

Lesson 1 - God's Plan of Salvation

John 3:16 God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son (Jesus) that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

1. Who did God give? (Jesus)
2. Why did God give us Jesus? (Because He loves us)
3. What is the result? (We can have eternal life)

Activity: Draw five hearts with the child. Each heart has a message.

1. Colour the first heart yellow. Ask the children what they think of when they think of yellow/gold. (Eg answers – light, gold) Explain that yellow reminds you of heaven, where there is light and beauty. **Say this: The yellow heart means God made us for heaven, where everything is beautiful.**
2. Colour the second heart black. Ask the children what they think of when they think of black. (Eg answers – dirty, dark) Explain that yellow reminds you of something dirty or dark. **Say this: The black heart means that we do wrong and don't follow what God wants. That is called sin and sin keeps us away from God and heaven.**
3. Colour the third heart red. Ask the children what they think of when they think of red. (Eg answers – blood, love) Explain that yellow reminds you of God's love and Jesus dying on the cross for our sins. **Say this: The red heart means God loves us very much. So God sent Jesus and He died on the cross so our wrongdoings can be forgiven.**
4. Colour the fourth heart white / leave it blank. Ask the children what they think of when they think of white (Eg answers –clean) Explain that yellow reminds you of being clean or pure. **Say this: The white heart means that because Jesus died on the cross for our sins, when we put our trust in Jesus, we become clean. Our sins are forgiven and we can become God's children.**
5. Colour the fifth heart green. Ask the children what they think of when they think of green (Eg answers – leaf) Explain that green reminds you of something fresh and new. **Say this: The green heart means that when we follow Jesus He makes things new for us. We have hope and will live forever with Jesus.**

Pray:

Ask the children if any of them want to put their trust in Jesus. Ask them to raise their hands if yes.

If yes, you can pray this with them: Dear Lord Jesus, Thank you for loving me and dying on the cross for me. I am sorry for the wrong things I do. Please forgive me. I put my trust in you. Help me to follow You. Please guide me and be my God. In Jesus Name I pray, Amen.

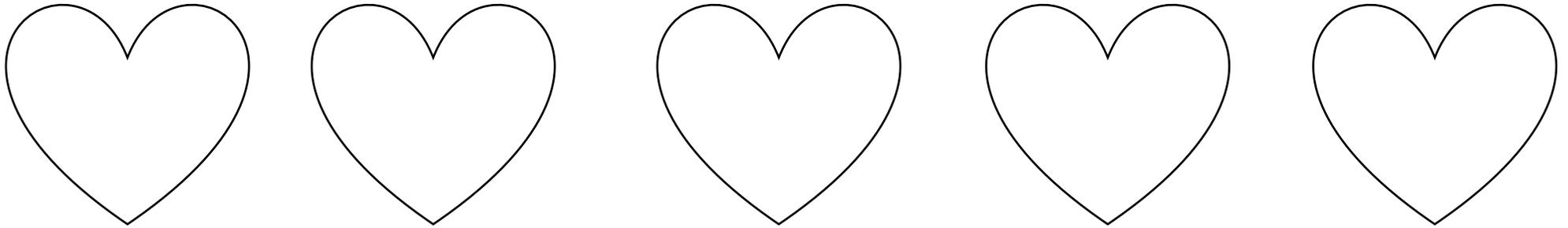
(If you have time, ask the children to repeat what he/she has learned by asking what each colours mean)

Name:

God loves me (Jesus solves the problem of sin)

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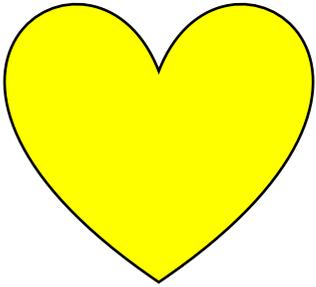
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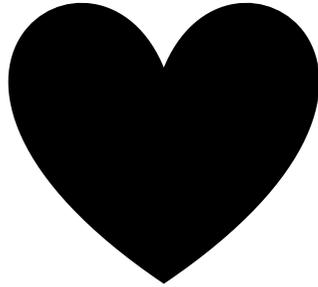
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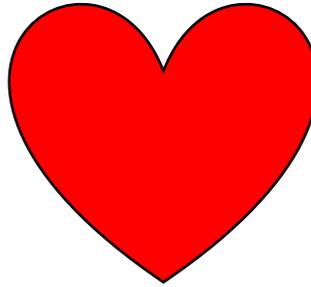
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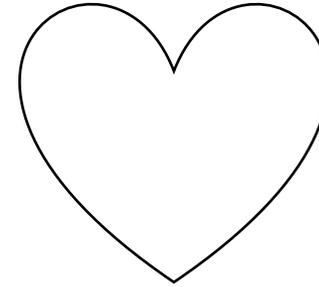
God made us for heaven, where everything is beautiful.



