, even though he was evil to him.

He respected him because God chose him.

# TOOK

As children of God, we should respect our leaders Even if the leaders aren't good; because God put them. We should also be careful how we choose leaders. Even at school.

**Pray:** Take time to pray for our leaders. Pray for the coming election. Ask and pray for prayer requests.

#### **Parent Question:**

Who is a good leader according to their parent? Remind to Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan. THE 10 COMMANDMENTS.

**Objective** This lesson will teach the kids What are the 10 commandments that guide us not to sin, and why God gave them to us.

#### **Key Verses**

Exodus 20:1-17—Main Teaching Passage

#### Memory Verse - (NIV)

I have hidden your word in my heart so that I may not sin against you. Psalm 119:11

#### Hook

You can invent and play any game that has rules. And talk about why rules are important.

# **BOOK**

Read from the bible. (Exodus 20:1-17) According to the NIV.

Read slowly at is in the bible (so they can hear and grasp), but try to bullet the commandments and less of the explanation Given in the scripture, so as to not exhaust kids.

# LOOK

Explain each of the ten commandments. What each commandment means in a simplified way.

Commandment 1: put God first

- 2 Do not make fake Gods. (anything you love more that God is/will be an IDOL to you)
- 3 Respect God's name
- 4 Respect God's Day of rest and
- 5 Respect your parents
- 6 Do not kill people- human life is sacred.
- 7 Respect marriage promises
- 8 Do not steal-rather ask. Save money to get what you like.
- 9 Do not lie and take your words serious.
- 10 Do not be jealous- control your emotions

# TOOK (2<sup>nd</sup> day)

The 10 commandments were given to us, for us. How does each commandment help US? Example:

Commandment 2: God is not found in the things we see. The sky, gold or people. God is found and lives inside of us. Benefit: God will keep us safe as his people from the enemy.

Commandment 10: Do not covet your neighbors things.it leads to jealousy. when your jealous, you're not
thankful. When we are thankful, God will increase us!
Commandment 6: Do not kill.- Every life is sacred and
belongs to God.

Commandment 7: What do people promise each other when they marry? we will be happier than other people and God will bless us with that one person.

Commandment 3: swearing is not good. when you swear in God's name, is like joking GOD your father. Let your yes be yes and no be no. even if friends push you. When you say yes or no, is enough.

Commandment 4: God himself rested on the 7<sup>th</sup> day. When resting, it is easier to worship God and have communion with other believers and grow closer to God. Work and school take 6 days. 1 day should be fully for God. That's how big God is in our lives. One day should be special for him. We also get energy for the 6 days.

Commandment 9: when we always speak truth, people will trust us and take us more seriously. People will give us big opportunity and jobs because they can trust everything we say.

Pray: That the lord would help them keep his laws in their hearts.

**Parent Question:** 

Why do you think God gave us the 10 commandments? Share the reasons.

Remind to Visit their journals.

# Lesson Plan. Consequences of sin (to us.)

Objective This lesson will teach the kids that sin does not only harm our relationship with God, but also our own lives.

# Key Verses

Luke 22—Main Teaching Passage Jesus' betrayal by Judah.

# Memory Verse -

The wages of sin are death. Romans 6:23 Psalm 119: 11

#### Hook

Ask what is sin.
Anything that does not please God is sin.

# BOOK

Read Judah's story from the bible, until he hung himself.

# LOOK

Explain how sin affected Judas heart. That he even ended up killing himself.

## TOOK

When we sin, we end up hating ourself like Judah did and killed himself.

Through judas we see the importance of even forgiving ourselves. For breaking our own promises & sinning.

Introduce them to self-forgiving.

#### **Pray: For repentance.**

#### Introduce them to Psalm 51'

What made David write it- the story of taking Uriah's wife.

#### **Parent Question:**

In what ways does sin harm us?

## Lesson Plan.

## Consequences of sin- to us and God.

Objective This lesson will teach the kids that sin harms our relationship with God, our heavenly father.

#### Key Verses

Isaiah 59:1-2. — Main Teaching Passage

#### Memory Verse

I have hidden your word in my heart that I may not sin against you. Psalm 119:11

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse,

#### **BOOK**

Read directly from the bible.

