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FOREWORD

Children hold a special place in the heart of the Lord. Jesus Himself emphasised the importance of children when He said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Mt 19:14). This serves as a powerful reminder that children are valued and loved by God and should be treated with the utmost care and respect. There is always the need to create a safe and nurturing environment for children to thrive and grow, knowing they are cherished members of God's family.

Children are an integral part of the church today. Every family has children, and God's family is no exception. As teachers, you have a unique opportunity and responsibility to teach the children to live in reverence of God. With your guidance, they can understand the sound doctrines and truths found in the Word of God as long as you communicate them in a way that is easy to comprehend.

When we teach our children, it is crucial to remember how Jesus taught His followers. He often used stories to convey important lessons, and we can do same. That is why Bible stories are crucial to our children's education. We want to thoroughly equip them for every good work and help them grow in their faith. May God bless your efforts as you teach and guide these young ones.

I highly encourage pastors to ensure that teachers in the local church get their hands on this syllabus. It is essential for Children's Ministry teachers to make the most of it as we strive to possess nations for God. May God bless you and guide you in your teaching endeavours.

Apostle Eric Nyamekye

(Chairman - The Church Of Pentecost)

INTRODUCTION

As we look back on the past five decades of the Children's Ministry, we recognise the need to update our syllabus to better address the challenges and needs of today's world. As a ministry, one key responsibility is our commitment to providing top-quality education and support for our children through the provision of materials and teaching aids.

Welcome to this syllabus, which has been carefully designed to provide teachers with an easy-to-follow roadmap for teaching important topics to children of all ages. The content of this syllabus is perfectly suited to the needs of each age group and addresses current trends and issues that are relevant to our day and age. With this syllabus in hand, teachers will have all the tools they need to effectively guide children and help them meet their current needs. Teaching children about God and His Word is absolutely essential. The main aim of the Children's Ministry is thus centered on these three important reasons that:

1. They may know God
2. They put their trust in God
3. They live in obedience to Him.

As parents and caregivers, it is important to remember that teaching children about God is more than just sharing Bible stories and facts. We must also instill in them a sense of trust in God and encourage them to follow His teachings by putting them into action. Saying this differently, "All our messages must touch the head (KNOW), the heart (TRUST) and the hands (DO) of the children and all the people to whom we talk". We must strive to ensure that our children will not only know about God, but also develop a true and unwavering trust in Him. Ultimately, only through obedience to His Word can we truly honour and serve God.

As Apostle Paul admonishes Timothy in 2 Timothy 3:15-17 (NIV), so may we also be admonished with these same scriptures in our work as teachers; "...and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which can make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

Pastor Prof. William Otoo Ellis

Director, Children's Ministry

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GUIDELINES FOR USING THE SYLLABUS

i. **Prayer**

- a. Pray and ask for God's WISDOM and LEADING to become a useful instrument in His hands. Depend on the HOLY SPIRIT for DIRECTION.
- b. Pray that the lives of the children will change for the better.
- c. Pray for a smooth and successful lesson preparation and delivery

ii. **Theory of Bible Lessons – (3hs)**

- a. The child must hear and understand the lesson with absolute clarity – Head knowledge
- b. The child must accept the message into his/her heart for a changed life (i.e., to experience and build their faith in God) – Heart knowledge.
- c. More importantly, the message must be obeyed – this is the action part which involves the use of the hands (i.e., witnessing, putting the word into practice) – Hand knowledge.

Introduce the Bible lesson with role play, questioning, illustration, etc., as the main tools to alert and capture the attention of the child.

- iii. **The Story** (List of Events) – It should be told logically and vividly to the understanding of the child.
- iv. **Central Truth** – This is the main truth of the story that must be applied to the heart of the saved and the unsaved child.
- v. **Application** – Apply the lesson to the real life situation of the child. Bear in mind the world of the child. Use actual examples in the process.

- vi. **Invitation** – Here concentrate on the unsaved child appealing to him/her to receive Christ into his or her heart.
- vii. **Review** – Ask questions from the lesson in order to receive feedback from the children. Their response shows the level of their understanding of (i) The story (ii) Central Truth (iii) Application
- viii. **Challenge** – The saved child is encouraged to practice what the lesson (Central Truth) teaches.
- ix. **Prayer** – End the whole lesson with prayer.

EXAMPLE OF HOW TO TEACH A BIBLE LESSON

Text: Acts 3:1-10

Main Truth: There is power in the name of Jesus

Introduction

Mention some of the sicknesses we have on earth. (Children will give all sorts of answers). Are some people born like that? The Bible has a story which we will look at today

List of Events (Tell The Story As It Is)

1. Peter and John went to pray: It was actually the hour of prayer at 3:00pm and two of the disciples of Jesus, Peter and John, went to the temple to pray.
2. A lame man sat begging at the temple: He was over 40 years old (4:22) but was born lame and had never walked. Everyday, someone carried him to the gate. Because giving to a beggar was considered a kind act that would gain favour with God, the temple was a good location for begging.
3. The lame man asked for money: Peter and John did not have money but replied ... "look at us ..., in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk". There is power in the name of Jesus.
4. The lame man walked: The power in the name of Jesus healed the lame man. Peter helped him by the hand; the man jumped up and began to walk. He was able to walk immediately even though he had never learned to walk. A miracle had taken place because Peter mentioned the name of Jesus. There is power in the name of Jesus!

You must continue to pray always in the name of Jesus. Those of you who do not know how to pray must give your lives to Jesus today. The Bible says that at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow. There is real power in the name of Jesus. Always pray and let this power work in your life.

5. He was leaping and praising God: You must give praise to God when a miracle takes place because it is the power in the name of Jesus that brings the miracle and not man.
6. The people wondered: Those who saw that it was the man who begged at the temple who had been healed wondered.

This is the power in the name of Jesus.

NB: In telling the story you do the application, challenge and invitation at the same time. Don't wait till the end of the story. The main truth must be very clear.

EXAMPLE OF HOW TO TEACH A MEMORY VERSE

Memory Verse

Luke 5:24 ... “you may know that the son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins....”

Introduction

If I told you I could pick up a rock and turn it into bread, would you believe? Do I have the power or authority to do it? Of course not, but there is someone who has the authority to do absolutely anything, and that is Jesus, the Son of God. Let us find out about something more special that He has the power to do.

READ: Read Luke 5:24 from the Bible to the hearing of the children. Read Luke 5:24

Explanation

“You may know” – you can absolutely be sure “that the Son of Man...” in the Bible, Jesus Christ – the Son of God - is sometimes called the Son of Man. “Has authority on earth to forgive sins” – Jesus is able to forgive sins because He took the punishment for sin in our stead by dying on the cross, and rose again on the third day. Sin is the bad things you do or even say or think that break God’s laws.

Application

Invitation to the Unsaved: If you have not trusted Jesus to forgive your sins, you can do it today. Jesus has the authority to forgive you if only you will ask Him. I will pray with you to accept Jesus and to trust Him.

Challenge(Saved)

If you already trust Jesus to forgive your sins, remember he has authority, not only to forgive your sins but also those of your friends. You can tell them how God can meet their need for forgiveness when they trust in the Lord Jesus as Saviour.

Drill: Let children recite the verse by using various activities like ... ‘jump and recite’; ‘all those in red shirts recite’, ‘about-turn and recite’, etc. This will get the message across easily.

REVIEW: Ask them questions from the memory verse you have taught.

E.g., What is the meaning of authority?

Who can forgive sins and why?

Who can recite the verse alone?

NB: In your teaching always remember to use the “I READ R” components.

Example of how to Teach a Song

SONG: Why worry, when you can pray. Trust in Jesus and He will lead the way, Don't be like doubting Thomas, But resting on His promise, Why worry, worry, worry, when you can pray”.

Introduction

Mensah sat near the gate of their house very confused. He had been wondering when his parents would pay his school fees. He had been sacked from school for unpaid school fees. What could he do? Worry, worry, worry. But could that solve the problem?

Reading: Go through the words of the song with the children. Pronounce each word properly. Sing through the song once.

Explanation

- i. Worry: Confused and disturbed
- i. Trust in Jesus: Know that Jesus can bring the needed change and guidance.
- iii. Doubting Thomas: Thomas, one of the disciples of Jesus, did not believe when Jesus visited the disciples after His resurrection. You don't have to see before you believe. Know that Jesus will help pay your fees through your parents.
- iv. Resting on His Promise: You must know that Jesus has said; that “I will never leave you nor forsake you” (Hebrews 13:5b). Take Jesus at His word and He will do it for you (Phil. 4:19).

Application

You can always pray by trusting the Lord Jesus Christ instead of sitting down quietly and getting confused – Philippians 4:6. Do not be anxious when you are confronted with problems in life, just pray. If you do not know how to pray, accept Jesus Christ the Lord as your personal friend today. You can always talk to Him as your friend in prayer.

Drill: Teach the song well at this stage. Children will follow you as you sing till they can now sing freely. Let them take turns in singing. E.g., girls, boys, those in red, white dresses, etc.

