






FOLLOWERS – LESSON PLAN

Age	Term	Mod.	Module Theme	Module Title	Lesson Number and Title
7	3	6	MISSION	COURAGE IN GOD	24. Not fearing evil

Use the syllabus framework to complete above. Infants: 20 minutes; Juniors: 30 minutes; Middles & Seniors: 45 minutes
(Mod. = Module Number, Module Theme - in the heading, Module Title - uppercase in the cell, Lesson Num [NO. column] and Title)

							
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Tick the appropriate box(es) above [copy this: ☒] for the modes of learning being used in this session.

Prayer: O God of truth, prepare our minds to hear and heed your holy word; Fill every heart that longs for you With your mysterious presence, Lord. Almighty Father, with your Son And blessed Spirit, hear our prayer. Amen.

Starter: Distribute the lyrics and sing the song with the children. Follow the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zRvCUz6KFB4>

Learning objectives: To understand that God protect us against all evil, therefore we shouldn't fear any evil.

Core Activities and Learning

Introduction: Ask children: Do you have any fears?

Say that our fears can be irrational at times because often we fear things that we have no need to fear and we often have no fear of things we ought to fear. One example is that of a fear of heights which is really a fear of falling, but that fear is good because it keeps a person from taking too great a risk. You can believe in gravity and still have a fear of it (from falling) so fear doesn't change what is true. Our fear of falling keeps us alive, for example if you don't use caution in climbing you fall and break your neck (or die!). From one degree to another, everyone has a healthy fear of something, like a fear of higher insurance which causes them to slow down in a school zone, we slow down to protect the lives of the children. As long as it's not a debilitating and paralyzing fear, fear is a good thing, for the preservation of life, like your own!

Ask: As Christians should we fear evil? Do you believe that God is stronger than any evil force?

Allow their answers, and in your answers, you can include the following: God is greater and stronger than any evil spirit. He is the Creator of everything and the One that controls and have dominion over everything including evil. Therefore, we should not fear any evil in our life, because we know that God can protect us and shield us against bad things. The only thing we need to be doing is to remain strong in our faith in Christ and His Church. That means practically that we should be diligent in praying every day; attend the Church on Sunday; shield ourselves with the armour of the Holy Spirit that we receive through Holy Communion.

Say that God is not alone. He has a great Heavenly realm that can send to protect us. These are His Angels, the Saints, and of course His Mother, Theotokos. We can pray to them as well for protection.

Group activity: Print the word document on the second page. Give a copy to each child. Ask them to cut the bible verses and paste them around a paper wreath that you have created **in advance** for each one. They can color the wreath if they want. Ask them to keep the wreath in their bedroom to remember that God is a Great and Mighty God that protects us always.

Resources: The Bible, Psalm 27:1, Psalm 115:11, Isaiah 41:13, Psalm 23:4

Materials: coloured pens or pencils, glue, scissors.

Review: God is Strong and Almighty, the Creator of everything, so we should never fear evil, but always seek for His protection and guidance.

Follow Up: Pray the following prayer every day for protection: Prayer to Your Guardian Angel - O Angel of Christ, holy guardian and protector of my soul and body, forgive me of everything I have done to offend you every day, and protect me from all influence and temptation of the evil one. May I never offend God by my sin. Pray for me to the Lord, that He may make me worthy of the grace of the All-holy Trinity, and of the Most Blessed Theotokos, and of all the Saints. Amen.