#### LOOK

Brainstorm with the class people in the bible who stopped being close after sinning.
Cain and King Saul.

#### **TOOK**

God doesn't like to associate with sinful people.

Prayer together and give Parental questions.

## Lesson Plan.

## Consequences of sin to relationship.

Objective This lesson will teach the kids that sin harms our relationships around us. With our beloveds.

#### Key Verses

Review different bible stories as suggested below.

#### Memory Verse

Proverbs 16:28. A dishonest man spreads strife and a whisperer separates close friends.

#### Hook

Review first yesterday's memory verse,

## LOOK

Brainstorm with the class people in the bible who stopped being close after sinning.

Jacob and Esau.

Cain and Abel. Sarah and Hagai.

## TOOK

Sin breaks relationships

**Prayer and give Parental questions;** 

## Lesson Plan. How TO PRAY.

Objective This lesson will teach the kids how to pray, while drawing the best example from the lord's prayer.

Prayer is how we talk to God.

#### Key Verses

Main Teaching Passage.
Mathew 6:9-13
Mathew 6:5-8, Philippians 4:6

#### Memory Verse

Philippians 4:6
Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God"

#### Hook

If God speaks to us through his word, the holy spirit, people, and his son Jesus Christ, how can we communicate to our God in heaven, Jesus and the holy spirit?

#### **BOOK**

Read from the bible. The lord's prayer Mathew 6:9-13 Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

#### LOOK

Use formula of Greeting and praising God. Dear God. Thanking God. Thank you for... Your Request. Please help me with Closing. Amen

#### TOOK

#### Teach the 5-finger reminder prayer method.

- 1. Make a prayer hand as if you're praying.
- 2. The Thumb is the closest one us- It Reminds us to pray for the closest people around us. Mum, dad, brother sister, Grandparents, house maid.
- 3. Pointing finger is for the people that point us to the right direction- The teacher, Sunday school teacher, pastor, (people who point us to right direction.)
- 4. Middle finger is the Tallest one and is for people who are in leadership over us or those in authority- The president. The policeman. School principal.
- 5. Ring finger is the weakest finger and the hardest to move- pray for the weakest among us. The poor, The sick or people in hard time.
- 6. Pinky or Last smallest finger- should remind us to Pray for ourselves. It should remind us that we should pray for everybody else and put ourselves last.

7. PALM- Bible says we are in the Palm of Gods handso our palms should remind us to thank him for all the blessings he gives us.

#### **Pray:**

Talking to God as a father but remembering he is a powerful God.

#### **Parent Question:**

Pray for each of your family members.

## Lesson Plan. Parable of the lost sheep

Objective This lesson will teach the kids how much God loves his children that He does not will that any gets lost.

#### Key Verses

Main Teaching Passage Luke 15:1-7 Reference passage- Prodigal son Luke 15:11-25

#### Memory Verse

There is Joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

#### Hook

Put a lot of coins on the floor for some time and separate one coin and hide it somewhere else close. The tell one of the kids to pick the coins, count them and go buy a soda.

One coin will be missing for him to be able to but a soda worth 1000 Tshs. let the class observe the child as he earnestly looks for the coin, so that they can understand how valuable just one coin is valuable to him, at the moment, apart from the 9 coins he already has.

#### **BOOK**

Read the passage from the bible.

#### LOOK

Explain the passage(s) to the class.

#### TOOK

God does not will that any one of us gets lost in sin. To him it is a desperate matter that he prevents us from going to hell fire that he goes through all measures to secure our heats and insist we live holy lives.

#### Pray:

Asking God to draw us to him and make us obedient to his voice.

**Parent Question;** 

# Lesson Plan. Loving your neighbor

Objective This lesson will teach the kids the true essence of being a neighbor. It is not a location factor, but the helpfulness factor.

#### Key Verses

Main Teaching Passage Luke 10:25-37

#### Memory Verse

Love your neighbor as yourself.

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse,

#### Book

Read from the bible.

## Look

Explain the Samaritan, priest and Levi relations in the Jewish society. Their social status.