TEACHING OF MEMORY VERSE OR SONG

Employ the following principles in the teaching of memory verses or songs:

'I Read R'

- a) **I-Introduction** – Introduce the memory verse or song in an interesting way.
- b) **R-Reading**– i. Read the passage to the children fluently
ii. Let some of the children also read.
- c) **E-Explanation** – Explain the relevant words, phrases and concepts well to the children.
- d) **A-Application** – Apply the lessons to real life situations.
- e) **D-Drill** – Practice with different methods until children are able to recite or sing the piece very well.
- f) **R-Review** – Check the understanding of children in the following areas – Explanation (E), Application (A) and Drill (D). Give assignments, based on what has been taught.

Conclusion

1. Children's Ministry teachers should start preparing for the Bible Lesson, Song and Memory Verse long before the day of delivery.
2. The Bible lesson must be approached systematically so that the child would fully grasp the basic Christian doctrine.
3. We believe that this syllabus would be used to bring children to the saving knowledge of Christ and help them grow from grace to grace (Luke 2:52).

TEACHER'S GUIDE

Study these well when preparing your lesson. Read all the scriptures. Use some of this extra material to add to your lesson if it will help the children.

If you teach young children keep the story and the application simple. With older children, especially teenagers, you can go into more detail and explain some of the verses in your Teachers' Notes. Always begin to prepare Sunday's lesson on the previous Monday. Read the Bible passage every day.

Preferably, teachers should meet at least once a month to pray and prepare for each lesson. Each lesson is planned for at least three consecutive weeks, but if necessary, two weeks can be spent on a lesson. Each lesson comprises the Bible story, memory verse and the song. Always revise the previous week's lesson since it may have a direct link to subsequent ones. After teaching the lesson, pray about the practical out-working of the lesson in their lives.

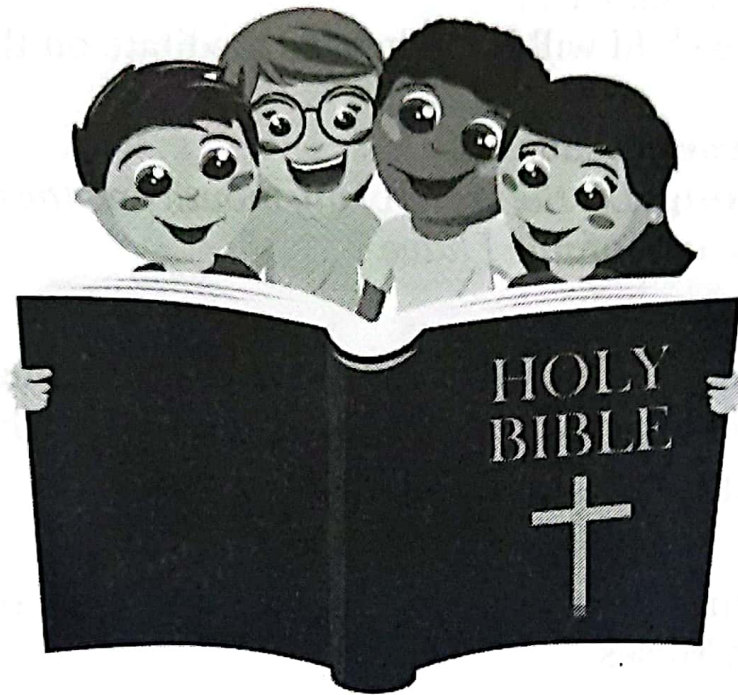
Visual aids are important. If you have a picture of the Bible story or a picture portraying the theme for that week, show it to the children. At times make a model or take an object to use as a visual aid. If you know of a short incident, or an object which is relevant to the lesson, and it will reinforce the AIM, kindly use it. For some weeks, allow the children to dramatise the Bible story. Occasionally have the teachers dramatise the story. Prepare your drama well during the week. Occasionally, take paper and crayons and let the children make a drawing of the lesson. Whenever possible reinforce the lesson using your personal experience. For each quarter (4 times a year), spend a week going over the previous lessons, reciting the memory verses and singing the spiritual songs.

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CHAPTER ONE

THE BIBLE
(THE WORD OF GOD)

LESSON 1

MEDITATION ON THE WORD JOSHUA INSTALLED AS LEADER

Scripture: Joshua 1:1-11

Aim: That the child will learn how to meditate on the Word of God

Memory Verse: Joshua 1:8

Suggested Song: *Let the Word of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable I have*

Introduction

The teacher sits quietly, with hands on head, thinking. He waits a little and asks the children what happened to him/her earlier.

List of Events

1. Joshua installed leader after Moses
2. God's affirmation of giving him the territory of lands he promised Moses
3. God affirms He will be with Joshua always
4. Joshua is encouraged to be strong and courageous. To obey the law, so that he will be successful
5. He is to keep the law on his lips and meditate on it and do everything written in it
6. So Joshua orders the officers of the people to get ready to move

Application

Joshua listens to the Word, to meditate day and night so that he may not do anything wrong against God.

Actual Examples

Always mediate on the Word, this will make you prosperous and successful.

Invitation

You can only meditate on God's Word if you truly have Christ Jesus in your heart. Accept Jesus into your heart now.

Challenge

Read the Bible daily and try to think about it going out or coming back home.

LESSON 2

EZRA COMES TO JERUSALEM

Scripture: Ezra 7:8-10

Aim: That the child would learn to study of the Word of God.

Memory Verse: 2 Timothy 2:15

Suggested Song: *In the Word of God there is power*

Introduction

Can anybody share what he/she learnt in school this week?

List of Events

1. Ezra arrives in Jerusalem in the fifth month of the seventh year of the King Artaxerxes of Persia.
2. He had begun his journey from Babylon for five months for the gracious hand of God was on him.
3. For Ezra had devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the Lord, and to teaching its decrees and laws in Israel.

Application

Ezra devotes himself to study the Word of God. It is always good to join the study of the Word at home and at church.

Actual Examples

Discuss what you learned at Bible study meeting the last time. When you involve yourself in Bible study, you share and learn many things you may not have got reading it alone.

Invitation

You may not have power to study the Bible if you do not have Jesus in your heart. Accept Him as Lord of your heart today and you will get the power to study His Word.

Challenge

Make sure you study the Bible alone after joining the Bible study groups.

DEVOTION TO THE WORD

LESSON 3

THE BEREANS

Scripture: Acts 17: 10-12

Aim: That the child will be devoted to God's Word.

Memory Verse: Acts 17:11

Suggested Song: *The best book to read is the Bible*

Introduction

What will you miss, if you do not have it every day? Example, playing with your phone or eating your delicious food.

List of Events

1. As soon as it was night, the believers sent Paul and Silas away to Berea.
2. On arriving there, they went to the Jewish synagogue.
3. Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true.
4. As a result, many of them believed, as did also a number of prominent Greek women and many Greek men.

Application

The Bereans received the Word and examined the truth in it. God want you to devote yourself to the study of His Word.

Actual Examples

Devote yourself to be a student of the Bible. Can you tell of somebody who is devoted to the Bible?

Invitation

Accept Jesus into your heart and you will be devoted to the Bible

Challenge

Make sure you read the Bible every day.

LESSON 4

EZRA READS THE LAW

Scripture: Nehemiah 8:1-12

Aim: That the child would be encouraged to read the Word of God.

Memory Verse: Roman 10:17

Suggested Song: *Read your Bible, pray every day....*

Introduction

Allow two children to read one of their favourite Bible stories

List of Events

1. The people of Israel assembled.
2. Ezra the Scribe reads the law.
3. The people mourn and weep while listening.
4. Nehemiah and the leaders ask the people not to weep.
5. The Levites calm all the people.
6. The people go away to enjoy themselves.

Application

You have to pay attention to the reading of the Word of God just like Ezra and the people did.

Actual Examples

Read, listen and practice the Word of God.

Invitation

You cannot practice God's Word if you do not believe in Jesus. Accept Him.

Challenge

Make it your duty to read the whole Bible this year by reading some chapters daily.

LESSON 5

MEMORISING THE WORD

Scripture: Psalm 1:1-6

Aim: For the child to learn to memorise the Word of God

Memory Verse: Psalm 1:2

Suggested Song: *W'asem ye me de*

Introduction

Start the class with “quote-I-quote” competition

List of Events

1. God's Spirit sends Philip to the desert to meet the Ethiopian Eunuch.
2. The Eunuch reads God's Word while Philip explains it to him.
3. The Ethiopian Eunuch believes God's Word and is baptized.
4. Philip disappears as the Eunuch continues rejoicing.

Application

The Bible tells us that we are like trees planted by waters. How many memory verses can you say?

