FOLLOWERS - LESSON PLAN

Age	Term	Mod.	Module Theme	Module Title	Lesson Number and Title		
14	2	3	HOLINESS	THE CROSS	59: Loving without Condition		

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: Most blessed Lord, send the grace of Your Holy Spirit on me to strengthen me that I may learn well the subject I am about to study and by it become a better person for Your glory, the comfort of my family and the benefit of Your Church and our Nation. Amen

Starter: Ask the students to tell you the first word that comes to their mind when you say the word 'love'.

Learning objectives: To understand that through love we show ourselves as Christ's disciples and our love for God and for our neighbours should be without condition.

Core Activities and Learning

- 1. Separate the students into 2 groups. One group should read the verses from St Matthew's Gospel, the other group from St John's Gospel (see the Resource Sheet). The students should work as a team and then one representative of each group summarises the meaning of the text in one sentence.
- 2. On the basis of the previous activity, the teacher makes a conclusion about the greatest commandment and explains that God loves us without condition, and as His followers we should do the same our love for God and for our neighbours should be without condition.
- 3. God can love us perfectly because He does not Himself need our love. Why does our need for love sometimes get in the way of loving unconditionally?
- 4. Activity "Love is..." (see the resource sheet)
- 5. End piece: I thank You, Lord our God, that again on this occasion You have opened my eyes to the light of Your wisdom. You have gladdened my heart with the knowledge of truth. I entreat You, Lord, help me always to do Your will. Bless my soul and body, my words and deeds. Enable me to grow in grace, virtue and good habits, that Your name may be glorified, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Resources: Resource Sheet 59, pens.

Review: God loves us unconditionally. We need to purify our love to be closer to His.

Follow Up: Over the next few weeks, ask the students to memorise 1 Corinthians 13:1-7