Talk about what being a neighbor really means. The role of a neighbor: A neighbor is supposed to help another and make them feel warm and comfortable. But if they don't, then they start become useless.

But if someone else ends up doing good and helpful, he has become like your neighbor.

Explain what the memory verse really means. Loving your neighbor as yourself is not doing to others what you wouldn't want them to do to you.

## Took

When people who were supposed to do something don't do it, it is like salt that has lost its saltiness. Or like pili pili that doesn't itch. Or like sugar that has lost its sweetness. We slowly start becoming useless.

#### Pray:

Ask for true kindness regardless of who someone is to us.

Parent Question: who is a good neighbor to us?

# Lesson Plan Loving our siblings.

Objective This lesson will teach the kids to love and cherish their siblings because they are their immediate help in the future.

#### Key Verses

Main Teaching Passage Genesis 27 Genesis 33:1-11 (Reference Abel and Cain story)

#### Memory Verse

1John 2:9-11

9 He that says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness even until now.

#### BOOK

Read Jacob and Esau from the bible. From deceit to Jacob facing hardship and deceit from Laban himself to later having nowhere to go but going back home and reuniting with his brother Esau.

#### LOOK

- Explain the story and lessons taken.
- Jacob's faced pain and deceit in his own life too. Explain that no evil really escapes without happening to us too. Although It

isn't God punishing us. Sin is its own punisher.

- Jacob was later afraid and embarrassed of Esau.
- Your siblings will not always be fair, but everyone eventually goes their own way and build their life.
- Give an example of how you sometimes fell off with your siblings.

## Took

- God's Blessing does not need deceit.
- We need our siblings all our lives. The are our immediate help.
- Forgive each other as God forgives you.
- Brothers and sisters love another, and get along.
   And when you argue remember that years it wont matter.
- You will feel bad that you argued so much as children.
- Bullies feel bad about themselves that they made others lives hard. When they are grown people, they feel bad and ashamed. Jacob was afraid to face his brother Esau.
- Siblings tend to make the best team in serving God or doing big and amazing things on earth. Think or Mosses Aaron and Miriam, the Kendrick brothers (Christian films), John and James,
- JESUS is the best example of our big brother. As the first son of God, he was Obedient. Loving. Merciful. Always told the truth and humble.

#### Pray:

Ask God to help us forgive and love our siblings. How we treat others end up being how we are treated.

# Lesson Plan. Forgiveness

Objective This lesson aims to teach the kids that yes, forgiveness can be hard but it is important for us. Makes our life bigger and better.

#### Key Verses

Main Teaching Passage- Matthew 18:15-17, Parallel passage: Parable of the unforgiving servant Matthew 18:21-35

#### Memory Verse

Colossian 3:13

#### Hook

Construct any related activity.

#### Book

Read from the bible.

## Look

Explain the word.

## Took

Even when we feel a mad so bad, we feel we could hurt everyone, know you are free to stop yourself and tell Jesus about it.

Pray:

**Parent Question:** 

## Lesson Plan. The Kingdom of Heaven (All invited)

Objective This lesson series aims to help children overall understand what God's kingdom is like, how it truly functions and that every God's plan revolves around his son Jesus.

Also, it is to reveal God's plan for the world and his people.

Also, the parables of the Kingdom of heaven, are all talking about Jesus and his ultimate redemption plan.

The KOH helps us understand How we relate with Jesus and our ultimate destiny with Christ.

#### Key Verses (lesson 1.)

#### **Main Teaching Passage is:**

The Parable of the Mustard seed Luke 13:18-19

18 Then said he, unto what is the kingdom of God like? and where unto shall I resemble it?
19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.

#### Memory Verse

#### Hook

What is the kingdom of heaven? The kingdom of heaven

#### Book

Read the parable from the bible.

#### Look

Jesus is the Mustard seed. The Man is God. The seed cast into the ground is as Jesus dying and being buried and salvation that came and grew into a great kingdom of Christianity, and all nations/kinds of people were adopted as children of God.

## Took

God takes and uses the small/insignificant things and turn them into something big and huge. The things of God always look little and foolish to worldly people but end up making a great impact. Give examples.