Actual Examples

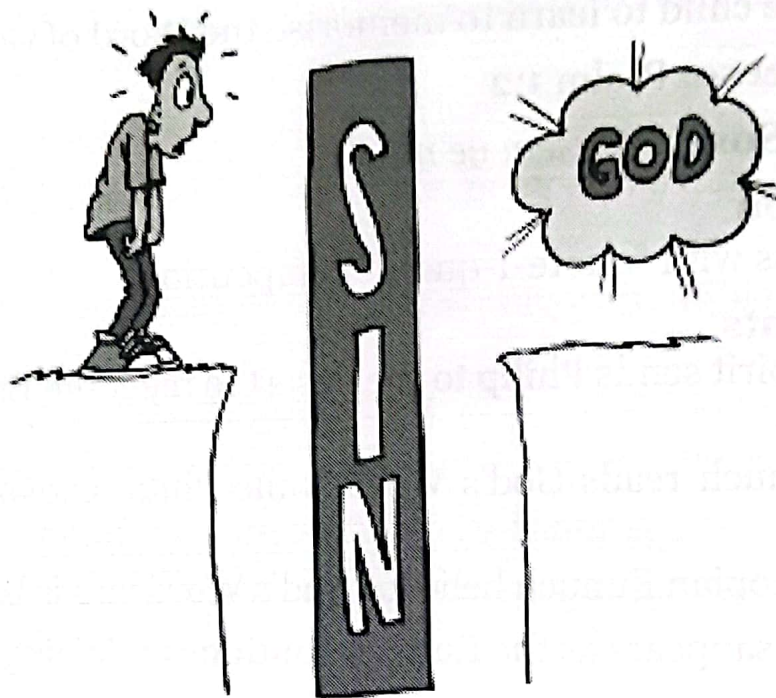
Let every member say this morning memory verse.

Invitation

Accept Jesus to give you strength to memorise His Word

Challenge

Learn as many memory verses as you can for the week.



CHAPTER TWO

SIN

LESSON 6

CONSEQUENCES OF SIN (ADAM AND EVE)

Scriptures: Genesis 3:7-24

Aim: That the child may know that sin causes unhappiness

Memory Verse: Roman 6:23

Suggested Song: *"He sees all you do"*

Introduction

Let children share experiences on how they cherished a precious gift given to them by their parent, and their reactions if a friend steals it. (Allow few feedback)

List of Events

1. God's command to man.
2. Adam and Eve disobey God.
3. God curses the Serpent, Adam and Eve.
4. God clothes Adam and Eve.

Application

Adam and Eve disobey God by sinning and they are separated from God. You should not sin willfully and incur God's displeasure.

Actual Examples

You displease God if you;

1. Disobey your parents
2. Disobey your teachers.
3. Do not tell others about the Word of God.

Invitation

Believing in God and accepting Jesus Christ is the first step to obeying God's command. Also, telling others about His goodness is another way of obeying God.

Challenge

Think about a group of children you would want to talk to about God.

LESSON 7

GEHAZI'S GREED

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:20-26

Aim: To teach children not to covet

Memory verse: 1 John 1:9

Suggested Song: *"And his name was Naaman"*

Introduction

Ask children to talk about the characteristics of a greedy person.

List of Events

1. Naaman, an army commander, is healed.
2. Elisah refuses any gift from Naaman.
3. Gehazi follows Naaman for the gift.
4. Elisah confronts Gehazi.
5. Gehazi lies to Elisah.
6. Gehazi is cursed and he receives the leprosy of Naaman.

Application

Gehazi's greed led to leprosy. God doesn't want His children to suffer, so do not crave for evil things or things that are not yours. Always encourage others to appreciate what they have.

Actual Examples

1. Do not crave for things that belong to your friends.
2. Do not be envious of your friend's position in class.

Inviation

You can ask God to take away all forms of covetousness from your life and that of your friends and siblings, after you have accepted Jesus Christ.

Challenge

Be content with what you have.

LESSON 8

ELISHA AND THE CHILDREN FROM BETHEL

Scriptures: 2 Kings 2:23-25

Aim: That the child will learn not to make fun of people who are physically challenged.

Memory Verse: Psalm 1:1

Suggested Song: *"I will leave for Jesus, day after day"*

Introduction

Tell a story about how some children mocked a blind man. He chased them and one fell down and injured himself.

List of Events

1. Elisha goes to Bethel.
2. Some children made fun of him.
3. He turns to look at them and curses them.
4. They are torn into pieces by two bears.

Application

Some children make fun of Elisha and die. God does not want His children making fun of sick people, be it physically- or mentally-challenged. God loves everybody, He welcomes everyone, whether you are sick or not, so He, expects us, His children, to do same.

Actual Examples

You should not make fun of the cripple, blind, the aged, etc.

Invitation

As you accept Jesus Christ into your life, you have to accept all kinds of people just as they are, and love them as God has commanded.

Challenge

Continue to show respect to all manner of people. Jesus is always ready to help you.

LESSON 9

OVERCOMING SIN – HOLY LIVING

Scripture: Luke 19:1-10

Aim: That the child will know that cheating others is a sin, but repentance brings forgiveness

Memory Verse: Luke 12:15

Suggested Song: *"Zacchaeus was a very little man"*

Introduction

Ask children "What is cheating"? (Allow feedback)

Let children share experiences on being cheated on, and how they felt when they were cheated.

List of Events

1. Jesus Christ enters Jericho.
2. Zacchaeus is a wealthy chief tax collector.
3. Zacchaeus climbs a sycamore tree to see Jesus Christ.
4. Jesus Christ sees and asks him to come down.
5. Jesus Christ goes to Zaccheaus's house but the people are not happy.
6. Zaccheaus confesses his sins.
7. Jesus assures him of salvation.

Application

Zaccheaus stops cheating when he meets Jesus Christ. You and your friends can also stop all the evil acts you are involved in, with the help of Jesus Christ.

Actual Examples

1. You should stop cheating in exams.
2. Stop cheating your friends and younger siblings.

Invitation

When you have Christ in you, you will not like to cheat others. Accept Christ now and He will help you overcome all your evil acts.

Challenge

Share with two friends in school about cheating being a sin.

LESSON 10

THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

Scriptures: John 4:4-30

Aim: To help children admit their sins and turn away from them.

Memory Verse: Isaiah 1:18

Suggested Song: "Se woman rek kae se..."

Introduction

Sing suggested song and explain to children.

List of Events

1. Jesus Christ, passing through Samaria, rests at Jacob's well.
2. Jesus Christ converses with a Samaritan woman.
3. He reveals the woman's secret to her.
4. The woman confesses Jesus Christ is a prophet.
5. The Samaritan woman witnesses about Jesus.

Application

The woman turns away from her sinful life. Jesus can help you do same.

Actual Examples

Jesus can help you turn away from;

1. Bad boys and girls relationship.
2. Disobedience.
3. Cheating.

Invitation

You cannot live a holy life without Jesus Christ. Accept Him now.

Challenge

Witness to five friends in your neighbourhood about Jesus Christ.

LESSON 11

THE DEVIL TEMPTS JESUS

Scriptures: Matthew 4:1-11

Aim: That the child would learn to overcome sin by using the Word of God.

Memory Verse: 1 John 5:4

Suggested Song: *"See the Victory, Christ the Jesus King..."*

Introduction

Let children mention some causes of sin (allow few feedback).

List of Events

1. Jesus Christ fasts in the dessert for forty days and He is tempted by the devil.
2. First temptation and Jesus' response.
3. Second temptation and Jesus' response.
4. Third temptation and Jesus' response.
5. The devil is defeated.

Application

Jesus Christ uses the Word of God effectively to defeat the devil. You can also overcome all sins by studying the Word of God and keeping it in your heart.

Actual Examples

Put children into smaller groups and let them discuss the aspects of temptation at;

- a. Home.
- b. School.

Allow children to share experiences and how they overcame it.

Invitation

You cannot overcome sin without Jesus Christ. Accept Him now.

Challenge

Let children go out on evangelism to tell others about the Word of God.

LESSON 12

MEPHIBOSHETH (DISABILITY BY AN ACCIDENT)

Scriptures: 2 Samuel 4:1-4; 9:1-10

Aim: That the child will know that anyone can acquire a disability even after birth and so show kindness to all persons with disabilities.

Memory Verse: 2 Samuel 9:3

Suggested Song: *"Everywhere He went, He was doing good...
When the cripples saw Him, They started walking."*

Introduction

Discuss with children "persons that are classified to have disabilities." (Allow for feedback).

List of Events

1. Mephibosheth is the son of Jonathan, grandson of King Saul and father of Micha (Mephibosheth was from a royal home).
2. Mephibosheth was five years old when both his father and grandfather died at the Battle of Mount Gilboa.
3. After the death of Saul and Jonathan, Mephibosheth's nurse takes him and flees in panic.
4. In her haste, the child falls, or is dropped while fleeing.
5. After that, Mephibosheth is unable to walk again and then becomes a person with mobility disability
6. When David becomes king after some years later, He seeks after "someone of the house of Saul, to whom He may show the kindness of God" and Mephibosheth is brought to him.
7. David restores Saul's inheritance to Mephibosheth and permits him to live within his palace in Jerusalem.

