



Lesson
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1st-4th

INTRO TO JESUS' MINISTRY

June 6 & 7

JESUS IS OUR TEACHER



LESSON GOAL:

Background: Jesus came to earth and invited people to follow Him and turn back to God. He taught people about God and showed them how to live, like in the Sermon on the Mount. Everything Jesus did was part of God's big plan to save us!

Lesson Goal: For kids to understand that Jesus is our teacher. We can follow His example and learn from Him how to live God's way.

Matthew 4-7

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

KIDS CAMP - June 8-11

woodmenvalley.org/kidscamp

Home Discipleship Parenting Class

Hosted @ Downtown campus

July 13, 20, 27 - woodmenvalley.org/kids

THEME FOR THIS SERIES:

Camping



KEY VERSE:

"Even the Son of Man did not come to be served. Instead, he came to serve others. He came to give his life as the price for setting many people free."

Mark 10:45, NIRV

MISSION FOCUS:

KIDS CAMP

You don't have to go far away to be a missionary. God has given you a mission field right where you are! Your school, your neighborhood, your team, and your friends are all places where you can show God's love every day. Being kind, including other kids and talking about Jesus are powerful ways to make a difference.

One of the best ways to be a missionary right now is by inviting your friends to Kids Camp and praying for lives to be changed through this upcoming week of camp!

PRAY: For God to help kids at all Woodmen campuses learn more about God and how he wants us to love our enemies!



5:45-6:10pm
8:45-9:10am
10:45-11:10am

CHECK-IN

The goal of check-in is to greet parents/guardians and children by name and help them feel known and welcome.

SAY:

I'm so glad to see you today, *(insert child/parent name)*!

Look up the Bible passage in your own Bible or a classroom Bible and mark it with a sticky note. Then, you can play with the classroom activities until we begin Explore time.

6:10-6:25pm
9:10-9:25am
11:10-11:25am

EXPLORE

The goal of Explore is to help kids connect relationally and think about the Bible story. It should be completed in small groups of 5-7 kids per one Ministry Partner.



DISCUSS: Jesus is our Teacher!

Help kids connect relationally by asking them about their week, then discuss the lesson topic for the day and read the Bible passage together.

SAY:

Let's take turns sharing 3 words about our week. I'll go first!
Share your 3 words then invite the next child to share.

SAY:

Today, we are learning about how **Jesus is our Teacher**. This story comes from the Bible in **Matthew 4:17**. Can you open your Bible to the passage with me so we can read it together?

DO:

Read the Bible passage aloud or pick a child to read it aloud.



CONNECT: Why Does It Matter?

Help kids prepare for the lesson by thinking through the Big 3 questions and how the lesson relates to them, personally.



SAY:

Let's answer **THE BIG 3** questions for today's lesson & talk about how it applies to our lives!

1. Who was our story about today?

Jesus, His followers, us

2. What was the problem?

We need someone to rescue us from our sins and teach us how to live God's way.

3. What did God do?

God sent Jesus to the earth to rescue us from our sins and teach us how to live God's way.



MAKE: "Let's Be More Like Jesus!" Action Card Set

Help kids think about the lesson further and have fun by doing this activity!

Supplies: action card ring set (1 per child), markers/crayons



DO:

Pass out a card set to each kid. Have the kids color the different action cards as you talk with them about what each one means.



SAY:

Today we're learning how Jesus is our teacher! That means that we can follow Jesus' example and learn how to live God's way. Let's color this action card set that you can take home and use! On the "Create your own" cards, think of your own ideas of how you can be more like Jesus this week!