Prayer.

**Parental Question:** 

## Lesson Plan.

## The Kingdom of Heaven. Discovering

**Objective** Give lesson intro as previous lesson.

The parables of the Kingdom of heaven, are all talking about Jesus and his ultimate redemption plan.

This lesson portrays the Kingdom of Heaven as discovering the most precious thing of all. And forsaking all other.

#### Key Verses

#### **Main Teaching Passage is:**

The Parable of the Hidden Treasure-Matthew 13:44

The parable of the Pearl of great price **Matthew** 13:45-46

#### Memory Verse

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse,

#### BOOK

#### Matt 13:44

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hides, and for joy thereof goes and sells all that he hath, and buys that field.

Matt 13:45-46

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

46 Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

#### Look

The hidden treasure is Jesus. the man selling all he has to buy the land is a Man discovering salvation and then forsaking all he has for salvation and getting Jesus who is the treasure itself.

A merchant seeking pearl of great price is a man who was looking for what to believe in and so ends up finding Christ and so leaves all other and chose Jesus. Jesus is the pearl of great value.

## Took

The Kingdom of God is worth sacrificing everything for. Young children, finding Jesus is like finding a treasure or a pearl of great price.

Forsaking all other means forsaking sin.

**Pray:** 

**Parent Question:** 

## Lesson Plan.

## The Kingdom of Heaven.

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Also the parables of the Kingdom of heaven, are all talking about Jesus and his ultimate redemption plan.

## These parables speak of stewardship Key Verses

#### **Main Teaching Passage is:**

The Parable of the Talents Matthew 25:14-30 The Parable of the Minas Reference verse.1 peter 4:10

#### Memory Verse - (NIV)

Luke 16:10-12- whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much. And whoever is dishonest with very little will be dishonest with much.

#### Hook

Review yesterday's memory verse,

#### BOOK

Read from the bible.

#### LOOK

God has given all of us gifts and talents that he wants and expects us to use for the good of those around us. But the day Jesus comes back, he is going to ask of us what we did with it.

We have to multiply what God has given us. What has God placed in our minds and hearts? Education- helping others understand The Gospel- share the goodness of God so others can come to Jesus.

Strength- To help.

Gifts of the Holy spirit according to 1 Cor 12:8-12, 28 Rom 12:6-8

Wisdom, Understanding, counsel, Knowledge, healing, faith, serving, leadership, encouraging others, kindness, etc.

TOOK

Pray:

**Parent Question:** 

# Lesson Plan. The Kingdom of Heaven.

Objective This lesson series aims to help children overall understand what God's kingdom is like and how it truly function. Also, it is to reveal God's plan for the world and his people.

Also the parables of the Kingdom of heaven, are all talking about Jesus and his ultimate redemption plan.

The aim of this parable is to show that we are all called together but we shall be separated at last. The holy from the wicked.

Called together, separated at last.

#### **Key Verses**

**Main Teaching Passage is:** 

The Parable of the Net/Dragnet 13:47-50

Memory Verse – (NIV) construct any suitable.

#### Hook

Not necessary or Review yesterday's memory verse,

#### **BOOK**

Read from the bible.

#### LOOK

God welcomes all people ( to heaven)

## TOOK

In the kingdom of heaven, the good (those who follow Christ) and the bad (those who refuse to follow Christ) will be separated by Jesus himself.

Jesus knows who is his and who is not his. And he will take those who are his for himself to dwell with them.

Pray:

**Parent Question:** 

# Lesson Plan. The Kingdom of Heaven.

Objective This lesson series aims to help children overall understand what God's kingdom is like and how it truly function. Also, it is to reveal God's plan for the world and his people.

Also the parables of the Kingdom of heaven, are all talking about Jesus and his ultimate redemption plan.

The aim of this parable is to show that Jesus returns back for his bride when we least expect it.

**UNKNOWN TIME/LEAST EXPECTED** 

#### **Key Verses**

**Main Teaching Passage is:** 

The Parable of the 10 Virgins Matthew 25:1-13

Memory Verse – Revelation 16:15 (ICB version) "Listen! I come as a thief comes! Happy is the person who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him. Then he will not have to go without clothes and be ashamed because he is naked."