Application

Mephibosheth was a person with mobility disability and was kept away from the palace, but King David orders his return to the Palace and even grants him the privilege to dine with Him at the same table. He also shows him kindness by giving him the inheritance of his grandfather Saul. We should not look down on people with disabilities, they are human beings and what has happened to them can happen to us as well.

Actual Examples

Pray to God for the heart to show them kindness, you may help the blind to cross the street, assist the wheelchair or crutches users to cross gutters or bridges, and share your food or money with them. Never tease them when they come to school.

Invitation

You can only show an act of kindness to persons with disabilities (PWDs) if you accept Jesus Christ into your life.

Challenge

Consistently show an act of kindness to persons with disabilities (PWDs).



CHAPTER THREE

SALVATION

LESSON 13

SALVATION, PAUL AND SILAS IN PRISON

Scripture: Acts 16:16-40

Aim: To help the Child know that we can possess the nation when we are also saved.

Memory verse: Acts 16:31

Suggested Song: *No you can't get to heaven without S.A.L.V.A.T.I.O.N (3rd Stanza)*

Introduction

Role play of the jailer intending to kill himself

List of Events

1. Paul and Silas meet a girl who has the spirit to predict the future
2. Paul rebukes the spirit by the name of Jesus to leave the girl
3. Paul and Silas are thrown into prison
4. About midnight, Paul and Silas pray and sing hymns to God
5. Suddenly there is a violent earthquake which opens the prison doors
6. The jailer draws a sword to kill himself
7. He believes in the Lord Jesus and gets saved

Application

Paul and Silas preach the Word of God to the jailer and He is saved. You can also tell your friends about Jesus as we possess the nations.

Actual Example

You can only tell others about Jesus if you believe and accept Him as your Lord and Saviour

Invitation

Believe and accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and saviour now so that you can lead others to accept him too.

Challenge

Tell two of your friends in school about Jesus Christ

LESSON 14

THE PRODIGAL SON

Scripture: Luke 15: 11-32

Aim: To teach the child that repentance is a key factor in order to be saved.

Memory Verse: Titus 3:5

Suggested Song: *Blessed assurance Jesus is mine!!*

Introduction

How will you feel if your younger brother is given anything he asks for, even though he was once a disobedient child but repented? If you have a similar story you can share with us. Now let's listen to this Bible story Jesus told his disciples and those who were around Him.

List of Events

1. Jesus Christ tells the story of a rich man who has two sons.
2. The younger son collects his portion of the father's inheritance, goes to a distant land and misuses it.
3. A severe famine comes and he is in need.
4. He decides to return home to his father.
5. The father accepts him and he rejoices.

Application

The prodigal son comes to himself and repents. God wants you to do same when you realise you have sinned

Actual Examples

Remember it's never too late to turn back from your mistake. When you listen to the word of God, always put it into practice. Remember how you felt when your sibling was pardoned, imagine his joy and how relieved he must have felt. That's an example of the feeling one gets when one repents.

Invitation

You must realise you have sinned. Repent and accept Jesus Christ as your Lord today.

Challenge

Today let it be part of your daily activities to help your friends and others to have the taste of repentance. Let's take possession of the world through evangelising.

LESSON 15

SALVATION

Scripture: John 11:17-44

Aim: To help the child know that his salvation is assured so he can possess the nations.

Memory Verse: John 11:25

Suggested Song: *Owu sore, tumi no*

Introduction

“Lazarus, Lazarus, Lazarus come out!” This reminds me of a man in the Bible whose name was...

List of Events

1. Lazarus dies four days before Jesus arrival in Bethany.
2. Martha meets Jesus on the way.
3. Jesus declare himself as the resurrection and life.
4. Jesus weeps because his friend Lazarus is dead.
5. Jesus goes to the tomb where Lazarus is buried and asks them to take the stone away.
6. Jesus raises Lazarus back to life.

Application

You are a believer of Jesus Christ so your salvation is assured, anything may happen to you. Just have faith in God, He will take care of you in all your lifetime on earth.

Actual Example

You have been given assurance of your salvation in Jesus Christ. You need to walk as a good Christian without any fear.

Invitation

Accept the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, allow Him in your heart today and salvation will be yours.

CHALLENGE

Tell your friends about this man Jesus and His salvation message, by that you will be transforming many people.

LESSON 16

NICODEMUS MEETS JESUS

Scripture: John 3:1-12, Roman 6:4-6

Aim: That the child may know what the new birth is.

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Suggested Song: *No you can't go to heaven without S.A.L.V.A.T.I.O.N*

Introduction

Have you seen a new baby before? How does he look like? Share with us.

List of Events

1. Nicodemus is a Pharisee and a member of the Jewish ruling council.
2. He comes to Jesus at night
3. Nicodemus asks Jesus, how one can inherit the kingdom of God?
4. Jesus replies that, unless one is born again, one cannot inherit the kingdom of God
5. Nicodemus asks how this can be?
6. Unless you accept the things of the spirit and be born again, Jesus tells him.

Application

We can possess the nations when we are born of water and the spirit of God

Actual Examples

How will you know you are in the new birth? After you receive the spirit of God and change from your old ways e.g., stealing, insulting, etc.

Invitation

Believe and accept the Lord as your personal Saviour.

Challenge

In order to possess the nation, let's help our friends and family to understand the new birth through our changed lives.

LESSON 17

THE CRIMINALS ON THE CROSS

Scripture: Luke 23:33-43

Aim: To encourage the child not to lose hope and that repentance is for everyone.

Memory Verse: Romans 10:9

Suggested Song: *Oh sinner where will you be when you see Jesus coming...*

Introduction

What actually makes one a criminal? In your opinion, how are criminals punished? Compare it with the Bible story.

List of Events

1. The two criminals on the cross
2. The rulers scoffed (mocked) at Jesus
3. They offered sour wine to Jesus to drink
4. The dialogue between the two criminals to Jesus
5. Jesus' reply to the criminal on the cross.

Application

Don't be like the other criminal, who was fast to mock Jesus. This story shows how important it is to repent even at the last hour. Repentance is for all.

Actual Examples

1. What do you think will happen to the two criminals?
2. From now onwards, what will you do to help your colleague who does what is bad in the sight of God?
3. And what is your decision from now onwards?

Invitation

To be able to achieve what you have decided, first accept Christ as your Lord and personal Saviour, He will answer all your prayers and help you to stay under His feet.

Challenge

Let's come together and help our friends to come to Christ. Do you want to be part of the nation changers? Then let's go and spread the joy of being in the Lord!



CHAPTER FOUR

THE NAME AND BLOOD OF JESUS

LESSON 18

THE SOURCE OF THE NAME

Scripture: Matthew 1:19-23

Aim: The child would know that the name of Jesus can save and transform lives.

Memory Verse: Isaiah 9:6

Suggested Song: *Ne den ne Jesus, Ne den ne Jesus*

Introduction

Who can mention a name and tell us its meaning? (Allow two or three children to give the names)

List of Events

1. Joseph did not want to expose Mary to public disgrace.
2. An angel of the Lord appears to Joseph in a dream.
3. The child will be called Jesus.
4. The prophecy about the name Jesus is fulfilled.
5. The virgin will give birth.

Application

Let the name Jesus which brings salvation and transformation be seen in your day-to-day activities so you can possess your friends for Jesus.

Actual Examples

Your community needs to be transformed by believing in the name of Jesus.

Invitation

Accept Jesus in to your heart; He will save and transform your life.

Challenge

You have to tell everyone about this name Jesus and how He can change lives.

LESSON 19

THE POWER IN THE NAME

Scripture: Philippians 2:9-11

Aim: That the child will know, there is power in the name of Jesus to possess the nations.

Memory: Philippians 2:10

Suggested Song: *There is power, power wonder working power*

Introduction

One day I went to a festival and as the king arrived at the durbar grounds in his palanquin, everyone present, young and old, stood to their feet in reverence as the master of ceremony (MC) shouted the name of the king. This reminds me of a name in the Bible...

List of Events

1. God has exalted Him
2. Given Him the name above every other name.
3. At the name of Jesus...
4. Every tongue shall confess.

Application

God has given Jesus a name above all names; you need to acknowledge that name in your heart.

Actual Example

You need to give honour and respect to Jesus in all your ways, because God has given Him a name above any other name.

Invitation

You need to confess this name Jesus and accept Him as your Lord and personal Saviour and you will be saved.

Challenge

You have to be an agent of transformation by acknowledging that Jesus has been given a name above all names.

LESSON 20

POWER IN THE NAME OF JESUS

Scripture: Acts 3:1-8

Aim: That the child will know there is power in the name of Jesus.

Memory Verse: Acts 3:6

Suggested Song: *Silver and gold I have none*

Introduction

Have you seen a physically-challenged person before? How does he or she look like?

List of Events

1. Peter and John go to pray.
2. There is a lame man at the temple gate.
3. He asks for alms from Peter and John.
4. Peter says, look at us, silver and gold we do not have.
5. Peter helps the lame man up.
6. The lame man is healed.
7. He jumps, walks and praises God.

Application

Anytime you or someone you know is sick, pray in the name of Jesus and there will be healing.