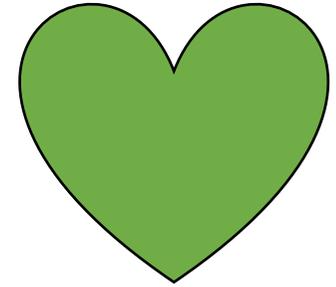
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God loves us very much. God sent Jesus and He died on the cross so our wrongdoings can be forgiven.



When we put our trust in Jesus, our hearts become clean. Our wrongs are forgiven and we can become God's children.



when we follow Jesus, He makes things new for us. We can live forever with Jesus.

Pray:

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Lesson 2 -God's Solution to Our Problem

Memory Verse

God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son (Jesus) that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Part 1 – Problems and solution game

We are going to play a game, in this game, you must tell me the best person who will most probably be able to solve the problem.

Distribute the flash cards to each child randomly.

Read out the problem. The child who thinks she has the person on the card who can solve the problem can raise his/her hand.

Check if the child got it right.

If yes. Take the card from the person and match it beside the problem.

If not kindly say... hmmm... maybe he can solve a different problem.

Once all the problems have been matched thank the students.

(refer to appendix for flashcards)

Part 2 - Problems in the world

Some problems have solutions like the above, but there are many big problems in the world that need a solution. What are some of the big problems in this world? (Eg, earthquakes, wars, covid, stealing, sickness, death)

When God created the world, He didn't want us to face this problems.

But we human beings made a mistake – we choose to go against God – that is called sin. And sin causes all these big problems.

Whats more, sin causes us to feel far from God, it causes us to be separated from God and causes sickness and death.

So we have this big problem in the world : And that is SIN. (put out the flashcard on sin) Do you think a plumber can help with this problem?... (go through the other roles who can solve certain problems but not this one)

Oh no who can save us!

Any of you know?

Jesus! Yes!

God sent Jesus to this world. He died on the cross to pay the penalty for our sins. And when we put our trust in Him, He saves us from the consequences of sin.

The bible says, God loved the people of this world so much that He gave His only Son, Jesus, so that everyone who has faith in him will have eternal life and never really die.

Yes we still face the problems in this world, but Jesus promises us that when we trust in Him, we will enjoy a new heaven and a new earth with Him, where there is no tears, or pain or war or death or sickness. We will have eternal life and never really die.

Whats more, He comes and be our best friend so we have the strength and help to face the different problems and challenges in our life.

Do you want to believe in Jesus? If yes, lets pray.

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Jesus so we can live forever as Your friend. Thank You that You never left us alone in our problems because of sin, but Jesus came and died on the cross for our sins. choose to trust you Jesus today, please forgive me and be my best friend in this life. Help me in the problems I face. In Jesus Name I pray, Amen.

Part 3 -Take home activities

Memorise the memory verse together

God so loved the world that He gave His only Begotten Son (Jesus) that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16) Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners (1 Timothy 1:15)

Craft

1. Jigsaw puzzle cross. (Write the memory verse on a cardboard and cut into jigsaw pieces. Put a small amount of blue tack on each piece. Let the children match the pieces together.
2. Guide the students to draw the five colours gospel message.

My car broke down.	Mechanic
I sprained my ankle.	Doctor
My water pipe burst.	Plumber
My dog is not well.	Vet
My computer is spoiled.	IT Repairman
Someone broke into my house.	Police
SIN. (Not following God's way)	JESUS

Lesson 3: Who am I – I am special

Memory Verse

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. Psalm 139:14

Part 1 – Guess who is it

Use a device/ use print outs. Show only a portion of a picture of a famous person/cartoon character. (Eg – Elsa, Mickey Mouse, Lee Chong Wei, Spider Man, winnie the pooh) Ask the children to guess it.

