FOLLOWERS - LESSON PLAN

Age	Term	Mod.	Module Theme	Module Title	Lesson Title and Number		
4	1	1	Faith	Jesus is great!	7: Jesus died for all		

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 Title - lowercase in the cell)

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

Prayer

O Heavenly Father, Yesterday I died with Christ; today I am made alive with Him. Yesterday I was buried with Christ; today I am raised up with Him. Let us become like Christ, since Christ became like us. Let us become Divine for His sake, since for us He became Man. Amen

Starter

Jesus Loves You: Play the familiar game of Duck, Duck, Goose, but instead of saying "duck, duck, goose," have the child who is "It" say, "Jesus loves, loves, loves YOU!" Children sit in a circle. One child walks around the circle and pats each child's head while saying only one word in the phrase. When the child says "you," the child whose head is tapped jumps up and chases him back to the tagged child's space. If the tagged child catches him, then that child must sit in the middle of the circle until someone replaces him or her. Remind children to make sure everyone gets a turn because Jesus loves everyone in the circle.

Learning objectives

To learn that Jesus dies on the cross, taking our sin upon His shoulders.

To learn that we can have complete forgiveness of our sins through Jesus' death on the cross.

Core Activities and Learning

Children will be told that they will be learning about how Jesus died for all. Jesus has showed us how much He loved us through His birth, death and resurrection.

1. Children will be told the story of the Crucifixion from the Bible for Young People. If the story makes the children sad, they need to be reminded that Jesus did this out of His immense love for us, and that after three days in the tomb Jesus has risen.

The teacher needs to remain true to the facts found in the Bible but help children connect to its meaning by using drama, visual aids, voice inflection, children interaction and/or emotion while telling the story of the Crucifixion.

The Cross and the empty tomb – redemption and resurrection – are inseparably united in the one paschal mystery that is the "Good News." The message of Jesus dying on the cross to save us, and then raising from the dead gives us forgiveness and hope for a future with God.

2. The message of Jesus dying on the cross to save us, and then raising from the dead gives a great time to talk to the children about knowing Christ personally, and asking Him to live inside them.

Children begin to understand that there is profound worth in knowing God, and to understand that God wants them to know Him personally. Even at their young age they can experience the desire to know Him through prayer and worship, children know that we can talk to God at any time and know that He hears us.

The teacher will explain to children that through Christ we are born from above through Holy Baptism into newness of life. The mystery of baptism is a personal resurrection in Christ. We are given a fresh start, forgiveness of all our sins/ wrong deeds, freed from the hold of evil in our lives, and filled with the Spirit of God to pursue a process of maturity in Christ.

The teacher will explain to children that Christians should live for Christ And He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again. (2 Corinthians 5:15)

3. Create a "stained glass" cross. Create a cross template. Ask children to peel the contact paper and place it sticky side up on the table. Ask children to place the cross on the centre of the contact paper. Let the children fill in the cross with the tissue paper squares. Have them avoid touching the actual contact paper. Use the 2nd sheet of contact paper to "seal" the cross together. Use scissors to cut excess contact paper from edges and cross is ready to hang.

Resources

The Bible for Young People, Cross, Icon of Nativity, Icon of Crucifixion Icon of Resurrection, cross template, construction paper, 2 sheets of contact paper, tissue paper squares in bright colours, scissors

Review

In the next session ask one of the children to recall what we have learnt this Sunday.

Follow Up

In the next session we will learn that Jesus has risen from the dead.