Actual Example

The power in the name of Jesus helps us to possess the nations by praying for the sick.

Invitation

Accept Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, you will have power to pray for the sick and they will receive their healing.

Challenge

Continue praying for the sick in the name of Jesus in your home, community and school. This will help you to be an agent of transformation to possess the nations for Christ.

LESSON 21

THE BLOOD OF JESUS

Scripture: Luke 23: 44-47

Aim: That the child will know the importance of the blood of Jesus as an agent for transformation.

Memory Verse: Hebrews 9: 22

Suggested Song: Oh! The blood of Jesus

Introduction

How do you forgive someone who has offended you? Allow three children to tell their story.

List of Events

1. Darkness covers the land.
2. The sun stops shining.
3. Jesus calls out with a loud voice.
4. The centurion praises the Lord.

Application

The blood of Jesus washes our sins and transforms us so you need to forgive anyone who wrongs you.

Actual Example

You have to tell others about Jesus' blood and the transformation it brings to everyone.

Invitation

Accept Jesus as your personal Saviour and He will transform you.

Challenge

You have been cleansed by the blood of Jesus so walk in Him with a forgiving heart and transform others for Christ.



CHAPTER FIVE

HOLY SPIRIT

LESSON 22

THE BELIEVERS FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture: Acts 4:31-33

Aim: That the children will know that prayer causes the Holy Spirit to come upon them.

Memory verse: Acts 1:8

Suggested Song: *Let the Holy Spirit flow over my soul*

Introduction

Explain briefly to the children, that the Holy Spirit is not meant only for some special children (people) or class of children but for individuals who have repented of their sins, and desire and ask for Him in prayer (Luke 11:13).

List of Events

1. The believers raised their voices in prayer
2. Spoke the Word of God with great boldness
3. The place where they met shook
4. They were filled with the Holy Spirit

Application

The believers prayed and at the end were filled with the Holy Spirit. You can also pray and be filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 4:31), when you give your life to Jesus.

Actual Examples

1. When the Holy Spirit comes upon you: You preach the Good News with boldness.
2. You have the ability to overcome sin.
3. He gives you an insight into the scriptures.
4. He helps you to pray.
5. He is your Intercessor.

Invitation

1. If you want Jesus to baptise you today with the Holy Spirit, then believe in Him and accept Him into your life and your life will not be the same.
2. You also can tell your friends about the Holy Spirit.

Challenge

If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, then you have the assurance of salvation. Jesus Christ expects you to go and tell your friends about him, too.

LESSON 23

PAUL AND THE DISCIPLES

Scripture: Acts 19:1-7

Aim: That the children will know the importance of the Holy Spirit to them, desire for Him and be baptised by Him.

Memory verse: John 20:22

Suggested Song: *Nyame sunsum bra*

Introduction

Teacher to carry a balloon to class.

Blow an air into the balloon.

Ask the children to tell the difference between the normal balloon and the blown balloon.

List of Events

1. The disciples believed in the Lord
2. After the belief in Jesus Christ, they had water baptism in the name of the Lord
3. When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them
4. They spoke in tongues
5. They prophesied

Application

You can also be baptised with the Holy Spirit, if you believe and desire for Him like the disciples did.

Actual Examples

The following steps are to be followed:

- a. Believe the existence of the Holy Spirit.
- b. Ask for the Holy Spirit baptism in prayer with faith until you are convinced of having Him.

- c. After you have received Him into your life, keep using Him.
E.g., speak in tongues whenever you pray
- d. Ask Him to help you in evryone.

Invitation

- 1. If you want the Holy Spirit to baptise you, you have to believe in Jesus Christ and accept Him into your life for the assurance of your salvation.
- 2. You have to tell your friends about Jesus Christ.
- 3. Let your friends know about the Holy Spirit and His importance to you, and vice versa.

Challenge

- 1. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, God wants you to obey His Word. He does not want you to walk alone.
- 2. He has given you the Holy Spirit as your helper so that you can share Jesus Christ with your friends
- 3. Think of one friend to share Jesus Christ with him or her.

LESSON 24

THE SAMARITANS RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture: Acts 8:14-20

Aim: That the children will know that, they can receive the Holy Spirit, no matter their location, colour, form or race.

Memory verse: John 14:16-17

Suggested Song: *Sweep over my soul*

Introduction

Teacher to explain to the children that the Holy Spirit is a free gift to all human races, just as the air we breathe is free. The only way to get Him is to first of all believe and also desire for Him, after full repentance.

He is not an item sold on the market to be bought with money.

List of Events

1. Peter and John prayed for the Samaritans who accepted the Word of God to receive the Holy Spirit.
2. John and Peter placed their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.
3. When Simon saw that the Holy Spirit was given at the laying of the Apostle's hands he offered them money for Him.
4. Peter answered and said, "May your money perish with you because you thought you could buy the gift of God with money".

Actual Examples

Ask the Holy Spirit to grant you an insight into the Word of God.

Bear in mind that, the Holy Spirit is a free gift to all children including you. Call on Him to give you a touch of His fullness.

Also bear in mind that nothing about the Holy Spirit is sold.

Invitation

1. If you want the baptism of the Holy Spirit, then you have to accept Jesus Christ into your life and you will be saved.
2. If you already have the baptism of the Holy Spirit, speak in tongues so that everybody will know that you have Him.
3. Make the Holy Spirit known to everyone that comes your way.

Challenge

If you have the baptism of the Holy Spirit, then you have to tell your friends about the Holy Spirit and how important He is to them when playing games with them, at school, when travelling with them.

LESSON 25

REPENTANCE AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture: Acts 2.37-39

Aim: That the children would know that repentance leads to forgiveness of sin. And the forgiveness of sin makes way for the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Memory verse: Roman 8:9-10

Suggested Song: *Come into my heart*

Introduction

Teacher to ask the children anything they know about the Holy Spirit.

Teacher to establish the fact that, repentance is highly recommended when it comes to things pertaining the Holy Spirit.

List of Events

1. The people of Israel asked “what shall we do”
2. Peter replied, “repent and be baptised, every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of yours sins.
3. Receive the gift of the Holy Spirit

Application

Repent of your sins and look forward to the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Actual Examples

- a. Confess your sins to Jesus
- b. Open up to the infilling of the Holy Spirit
- c. Always ask for the forgiveness of your sins.

Invitation

1. If you want to receive the Holy Spirit into your life, then accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and personal Saviour
2. Tell your friends about the Holy Spirit, too.

Challenge

1. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Saviour, God wants you to obey His Word always. He does not want you to live without the Holy Spirit. He wants you to use the Holy Spirit to share Him with your friends.
2. Think about two friends you can share with them about Jesus Christ.

LESSON 26

THE HOLY SPIRIT SPEAKS TO PHILIP

Scripture: Acts 8:29-31

Aim: That the children will know that the Holy speaks, leads, helps us to understand difficult things.

Memory verse: John 16:8-9

Suggested song: *Hye me mma me Nyame Hye me mma*

Introduction

Teacher to ask the children whether when they read the Bible they do understand it.

If yes, it must have been the doing of the Holy Spirit. If they don't understand, they need the Holy Spirit, who spoke to Philip to interpret the scripture to the Ethiopian Eunuch.

List of Events

1. The Holy Spirit speaks to Philip
2. He asks Philip to go to a specific point, thus the Chariot
3. The Ethiopian Eunuch is reading the scripture
4. He is not understanding the scripture
5. Philip who is filled with the Holy Spirit has to help him out

Application

1. You can hear the Holy Spirit speak to you just as Philip was spoken to.

Actual Examples

1. Ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you
2. Rely on Him for insight
3. Ask Him to teach you the truth
4. Trust in Him for everything

Invitation

1. Do you want the Holy Spirit to speak to you as He did to Philip? Then accept Jesus Christ into your life for the assurance of your salvation
2. Tell your friends about the saving power of Jesus Christ and make Him known to your friends
3. Let your friends know about the transformational effects of the Holy Spirit to you and to them.

Challenge

1. If you have accepted Jesus Christ into your life as your personal Saviour, then God wants you to tell your friends about Him too.
2. God has given you the Holy Spirit to drive away fear and to give you boldness to be able to tell friends or colleagues about Him the more.

LESSON 27

THE HOLY SPIRIT FALLS ON THE GENTILES, TOO

Scripture: Acts 10:44-47

Aim: That the children would know that the Holy Spirit is not meant for special group of people but to all those who believe.

Memory verse: Ephesians 4:30

Suggested Song: *Let the Spirit of the Lord come down*

Introduction

Teacher to explain to the children that, the Holy Spirit is not very much interested in race, colour, height or background but interested in everyone who believes in Him and desires for Him.

List of Invents

1. The Holy Spirit came on all those who heard the message
2. The circumcised believers were surprised that, the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles.
3. They heard them speak in tongues and praise God
4. They have received the Holy Spirit just like we have.