In this game, we saw many characters that are special. We took time to guess them, some were harder to guess because I hid part of the picture.

Sometimes in life, people do not fully know who we are. Maybe sometimes we try to hide a bit about ourselves. However the bible says that God knows us fully! Not only that He is the one who made us and we are special. He knows everything about us and still loves us.

Or

Play dough. Ask the kids to make something using the playdough.

What did you make? Do you like what you made?

Do you know that God made you? Not only that He made you very special. He made you wonderfully and carefully. And He likes what He has made.

Part 2 – I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

In the bible, King David was a man who often prayed. He was God's friends. Today we are going to read a verse from a psalm or song that David wrote – lets read Psalm 139:14

I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. Psalm 139:14

Here, David is praising God. Why is he doing that? Because He is fearfully and wonderfully made.

David knows that God made him. Not only that, He knew God made him very special. He knew he was precious in God's eyes.

Today, God wants you to know that you are also fearfully and wonderfully made.

God made you, and God made you very special. You are precious in God's eyes.

When God thinks of you, he sees that you are beautiful. You are loved.

Part 3 -Take home activities

Activity – Write down some positive things about the children you are teaching. Ask the students to select five positive words to describe themselves.

(Beautiful, kind, loving, funny, understanding, caring, helpful, good at art, thoughtful, intelligent)

(Ask them to write the five words in the following paragraph)

God made me. He made me _____ (eg beautiful, kind, loving, caring and intelligent) I want to thank Him for making me. I am special.

Memorise the memory verse together

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Craft

1. Activity sheet.
2. Bookmark. Students make a name card collage with their name and decorate it. Behind the card, write- the memory verse.

Name:

I praise You (God) because I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14

Who made you?

How did God make you?

What is your response?

Beautiful, kind, loving, funny, understanding, caring, helpful, good at art, thoughtful, intelligent, active, good at music, special, adventurous.

God made me. He made me _____

I want to thank Him for making me. I am special.

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for making me special. Thank you for loving me, I love you. In Jesus name, Amen.

Lesson 4: Who am I – I am God's child

Memory Verse

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12

Part 1 – When is your birthday?

Ask each child, when is your birthday? What do you do during your birthday?

Why do we celebrate birthdays?

Explain: We celebrate birthdays because it's the day we were born. And we became a child of our mum and dad the moment we are born. The bible tells us that the moment we believe and receive Jesus as our Lord and Savior, we become God's children.

The moment you were born was the day you became a child of your parents. The moment you believe in Jesus, you were born into God's family and you became a child of God.

Part 2 – I am a child of God.

Read the following verses together, what does it mean to be a child of God?

John 1:12-13 Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

How do we become God's child?

Romans 8:15-16 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship.¹⁵ And by him we cry, "Abba,¹⁶ Father." ¹⁶The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

Galatians 4:6-7 Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba,⁶ Father." ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

What does it mean when we are God's child?

Romans 8:38-39 For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

When we become God's child, can anything separate us from God's love?

We are children of God the moment we believe and trust in Jesus. His Spirit lives in us. We can call God our Father in Heaven. And He takes care of us and loves us. Nothing can separate us from God's love.

Respond:

1. How does it make you feel when you realise you are a child of God?
2. How does it make you feel knowing that God is Your Heavenly Father?

Because God is our Heavenly Father,

We can pray to God the Father at any time.

When we read the bible, God speaks to us. And when we pray, we speak to God.

Pray this prayer every night before you sleep.

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you that I belong to your family. Thank you that Jesus died on the cross for my sins so I can be part of your family. Im sorry for the wrong things I've done, please forgive me. Please bless me and draw me closer to You each day. Give me a good rest tonight. In Jesus Name I pray, Amen.

Activity:

1. Memorise the memory verse together.
2. Heart shaped collage. Make a heart shaped collage using magazines. Use letters and past the word's I am a child of God. Then write the verse at the bottom.