#### Hook

Do something very unexpected that day, that they were not prepared. A pop-up quiz with rewards, ask who carried their notebooks to take notes.

#### BOOK

Read slowly straight from the bible. One student reads. Try to animate the story or even Act out.

#### LOOK

Bridegroom represents JESUS, who will return unexpectedly.

The 10 virgins represent Christians who should be prepared to meet Jesus.

The wise- children who are ready to learn and obey. The foolish- children who forgot and do not concern themselves with faith.

(Try to focus the message of hope, Gods love and readiness, rather than the consequences of being prepared.

Even Jesus himself says he doesn't know the date and hour of his coming except his father God.

It's important to always be prepared and spiritually alert. We should be ready for unexpected events like the wise virgins.

#### TOOK

Ask them what they learned.

The kingdom of heaven can come at any time so we need to be ready.

#### **Pray**

## Lesson Plan. Salt of the earth

**Objective** This lesson series aims to help children

#### **Key Verses**

Main Teaching Passage is: Matthew 5:13 Luke 14:34, Mark 9:49-50

#### Memory Verse - (NIV)

Salt is good, but if salt has lost its flavor, how will you season it? Mark 9:50 OR You are the salt of the earth.

#### Hook

Give the kids something to eat that has to be seasoned with salt to taste better, and let them eat unsalted. Then give then some salt to season and discuss the usefulness and the importance of salt. Use cashew nuts or groundnuts.

## **BOOK**

Read verses from the bible.

## LOOK

Simply explain that living for God seasons your life with so much goodness, wisdom and blessings that you can share with others to make their lives better. Your life becomes important to many and you add to your reward in heaven. Hence when you reject Christ and live for the world, your life loses meaning and Godly impact.

### TOOK

Above 6s- if Christians were taken out of the world, the world would be bad.

-Thus, Christians are very important. So you need to shine your light in this world. Don't hide or put it under the bed, No. shine so others can see and come to Christ. Talk about him, pray for others, share, speak kindly, do your work properly, be very clean and smart. Be cheerful.

Under 5s- when you do good, you make another person want to do good too.

-You will make aloot of people start to do good like you, even when you don't see it.

**Pray:** 

**Parent Question:** 

## Lesson Plan. Making bible stories relevant.

**Objective** This lesson series aims to help Teacher relate a bible story to children and help them apply it.

#### **Key Verses**

Main Teaching Passage is: Luke 19:1-10 Story of Jesus and Zacchaeus.

#### Memory Verse - (NIV)

Choose any that relates

#### Hook

Not necessary.

## BOOK

Read story from the bible.

## LOOK

Make it interesting by teaching by asking questions such as, how did Jesus know that was Lazarus, having not met him before? Answer: because he is God.

Explain the true nature of the character and how they were perceived in the society to get the full scope of the lesson. Eg, Zacchaeus was despised by the jews and viewed as a sinner because he taxed them heavily under the roman rule. OR Samaritans were viewed as lesser citizens/tribe by

the jews even though they were relatives. In short give them insight on the character social status. Although don't take them to a rabbit whole of background explanation because they will get too tired to absorb the lesson.

## TOOK

Jesus loved and ate with sinners too. As Jesus went home with Zacc, you too can go home with him and let him dwell with you.

Prayer: repentance. lead them a prayer to go home with Jesus.

#### **Parent Questions:**

## Lesson Plan. Biblical Timeline.

Objective This lesson series aims to help children learn the sequence, important people and important events up to Christ. With the main aim to emphasize the importance of obedience and God's faithfulness.

#### **Key Verses & Hook**

Main Teaching Passage is: On obedience On God's faithfulness.

#### **BOOK**

Draw the bible timeline on a blank board and explain each person and major event as you go.

Watch Swahili super book as a class.

## SCRIPTURE CONFESSIONS.

Confession Scripture. Revelation 1:5b-6

Confession scripture. 1 peter 2:9-10

Confession scripture. 2 Timothy 1:7

2 Timothy 1:7 God has not given us a spirit of fear but love and a sound mind.