Application

1. Speak in tongue each day you pray.

Actual Examples

1. Ask the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit to have your heart circumcised.
2. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the utterance to speak in tongues

Invitation

1. Do you want to speak in tongues? Then accept the Lord Jesus Christ into your life as your Saviour and Master for the assurance of your salvation.

2. In your day-to-day prayers, let speaking in tongues become part and parcel of you and let everyone that comes into contact with you know about the importance of the Holy Spirit to you and vice versa

Challenge

1. Since one of the primary objectives of the Holy Spirit baptism is soul-winning, God expects you to tell your friends about Him, be it at the cinema hall, game Centre, stadium or football field, market places, etc.
2. And also tell your friends or your colleagues about the Holy Spirit and what He is capable of doing.

LESSON 28

JESUS BAPTISES WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Scripture: John 20:19-23

Aim: That the children will know that the Holy Spirit is given by Jesus and not by any human being.

Memory verse: 1 Corinthians 2:10-12

Suggested Song: *Hwie hwie hwie gu yen so*

Introduction

Teacher to ask the children “How many of you have felt the air before”? Jesus out of love breathes the Holy Spirit onto anybody who believes Him and desires for Him.

List of Events

1. The disciples were together with the doors locked for the fear of the Jews
2. Jesus came and stood among them and said “Peace be with you!”
3. Disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.
4. He Jesus breathed on them and said “Receive the Holy Spirit”.

Application

1. Focus on the Holy Spirit in prayer till you feel His presence this week

Actual Examples

- a. Ask Jesus to breathe on you to receive the Holy Spirit
- b. Ask Him to strengthen you when you are in trouble or afraid

Invitation

1. If you want Jesus Christ to breathe upon you to receive the Holy Spirit just as He did to the disciples, then believe in Him today as your Lord and your personal Saviour.

2. You too have to tell your friends about Jesus and His saving power to three of your friends
3. He gave you the Holy Spirit to talk more about Him to all.

Challenge

1. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour, God wants you to obey him. God does not want you to walk alone, so He has given you a better friend called the Holy Spirit who will always be with you forever.
2. Jesus Christ wants you to go out there and tell your friends about Him. Think about two people you have not spoken with, and share with them about Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

LESSON 29

WATER BAPTISM, HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM AND THEIR IMPORTANCE

Scripture: Luke 3:21-22

Aim: That the children will know that the Holy Spirit can descend upon them at any point in time.

Memory verse: Luke 12:2

Suggested Song: *Soro aburuburo san bra me kra mu bio*

Introduction

Teacher to explain the difference between the Holy Spirit baptism and water baptism.

List of Events

1. When all the people were being baptised, Jesus too was baptised.
2. A voice came from above
3. The Holy Spirit descended on Him in a bodily form like a dove.

Application

Pray for the Holy Spirit until you feel His presence in your life.

Actual Examples

Ask the Holy Spirit to descend on you too just as Jesus experienced.

Invitation

If you want the Holy Spirit to descend upon you just as Jesus Christ experienced, then believe and accept Him today into your life as your Lord and personal Saviour.

You have to make Him known to your friends and colleagues since He wants you to obey Him.

Challenge

1. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and personal Saviour, God expects you to obey His Word always. He does not want you to fall away from Him.
2. He, out of love, has given you the Holy Spirit as your guide and power to help you tell more of Him to your friends or colleagues.
3. Think of three of your friends and share with them about Jesus Christ.

LESSON 30

THE HOLY SPIRIT SPEAKS

Scripture: Acts 13:1-4

Aim: That the children will know that the Holy Spirit speaks to us.

Memory verse: Acts 1:8

Suggested Song: *N'ahooden beye ne tumi beye*

Introduction

Call one child and whisper a word into his/her ear and ask him/her to say it to the gathering.

List of Events

1. They worshipped the Lord and fasted
2. The Holy Spirit said, separate now for me Barnabas and Paul, for the work which I have called them for.
3. They were sent out to Seleucia by the Holy Spirit.

Actual Examples

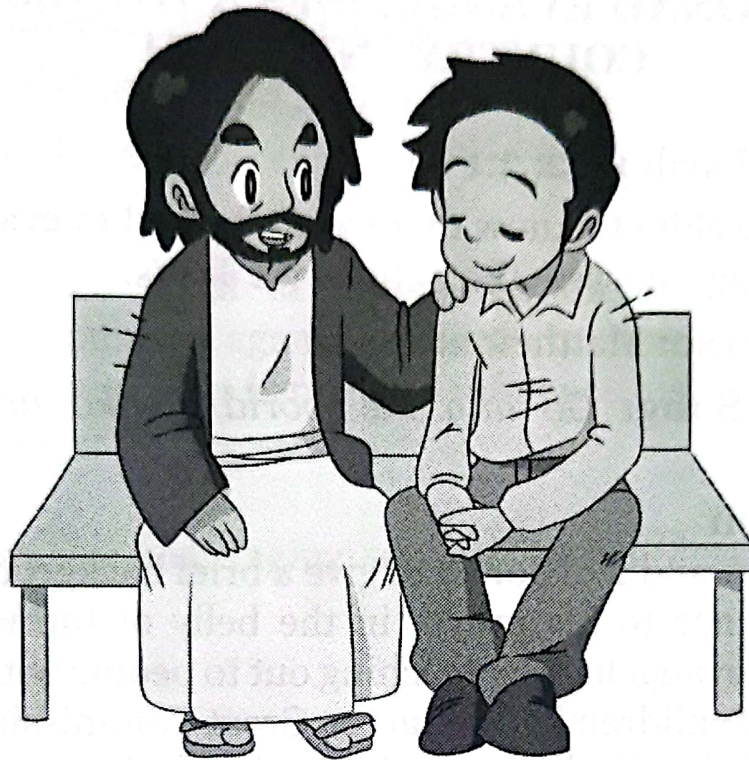
1. Ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you
2. Let Him direct your steps everyday.

Invitation

1. If you want to hear more often of the Holy Spirit speaking to you just as it happened in the days of Paul and Barnabas, you have to accept Jesus Christ into your life today as your personal Saviour.
2. You too have to make Jesus Christ the Saviour known to your friends.

Challenge

1. If you have accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and personal Saviour, God wants you to obey His Word always.
2. He wants you to go out there to make Him known to your friends too so that they may be saved.



CHAPTER SIX

EVANGELSIM

WHAT IS EVANGELISM?

LESSON 31

JONAH EVANGELISES A WHOLE COUNTRY - NINEVEH

Scripture: Jonah 1:1-2; 3:1-10

Aim: For the child to know that we are tasked to evangelise the whole world and possess the nations for Jesus.

Memory Verse: Matthew 28:19-20

Suggested Song: *Go into the world/Monko wiase aman nyinaa*

Introduction

Use chapters 1 and 2 of Jonah to give a brief background; - from his disobedience to his prayer in the belly of the whale. This defines what evangelism is; reaching out to people with the Good News. Let the children know that the Great Commission involves children, and that God is expecting and counting on us to fulfill our part.

List of Events

1. Jonah obeyed God's call to evangelism
2. Jonah presented the Good News in a warning form to the people of Nineveh.
3. The people believed God, accepted the message and repented.
4. God forgave and withdrew his anger against Nineveh.

Application

Jonah eventually allowed himself to be used to proclaim God's Word and he had results. You must use every opportunity available to you to spread the Good News to people in every corner.

Actual Examples

Discuss these possible means of evangelism:

- a. Friend-to-friend (by the wordless book).
- b. Good behaviour (by your character).
- c. Through distribution of gospel tracts
- d. Prayer for the sick.

Invitation

Jonah became an agent of transformation. Jesus is calling you, too, to become an agent of transformation to save other people's souls/lives. Who is ready to influence his/her school or community today?

Challenge

There is much joy in bringing souls to Christ. Jesus Christ is counting on you.

TYPES OF EVANGELISM

LESSON 32

PHILIP EVANGELISES THE ETHIOPIAN EUNUCH

Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

Aim: For the child to know that personal evangelism is part of our duty to possess the nations

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Suggested Song: *W'asem ye me de*

Introduction

A drama of two people talking. Talking to people one-on-one about Jesus is called personal evangelism.

List of Events

1. God's Spirit sent Philip to the desert to meet the Ethiopian Eunuch.
2. The Eunuch read God's Word while Philip explained it to him.
3. The Ethiopian Eunuch believed God's Word and was baptized.
4. Philip disappeared as the Eunuch continued rejoicing.

Application

Philip took his time and explained the scriptures to the Ethiopian Eunuch. You can also take your time and share Jesus with your friends at school, home or at the playing grounds.

Actual Examples

Allow yourself for God to direct you to whom you can share the Good News with.

Invitation

You cannot lead people to Jesus Christ whiles you yourself have not changed from your sinful way of life - unless you believe and accept the Lord Jesus Christ first.

Challenge

Your continuous daily walk in the Word of God should change your life completely (1 Timothy 4:2).

VALUE OF THE SOUL I

LESSON 33

CORNELIUS AND HIS HOUSEHOLD

Scripture: Acts 10:24-44

Aim: That the child will know how to impart the values and principles of the Kingdom of God into a family.