Name:

Memory Verse

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. John 1:12

1. Who do I become when I receive and believe in Jesus?
2. Do YOU receive and believe in Jesus?

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3. When we become God’s child, can anything separate us from God’s love?

I, _____ (name)
believe and put my trust in Jesus. I am a
child of God.

Signature

(Date: _____)

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Lesson 5: Who am I – I am part of God's family

Memory Verse

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! 1 John 3:1

Part 1 – Match the common items

Print and cut a list of items, or find the actual items in the list (Example list given). Each of the items can be grouped together in terms of commonality – Example – stationary, items used for eating, clothing, sports equipment. Ask each child to group the items together into their categories. Then ask them to tell you what is it that these items have in common. Show an example if needed.

Explain: in the above game, each item in their category had something in common with the other item in the category. Although they were different, they had similarities. For example, a fork, a spoon, chopsticks and a plate are all used for eating.

Part 2 – Part of God's family

Now I am going to say some names of people – (mention names of people in the church – Ps Khoo, Jolisha, Sis Del, Aunty Joyce, Ps Jeremiah, Abrienda, Ps Eunice, Uncle Peter.

What do all these people have in common? (Let them try to answer)

Some of the people mentioned here are children, some are grandparents, some are dads some are mums, some have long hair some have short hair. Some have grey hair. Some are tall, some are short. Some are teachers, some are nurses, some are pastors, some are students. But they all have one thing in common, all of these people trust in Jesus and are part of God's Family.

Last week you learned that you are God's child when you trust in Jesus. That means you are part of God's family. Jesus told people many things about being a part of God's family.

(Read Mark 3:31-35)

One day, Jesus was talking to a crowd of people when his mother and brothers came to see him. They were so many people around Jesus that His family could not get to see Him.

People in the crowd told Jesus that his mother and brothers were outside.

What do you think Jesus said? (Let them try to answer)

Jeuss said something that we may thing sounds strange.

Jesus asked 'Who is my mother and who are my brothers?'

Do you think that Jesus had forgotten who was in His family? (Let them try to answer)

I don't think so.

Jesus explained what He meant to the people sitting in the crowd. He looked around all the people there who had decided to follow Him. He said 'here are my mother and brothers. Anyone who obeys God is my brother or sister or mother.'

He told them that people who hear and obey God are in His family.

You can be a student and be a part of God's family.

You can be tall and be part of God's family.

You can have curly hair and be part of God's family.

Isn't it great that God's family is made up of so many different people? It doesn't matter what you look like, how clever you are or where you are from.

IF you trust in Jesus then you are one of God's special children and will live with Him forever.

Respond:

1. How does it make you feel when you realise you are part of God's family, no matter what you look like or where you are from?
2. How can you love those who are in God's family?

Prayer:

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you that you give us the chance to be part of your special family. Thank you that because of what Jesus has done for us, we will be able to live with you forever and ever. Help us to learn to love you more each day. Amen.

Activity:

1. Memorise the memory verse together. You can use the white board. Repeat a few times and erase words to help them remember. Ask them to write the memory verse in their notebook.
2. Craft: Different people in the family. On a drawing block, past a row of cut out figures. Ask the children to design each figure differently (example put hair, coloured dresses/ shirts, spectacles) and include one which looks like themselves. You can provide paper to cut out, strings and markers for this. Write at the bottom of the craft that the words ' I am part of God's family)
3. If there is still time, revise previous memory verses with them.

Pencil	Spoon	Badminton Racquet	Scarf
Sharpener	Fork	Football	T – shirt
Eraser	Plate	Ping Pong Ball	Trousers
Ruler	Bowl	Basketball	Skirt
Pen	Chopsticks	Tennis Racquet	Jeans

Lesson 6: Growing as God's Child

Memory Verse: My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. (John 10:27-28)

Part 1 – Game

Get through the mines. Scatter mines (crumpled paper) across the room. Taking turns, with each child tries to get to the other side without hitting a mine. The other child/children will give instructions verbally without touching.

Ask. Did you enjoy the game? Was it scary when you could not see anything. What helped you get to the other side without touching the bombs? Accept answers. (Listening to my friend's voice, asking for direction...)

Sometimes life is not easy to navigate. We want to get through life well and stay on the right path. The best way to stay on the right path is by listening and communicating with our God and friend, Jesus.

Part 2 – Talking with Jesus everyday

How do we stay on the right path, by talking and listening to Jesus everyday. But as we all realise, God isn't like here physically, how do we still listen to Him?

God doesn't leave us alone. He has given us two main ways to talk to Him and listen to Him. We talk to God through prayer and we listen to God by reading the bible!

Isn't that incredible!

In John 10:27-28 Jesus says ' My sheep listen to my voice, I know them and they follow me.' In this passage, sheep represents us His people. Sheep need to depend on the Shepherd or the sheep leader to direct them to the correct path. Similarly, we need Jesus and we need to listen to Jesus voice so that our lives are on the correct path.

Do you want to go on the right path?

Yes? If so. Lets learn to listen to God's voice.

Remember we learn to listen to God through the bible? Let's open our bible today and we will learn to listen and learn about God

Part 3 – Learning how to read the bible

When we read the bible we can learn about God by asking two questions.

1. What can I learn about God from this verse?
2. What can I apply to my life?

Let's try using the first verse in John 3: 16

What we can learn about God from this verse – eg – God loves us. God gave us His son.

What can we apply to our life? Eg – believe in Him.

Now we can pray – Thank you Lord for loving me. I choose to believe in You today.

Isn't that simple?

Part 4 – Creating a memory verse booklet

Remember we have to listen to God's voice every day. So I have a project for you. We are going to make a mini book with all your memory verses inside. And after each memory verse, you can write the answer to these two questions and your prayer. Everyday, you go to each memory verse and ask yourself these questions and write them down.

Make a notebook using loose paper. Punch two holes and tie it up. Ask them to decorate the cover.

Pray together

Lord, help me to learn to listen to Your voice and talk to you everyday. In Jesus Name I pray, Amen.

Have a practical time of praying and reading God's word together.

Lesson 7: Growing as God's Child 2 : Prayer

Starting Song – Good good Father

Memory Verse

“Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you.

Matthew 7:7

Part 1 – Game: what would you do?

Read out various scenarios, ask each child to act them out. Ask the child what would they do in each scenario.

- 1. You are on a plane and its shaking badly.**
- 2. You fell down and injured your ankle.**
- 3. There is a fire in the building.**
- 4. You took the wrong bus and cannot find the way home.**

There are solutions to each of the scenarios mentioned, however in addition to the above, there is something we can all do. We can all pray.

Part 2 – Talking with Jesus everyday

Jesus teaches the disciples on prayer.

When Jesus taught His followers how to pray. He explained that God is a good God. He is a good good Father like we sang earlier today.

He gives an example. If we ask our father or mother for food when we are hungry, will they give us a snake? Or a scorpion?

No right?

In the same way, God is a perfect heavenly Father, He is the best Father because He is God and He wants to help us. How can we get His help? Remember that when we believe in Jesus we become God's child? That means God is our Father in heaven, and we can ask God for help through prayer.

When we pray, sometimes God answers our prayer, because what we ask for is needed and good for us. But sometimes He doesn't answer our prayer, maybe He will give us what we ask for later, or He has something better for us instead. Whatever it is, we can know that God is bigger than us and He knows whats best for us. We can trust Him.

Part 3 – Learning how to pray

So how can we pray?

Praying is asking God for help.

When we pray we can use this simple way:

1. Thank you : What do you want to thank God for?
2. Sorry : Is there anything you need to say sorry to God for?
3. Please : In what area do you need God's help in? Is there anyone else you can pray for who needs God help?

Let's try. Write down your prayer and then we will take turns praying.

Sit in a circle.

Say: today we are going to tell Jesus and communicate with Him through prayer. We will talk with Him and listen from Him.

Before we do this. We need to make sure we know we are God's child and Jesus friend? How can you be sure?

Book illustration.

So let this hand represent us. And above is God. And in between is this book. This book represents sin.

In our lives. We all have sin. And sin blocks us from being God's friend and God's child.

But God really loves us. So what did He do?