Memory Verse: Acts 13:47

Suggested Song: *Wombo dawuro nkodu*

Introduction

Let the children share a few experiences about how they got saved.

List of Events

1. Peter and others set off to Cornelius's house.
2. Cornelius and his relatives were ready when they arrived.
3. Cornelius narrated his experiences to Peter.
4. Peter presented the Good News to the gathering.

Application

You can be filled with the values and principles of the Kingdom of God when you first invite Jesus into your life.

Actual Examples

The following are to be followed:

- a. Desire for house-to-house evangelism.
- b. Establishment of Children's Community Club
- c. Believe that you can do the work of an Evangelist

Invitation

You need to show interest in raising children in your neighbourhood in the values and principles of the Kingdom of God

Challenge

Are you ready to take the gospel to your community? Are you ready to evangelise the next door neighbour? Jesus is calling you.

VALUE OF THE SOUL II

LESSON 34

THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Scripture: Luke 10:30-37

Aim: To encourage the child to value others and be concerned about their needs.

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:9

Suggested Song: *It is a great thing to serve the Lord*

Introduction

Discuss with the children ways in which they can help others.

List of Events

1. A man was travelling from Jerusalem to Jericho.
2. Robbers attacked him.
3. A priest and a Levite passed by, but ignored him.
4. A Samaritan had pity on and cared for the man.

Application

There is much blessing in helping those in need just like the Samaritan did. God wants you to show concern for others.

Actual Examples

Show concern for others;

- a. by helping them in their studies
- b. by caring for the sick, the needy and the aged
- c. by helping in church activities.

Invitation

Accept Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour and you can help and value others better.

Challenge

Have you been concerned about others? If yes, continue. If not, start now.

VALUE OF A SOUL III

LESSON 35

ONESIMUS

Scripture: Philemon 8–22

Aim: That the child would learn to bring peace where there is misunderstanding.

Memory Verse: Matthew 5: 9

Suggested Song: *Yeye anuanom wo Yesu Kristo mu*

Introduction

Explain the meaning of Onesimus – Onesimus means; profitable, useful.

List of Events

1. Paul meets Onesimus in prison.
2. The conversion of Onesimus.
3. Onesimus served, Paul faithfully in prison.
4. Paul sends Onesimus back to his master after his release from prison.
5. Paul appeals to Onesimus's master, Philemon, to accept Onesimus.

Application

Follow Paul's example by bringing peace wherever there is misunderstanding.

Actual Examples

Discuss some situations in which children can bring peace.

- a. among friends (peer groups)
- b. among neighbours
- c. among parents and family members

Invitation

The death and resurrection of Christ have brought peace and reconciled mankind to God. Repent and accept Him as your Lord and Saviour.

Challenge

It is your Christian duty to foster peace among those who disagree with one another – Matthew 5:9.

IMPORTANCE OF EVANGELISM

LESSON 36

A SERVANT GIRL TO HER MASTER

Scripture: 2 Kings 5: 1-14

Aim: That the child would learn and know how to testify about Jesus Christ to others in wherever he/she may find him/herself

Memory Verse: 1 Peter 3:15

Suggested Song: *Doing the work of the Lord....*

Introduction

Demonstrate how to witness using the wordless book.

List Of Events

1. Naaman, a successful army general, was a leper.
2. A captive Jewish girl witnessed about God's power.
3. Naaman and his servants went to Israel.
4. Elisha's instruction.
5. Naaman's reaction.
6. The healing of Naaman.

Application

Be bold and witness to others at the least opportunity just like the Jewish girl did.

Actual Examples

Witness to:

- a. your mates at school
- b. your neighbours and playmates.
- c. external family members

Invitation

You can be more useful to God by accepting His Son as your LORD and personal Saviour. Repent and accept Him today.

Challenge

Make every effort to witness to all and sundry

SHARING YOUR FAITH

LESSON 37

THE LEPERS OF SAMARIA

Scripture: 2 Kings 7: 3-10

Aim: To let the child know that he/she must share the Good News in all situations.

Memory Verse: 2 Timothy 4:2

Suggested Song: *Onua kyereme w'anigye*

Stop and let me tell you, what the Lord has done for me

Introduction

Demonstrate the behaviour of a leper.

List of Events

1. Four lepers enter the Syrian camp.
2. They find the camp deserted.
3. They eat and drink and hide treasures found.
4. They proclaim the Good News to the city.

Application

God can use you to help others in time of difficulties, just like He used the lepers. Don't be selfish with the Gospel or the Good News. Tell your friends the treasures you found in Jesus.

Actual Examples

In what ways can you share the Good News? Share the gospel while; a. at play b. at school c. at home, etc.

Invitation

The greatest sin is to refuse Jesus Christ as your Saviour. Repent, believe and accept Him into your heart now.

Challenge

Is your life a blessing to the community? What can you do to be a blessing to others?

WHY SHOULD ONE EVANGELISE?

LESSON 38

PHILIP AND NATHANIEL

Scripture: John 1: 43-49

Aim: That the child would learn to present the gospel to close relatives.

Memory Verse: Luke 8:39

Suggested Song: *Nnipa nyinaa besi*

Introduction

Share a short intercessory prayer for non-Christian families.

List of Events

1. Jesus Christ found Philip in Galilee.
2. Philip witnessed to Nathaniel.
3. Nathaniel's response.
4. Jesus Christ's revelation about Nathaniel.
5. Nathaniel believed.

Application

Philip took the Good News to his family member. You should also use every opportunity to share the Good News with family members who need Christ.

Actual Example

Witness with your lifestyle at home.

Invitation

Accept Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour and use your new life to witness at home.

Challenge

What do you use your leisure hours for? Learn from Philip, and witness to others, especially those in your household.

LEADING A PERSON TO SALVATION

LESSON 39

THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

Scripture: John 4:4-30

Aim: To help the child admit his/her sin and turn away from it.

Memory Verse: Isaiah 1:18

Suggested Song: *Sɛ wonam reko kae sɛ...*

Introduction

Teach the children the Twi song, explain it and link it with the story.

List of Events

1. Jesus Christ passing through Samaria rests at Jacob's well.
2. Jesus Christ converses or talks with a Samaritan woman.
3. Jesus Christ reveals the Samaritan woman's secret to her.
4. The Samaritan woman confesses Jesus Christ as a Prophet.
5. The Samaritan woman witnesses about Christ.

Application

The woman turns away from her immoral (sinful) life. Jesus can help you do same.

Actual Examples

Jesus Christ can help you turn away from; a. bad boys' and girls' relationship b. disobedience.

Invitation

You cannot live a holy life without Christ. Accept Him today.

Challenge

As a child of God, never do anything that will be a bad example to others. With the help of the Holy Spirit, make all efforts to live a holy life (that is a life without sin).



CHAPTER SEVEN

PRAYER

LESSON 40

PRAYER

Scripture: Habakkuk 1:12-17, Habakkuk 2:1-2

Aim: For the child to know that we can pray to possess the nations for Jesus Christ.

Memory Verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Suggested Song: *Read your Bible*

Introduction

Prayer is talking with God our heavenly Father. It means talking to God and listening to Him to talk back to us.

List Of Events

1. Habakkuk made a complaint to God.
2. He waited patiently, expecting God to speak back to him.
3. God indeed came and spoke back to him.

Application

Habakkuk eventually made a complaint in prayer to God and waited for God to speak back to him. You can also pray to God to possess the nations.

Actual Example

As an agent of transformation when you pray to God, wait to hear Him speak back as Habakkuk did.

Invitation

Believe and accept Jesus Christ now so that He can answer your Prayer As An Agent Of Transformation.

Challenge

Jesus answers prayer so keep on praying. Think of a friend in your area that you will talk to about prayer.

LESSON 41

ISAAC'S PRAYER

Scripture: Gen. 25:21

Aim: To encourage the child to pray for others as we possess the nations.

Memory verse: Isaiah 65:24

Suggested Song: *He is able, abundantly able*

Introduction

Kofi was accused falsely of stealing. He prayed together with his Christian friends and the money was found later.

List of Events

1. Isaac prays to God on behalf of his wife
2. The Lord answers his prayer
3. Rebekah becomes pregnant.

Application

Isaac prayed for his wife Rebekah and God made her bear a child. As an agent of transformation you can also pray for others as we possess the nations.

Actual Example

Always pray for others who are in need, just as Isaac did

Invitation

Believe and accept Jesus Christ now and be saved to be able to pray for others.

Challenge

Keep on praying for your needs and those of other people.

LESSON 42

ESTHER'S PRAYER

Scripture: Esther 5:1-8

Aim: To teach the child that God responds to prayer

Memory Verse: Jeremiah 33:3

Suggested Song: *He is a miracle working God*

Introduction

Joe asked his father for a new book to take to school and the father gave it to Him.

List of Event

1. Esther asked the king to allow Haman come to the banquet she had prepared

Application

Esther made a request and it was granted her. You can also ask God for your needs and He will answer you.