He sent Jesus, God's Son, to come on earth. He died on the cross for our sins (put book on the other hand which represents Jesus)

Now what happens – we can talk to Jesus freely and experience His presence.

Who wants to become God's child today?

When we believe and follow Jesus, asking God to forgive us. We become God's friends. Lets pray.

Dear Father in Heaven, thank You for sending your Son Jesus to take away my sin. I am sorry for the things I've done wrong, please forgive me. I accept You as my Lord and Savior. I trust in You and believe You hear my prayer through Jesus. In Jesus name I pray Amen.

When we pray. We pray to God the Father through Jesus Christ. Because Jesus makes us right with God. He takes away our sin. God also gives us His Holy Spirit to help us pray. God helps us pray.

So we are going to pray talking to God today asking Him to help us in our lives.

1. Thanksgiving

2. Read scripture
3. Pray for prayer needs
4. Pray for others.

Go in a circle. Ask each child to first pray a short prayer thanking God for something specific. The next round, read the passage or verse. Ask then to pray to God through the verse. Next pray for each others prayer needs. Finally pray for an area that needs Jesus.

Trust the Holy Spirit in the process!!

Part 4 –

Creating a memory verse booklet /The praying hand

Draw an outline of their own hand, label each finger and thumb.

Thumb: Dear Heavenly Father,

First Finger: Thank you

Second Finger: Sorry

Third Finger: Please

Fourth Finger: In Jesus name Amen.

Lesson 8: Growing as God's Child : Thanksgiving

Starting Song – Give thanks to the Lord (Forever) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=djv_JTBC1Zk

Memory Verse

Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

Part 1 – Revision and warmup

Revise the praying hand (last week lesson) Tell children today we are going to talk about thanking God.

Go through a few scenarios. Ask the student what should their response be in the following situations.

5. Your family gives you your favourite gift as a Christmas present.
6. Your family is lost and the GPS is not working, someone kind shows you the right way to go home.
7. At the restaurant, the waiter serves you your food.
8. Your mummy cooks dinner for you.
9. Your dad fetches you from school.

In the above scenarios, what should be our response? We should say thank you!

Part 2 – Story of the 10 lepers

Read Luke 17:11-19 dramatize the story and allow the children to act if they want to.

Ask the following questions:

1. How many lepers were there?
2. What did Jesus do for all the lepers?
3. How many lepers came back to thank Jesus?

Have there been times God has been so good to us but we forget to thank Him?

Do you want to be like the leper who thanked Jesus or the rest who forgot about Jesus?

What are some things that God has done for you and me? Write it on the board.

(forgive our sins, love us, send us Jesus, created the universe, give us food and life and family)

Take time to thank God for each of the items mentioned. You can lead the children to pray or ask them to try picking an item and thanking God for it!

Thank you God for.....

Part 3 – Giving Thanks

Option 1 – thanking God for food : making honey cornflakes cup.

The bible tells us to always give thanks.

There is always something we can thank God for.

One of the main things we can give thanks for is ----- for food. Each time we eat, we must remember that God is the one who provides for us. This world, the plants, the animals, all are from God and God gives the ability for our parents to work so that we have enough to eat!

Today we are going to make honey cornflakes cup.

As we make it, let's make it with a thankful heart, thanking God for it.

Option 2 – Craft – heart

What are some things you can give thanks for?

Write a prayer listing all the things you are thankful for. Then paste it on a heart shaped paper. I'm sure God is happy that you thank Him! Like how Jesus was happy when the leper came back and thanked Him.

We must remember always to have a thankful heart.

Part 4 – prayer

Take turns asking the students to say what they are grateful for today. (first round)

Then guide the students to pray prayers of thanksgiving to God based on what they have shared.

Lord Jesus, thank you..... in Jesus name, Amen.

Encourage students to always pray and thank God for the day every night.

Lesson 9: Growing as God's Child: Forgiveness

Starting Song – Thank you Jesus for your love to me.

Memory Verse He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west. Psalm 103:12

Part 1

Revision and warmup

Revise the praying hand (lesson 7) and last week lesson Tell children today we are going to talk about forgiveness.

Hold a cup.

Have you ever broken something at home? Example – a cup/ a plate. How did you feel when you broke it? Was your parents angry? Why do you think they were angry.

In my life I have broken some stiff, plates and cups. I often wish I can turn back time or fix the cup, but its not possible. My parents will be angry because they have to spend money and pay for another cup. However, when I humbly come to them and say sorry, they usually forgive me.

In life, we often make mistakes and do wrong stuff. What should we do when it happens? Many times we regret and want to turn back time or try to fix things, but often the best thing to do is say sorry. When we do wrong things, we can tell Jesus we are sorry, and we know He forgives us.

Part 2 – Lesson on Forgiveness

But how can we be forgiven? When we break a cup for example, someone needs to pay for the new cup right? When we sin, or do wrong, someone needs to pay the price. Lets see who paid the price for our sins.

⁸ But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. ⁹ And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation. **Romans 5:8-9**

Lets read it again.

Who died for us?

Why did He die?

How are we made right with God?

The bible tells us that we all have sinned. That means we do things, or say things or think things that break God's heart! It makes us feel far from God and separates us from Him. But God loved us so much He was willing to pay the price, the results of our wrongdoings. He sent Jesus to die on the cross for our

sins. When we do wrong, we need to be punished, but Jesus took to punishment for our sins so we don't have to be condemned by God. Yes, there are consequences, but when we are willing to say sorry, He forgives us and helps us.

Object lesson – In our lives, we often make mistake, like the pepper in this plate of water. It makes our lives dirty and unclean. But Jesus blood is like this dish soap. When we put our trust in Him when we say sorry and turn away from our sins, He removes these dirt far away from us. He remembers our sins no more.

We can be forgiven because Jesus died on the cross for our sins.

Part 3 – Response

What is our response?

We need to put our trust in Jesus, and turn away from the things we have done wrong.

And every day, we need to check our lives and ask God to forgive us. We say sorry and ask for forgiveness. And we try our best to live for God with His help.

When we are truly sorry, what does God does? Read memory verse. But lets not take it for granted but always try our best to be good and holy with God's help.

Part 4 – prayer

Ask students to pray and ask God for forgiveness.

1. Think about the past week, ask the Holy Spirit to highlight areas where you said or did something that was not right. Did you say a lie or get angry?
2. Ask God to forgive you.
3. Receive His forgiveness.

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for dying on the cross so I can be forgiveness, please forgive me for-----, help me to change by----- .

If time permits, practice prayer using lesson 7 model. Thank you, sorry, please.

Lesson 10: Growing as God's Child : More on Prayer

Starting Song – read your bible pray everyday

Memory Verse

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. **Phillipians 4:6 (NLT)**

Part 1 – Icebreaker Traffic light game

<https://childhood101.com/games-for-kids-red-light-green-light/#:~:text=One%20person%20is%20chosen%20to,around%2C%20calling%20'Red%20Light.>

Revision and warmup

Revise the praying hand (lesson 6) and last week lesson Tell children today we are going to talk about asking God.

Lets read the memory verse.

Is there anything we cannot pray to God about? What does it say here? Pray about _____.

What are some things you can pray about?

What worries you? How can you pray about it?

Part 2 – Jesus teaching on prayer

Read Matthew 7:7-9

⁷“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.

⁹“Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? ¹¹If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him

Who likes good gifts?

Do you know that our Heavenly Father wants to give good gifts to us? What are some good gifts our heavenly Father has already given us? Do you thank Him for them?

The bible also says our heavenly Father cares for us and gives us what we need.

Jesus taught that we can ask God for anything we need. He says that God is a good Father who wants to give good gifts to those who ask Him.

What are some things you need that you can ask God for?

However sometimes, God doesn't seem to answer the prayer. Why do you think so? (allow response)

Think of it like a traffic light, God always hears our prayer, but because He knows best, sometimes He responds in 3 different ways. 1 green light – Yes, He answers our prayers. 2. Yellow light, wait, you are not ready for it yet. 3 Red light, no its not good for you.

We may not understand why God doesn't answer our prayer sometimes, but we can still trust Him because He is good.

Part 3 – Practicing Prayer

Worksheet – refer to appendix

Part 4 – prayer

Each student share one thing they are concerned about / a prayer need.

Then take turns praying following the structure. Thank you, Sorry, Please.