Actual Example

Direct your present, future needs (food, school, and clothing) to God

Invitation

Believe and receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour and you can direct all your needs to Him as an agent of transformation.

Challenge

Find two friends in your area and tell them that, they can direct all their needs to Jesus Christ in prayer.

LESSON 43

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Scripture: Acts 3:1-10

Aim: For the child to know the power in prayer and how prayer helps in possessing the nations.

Memory verse: Mark 16:17

Suggested Song: *I have a very big God*

Introduction

Use Acts 3:1-10 to explain the power of prayer to the children.

List of Events

1. Peter and John were going to the temple to pray.
2. The crippled man at the beautiful gate asked them for alms.
3. Peter and John did not have money
4. Peter and John prayed for him and he was healed.
5. The crippled man became happy and went about praising God.

Application

Just as peter and john prayed in the name of Jesus for the crippled man to be healed, you can also pray for friends, parents and teachers to accept Jesus Christ.

Actual Example

1. Pray during examinations.
2. When traveling.
3. Pray for your sick family members and everybody.

Invitation

There is power in prayer for those who believe. Believe and accept the Lord Jesus Christ today.

Challenge

Tell your friends about the power of prayer today

LESSON 44

DANIEL'S PRAYER LIFE

Scripture: Daniel 6:1-10

Aim: That the child will know how to pray to God.

Memory Verse: Daniel 6:10

Suggested Songs: *Read your Bible, Pray everyday*

Introduction

What is prayer? Allow children to discuss what prayer is

List of Events

1. Daniel called the 120 satraps
2. Daniel became distinguished above all the other high officials and satraps
3. The high officials and the satraps sought to find a ground for complaint against Daniel
4. They did not find any grounds for complaint against Daniel
5. The high officials and satraps agreed that the king should establish and enforce an order,
6. The king enforces the order
7. Daniel violated the order and prayed to his God three times a day.

Application

Daniel's consistent prayer distinguished him among his peers. Learn to pray to God always like Daniel.

Actual Examples

pray to God for academic excellence, pray to God for the gift of life, Pray to God for your families, pray to God when you are sick, pray in all difficult situations, etc.

Invitation

You can have the courage to pray if you accept Jesus Christ into your life. Give your life to Jesus now.

Challenge

Be consistent in prayer

Assignment

Pray and commit yourself before you go to school (Morning), when you come home pray to Jesus and thank the Lord (afternoon)

And, finally, pray and commit yourself to God before you sleep (night).

LESSON 45

THE DISCIPLES INTERCEDE FOR PETER

Scripture: Acts 12:1-11

Aim: That the child will know how to intercede for others

Memory Verse: James 5: 16

Suggestion Song: *Prayer is the Key*

Introduction

Call one child to pray for the Chairman of The Church of Pentecost as he leads the possessing the nations agenda

List of Events

1. King Herod arrested church leaders and prosecuted them
2. Peter too was arrested during the festival of unleavened bread and was put in prison
3. The church earnestly prayed for him
4. An angel of the Lord appeared and a light shown in the cell
5. The angel of the Lord led Peter out of the prison.

Application

The disciples interceded for Peter whiles he was in prison and the Lord sent His angels to rescue him. So as a child of God pray for others who are in need.

Actual Examples

Pray for people in authority, church leaders, parliamentarians, chiefs, etc. Pray for your neighbours, parents, friends, teachers, etc.

Invitation

Believe and receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour so that you can direct your prayers to Him.

Challenge

This week, Jesus wants you to pray for your families, church leaders and your teachers.

LESSON 46

GOD ANSWERS HANNAH'S PRAYER

Scripture: 1 Samuel 1:1-17

Aim: That the child will know that there is power in prayer

Memory Verse: 1 John 5: 14

Suggestion song: *What a friend we have in Jesus*

Introduction

Why do people pray?

List of Events

1. Hannah had no child
2. Hannah wept and prayed to the Lord
3. Eli met Hannah in the temple praying
4. God answered Hannah's prayer

Application

Hannah trusted God and directed all her needs to Him in prayers. You must also look to God in prayer for all your needs to be supplied.

Actual Examples

Direct your present and future needs to God. For example, school fees, clothing, food, academic success, etc.

Invitation

Believe and receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour so that you can direct your prayers to Him.

Challenge

Pray at all times for your needs to be met

LESSON 47

THE PHARISEE AND THE PUBLICANS' PRAYER

Scripture: Luke 18:10-14

Aim: That the child will know the right attitude towards prayer

Memory Verse: Proverbs 15:19

Suggested Song: *Se me bue mano*

Introduction

One early morning, Kojo Fosu angrily shouted to the father when requesting money for school. He was angry because he did not wake up early and was already late for school. What do you think will be the father's reaction? Allow three children to respond.

List of Events

1. Two men went to the temple to pray
2. The Tax collector pleaded for mercy
3. Because he was a sinner
4. The tax collector went home justified before God

Application

Your attitude to prayer must be a humble one, just like the tax collector's

Actual Examples

Pray to God with a pure mind in humility and in faith.

Invitation

Accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and personal Saviour and you will have the right attitude to prayer

Challenge

Continue to pray in the fear of God and in all reverence

LESSON 48

JESUS' PRAYER AT GETHSEMANE

Scripture: Matthew 26:36-45

Aim: To encourage the child to ask for strength to be able to pray fervently

Memory Verse: Luke 5: 17

Suggest Song: *Se wobe som Nyame yie*

Introduction

Teacher, conduct a role play on fervent prayer and link it to the story

List of Events

1. Jesus and His disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane
2. Jesus went with Peter and the two sons of Zebedee
3. Jesus went further to pray
4. Jesus encouraged them to pray

Application

You have to make effort to observe a consistent prayer, no matter how busy you become

Actual Examples

Jesus, the Son of God, never left out prayer in His entire life and every condition. The Holy Spirit strengthened Him in prayer.

Invitation

You can only make a fervent prayer a habit when you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ

Challenge

You can pray every day in every condition. The Spirit of God is with you to strengthen you.



CHAPTER EIGHT

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES (LGBTQ+)

LESSON 49

GOD HATES IMMORAL ACTS

Scripture: Genesis 19:1-10

Aim: At the end of the lesson, the child will be able appreciate that God does not like immoral acts

Memory Verse: Romans 1:22

Suggested Song: *God made me; I am fearfully made*

Introduction

Today in our society people want to do things their own way. Men and women want to have sex with the same gender. In today's lesson we are looking at what the men of Sodom and Gomorrah did and how displeased the Lord was with their attitude.

List Of Events

6. Two angels went to Sodom and Gomorrah one evening.
7. Lot invited the angels to his house.
8. The men in the Sodom and Gomorrah attacked them to have sex with them.
9. Lot, a godly man tried to resist the attack.
10. The Lord caused the attacking men to be blind.

Application

It is good to receive visitors with love and treat them fairly. Note that God does not like boys to have sex with boys and girls having sex with girls. However, God is pleased with sexual relations among married couples.

Actual Examples

It is not appropriate for anyone to touch or play with your private parts, for example; kiss your lips, touch your buttocks insert his/her fingers or objects in your private part.

Invitation

If you do not know Jesus, people can lead you to engage in immoral acts. Trust in Jesus Christ to help you live a moral life that pleases God.

Challenge

As you leave here, stand by God's standard of creation and let no one by any means deceive you to engage in immoral acts.

LESSON 50

GOD PUNISHES IMMORAL ACTS

Scripture: Genesis 19:1-25

Aim: At the end of the lesson, the child will be able to learn that God does not like immoral acts and will punish people involved.

Memory Verse: Leviticus 20:13

Suggested Song: *I have decided to follow Jesus!*

Introduction

Will anyone sin and go unpunished? The Lord brings wrath on people sometimes to show His displeasure.

List of Events

1. Lot invited the angels to his house.
2. The men in Sodom and Gomorrah attempted to have sex with them.
3. The Lord caused the men to go blind.
4. The Angels told Lot's family to leave the land of Sodom and Gomorrah because the Lord was going to destroy them.
5. The Lord brought fire from the heavens to consume the people of Sodom and Gomorrah.

Application

It is good to receive visitors with love and treat them fairly. Note that God does not like boys to have sex with boys and girls having sex with girls. However, God is pleased with sexual relations among married couples.

Actual Examples

Lesbians: Females having sex with fellow females.

Gays: Males having sex with fellow males.

Bisexuals: Those individuals who have sex with persons of their gender and those of the opposite sex.

Transgender: Males who feel they should have been born females and express themselves as females and those born females who think of themselves as males and express themselves as such.

Transsexual: When a transgender goes through surgery or medical treatment to permanently change their sex of birth to the opposite one.

NOTE: Some boys may naturally look like girls and vice versa. Do not make fun of them because they are also created in the image of God.

Invitation

If you do not know Jesus, people can lead you to engage in immoral acts. Trust in Jesus Christ to help you live a moral life that pleases God.

Challenge

As you leave here, stand by God's standard of creation and let no one by any means deceive you to engage in immoral acts.