PRAYER

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. **Phillipians 4:6 (NLT)**

What are some of the things you need that you want to ask God for?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Let's pray!

Dear Heavenly Father,
Thank you

I'm sorry

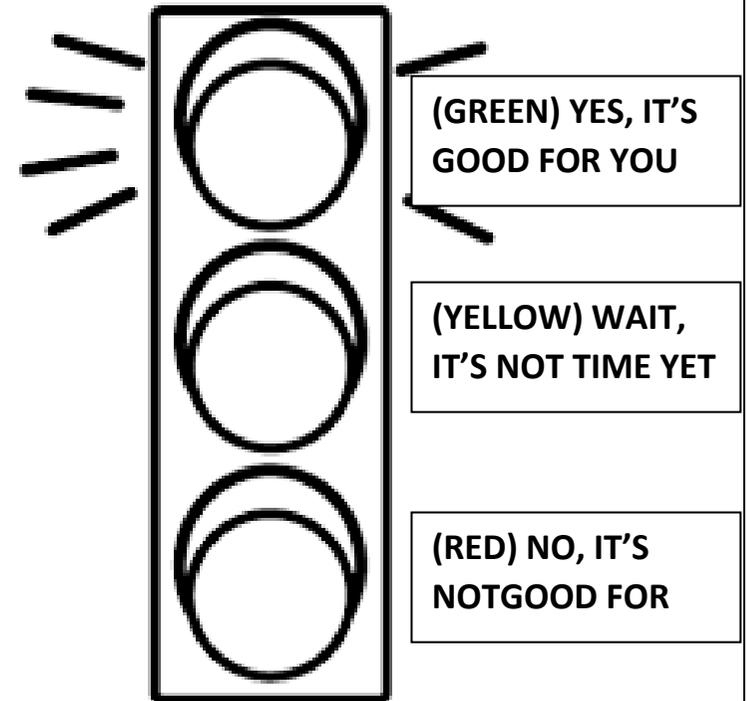
Please

God always hears our prayer but sometimes His answer is

YES

NO

WAIT



No matter what, even when we don't understand, we can trust that God knows what's best for us because He is a good heavenly Father.

Lesson 11: Growing as God's Child : God's word

Starting Song – <https://youtu.be/vY-C7-rKakE> Thy Word is a Lamp unto my feet

Memory Verse

Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path. (**Psalms 119:105**)

Part 1 – blind fold obstacle course

Create a simple obstacle course. Create cards with all 15 words in the memory verse and put them around the obstacle course, hiding them slightly. With the lights off and a torch in their hands, the group has to look for all the word cards.

After all 15 words have been found. Ask them to sit together.

Ask them how they felt about the game. Was it important that there was light? Did the torchlight help? What if there was absolutely no light. Would they be able to find their way around the obstacle course? If there was no light at all would it be possible they got lost / cant find the word cards?

Ask the students to try to create the memory sentence using the words.

Give them hints if needed.

Once the memory verse is formed correctly. Ask each student to read it.

Part 2 – Teaching about God's word

Read psalm 119:105

What does this verse says about God's word?

(God's word is a lamp that guides our feet and a light for our path).

Why is a lamp/ light important when we walk?

(So that we can see, so we go the right way, so we wont fall)

Why is God's word's important in this path of life?

(so that we can go along the right way, so that we wont go the wrong way/ get lost)

God's Word is likened to a lamp because it shows us how to live, God's Word lights the way when life is darkened by our sins, fears, and uncertainties. God's Word shows us how to make right decisions in life, and how to stay on the right path to follow Jesus.

In the bible, Jesus is the Word, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. . . . And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us" (John 1:1,14).

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12).

When we follow Jesus, we can walk in the light.

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one goes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6).

God's word is revealed to us through the bible and Jesus also is God's word as a living example. We must learn to read God's word daily, and ultimately we go on the right path when we follow Jesus.

Part 3 – Practicing Reading God's word.

Worksheet – refer to lampuntofeet memory worksheet /colouring page

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Part 4 – prayer

Take turns praying – Thank you, sorry please. In the thank you section, ask the students to pray based on today's lesson. Eg – Thank you Jesus that your word is like a lamp that guides me.