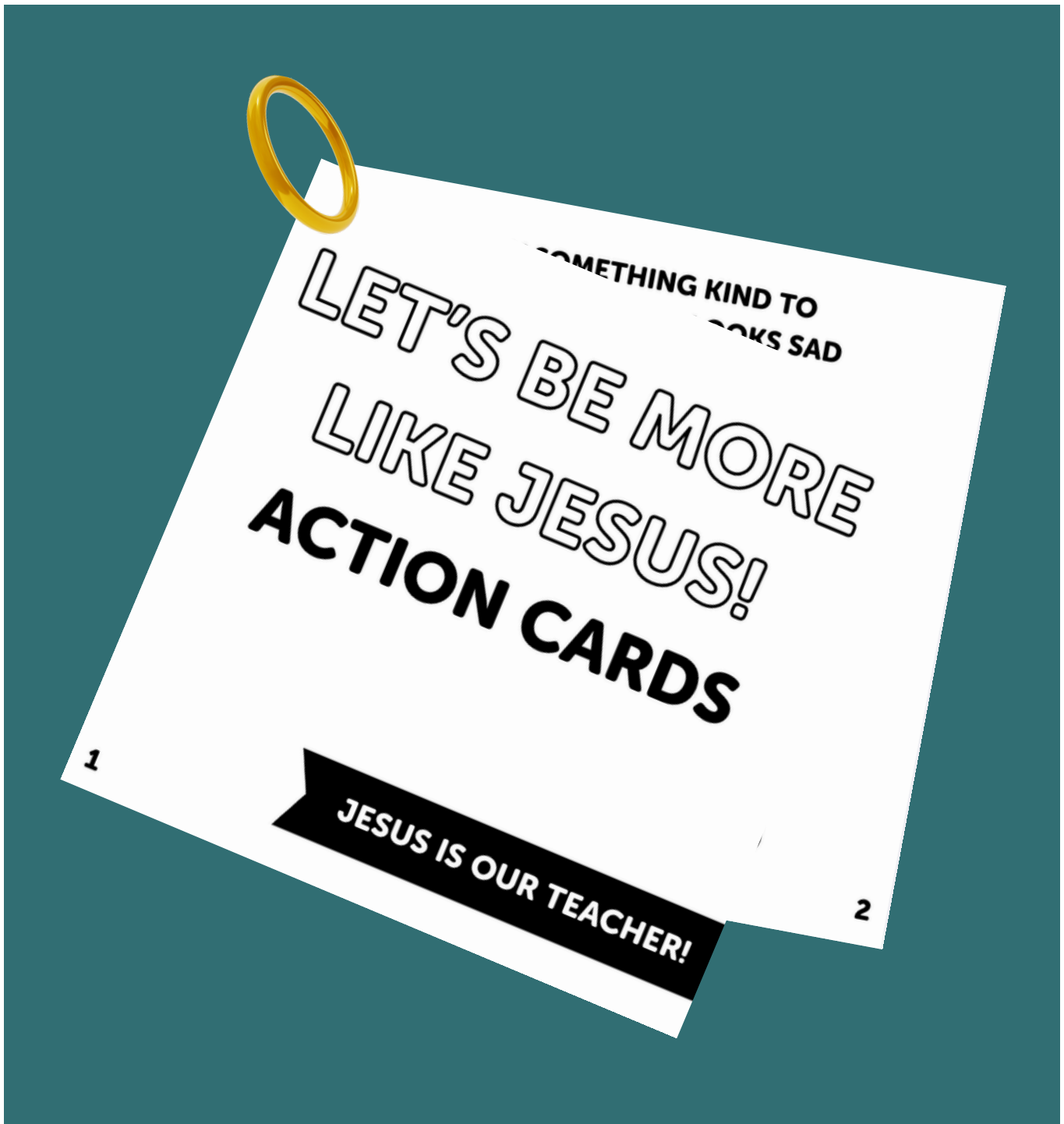


Once we're finished coloring, let's act out some of these actions together to practice following Jesus' example!



CLEAN UP: Transition to Large Group

Ask kids to clean up the activity or save it to finish for the end of class. Then, ask kids to line up and/or transition to Large Group.



6:25-6:50pm
9:25-9:50am
11:25-11:50am

LARGE GROUP

The goal of Large Group is to help kids grow in their relationship with God by participating in Worship and hearing an engaging Bible story.



EXPECTATIONS

As kids transition to Large Group time, play the expectations video.



HOST MOMENT

After the Large Group expectations video is finished, the Host should welcome the kids in an engaging way and share the daily host content.



SAY:

Welcome! We're so glad you're here today! Let's take a few minutes to look at our Missions project for the day and our Key Verse.

MISSION FOCUS

Introduce or share an update about the current mission focus.

KEY VERSE

Introduce the key verse then have the kids watch the Key Verse video.

PRAY FOR WORSHIP & BIBLE LESSON



WORSHIP

Invite your Worship Leader to come up and play the worship song videos. Encourage kids to participate and be respectful to others.

SONG 1: Your Love

SONG 2: Light of the World



LESSON VIDEO

Play the daily Bible lesson video.



WORSHIP RESPONSE

Lead the kids through a quiet time of responding to what God is teaching them.



PRAYER

Help create a smooth transition from Worship Response by praying over the kids.



OFFERING

Highlight the opportunity to give back to God through our offering.



BLESSING

As Large Group ends, speak this blessing over the kids.

WORSHIP RESPONSE



REFLECT: Jesus is our Teacher!

Help kids reflect on the lesson by providing a quiet space for the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts as they think about how it applies to them personally.

Worship Response Station

Supplies: prayer cards (1 per kid), writing utensils, twine/wire worship response station



SAY:

Jesus came to earth and invited people to follow Him and turn back to God. He taught people about God and showed them how to live, like in the Sermon on the Mount. Everything Jesus did was part of God's big plan to save us from our sins!



DO:

- Ask the kids to quietly participate in the following activity. Say:
 - ***Jesus is our teacher! We can follow Jesus' example and learn from Him as we try to live more like God!***
 - ***It's not always easy to do what is right and to live God's way, is it? But the good news is that we can go to Jesus anytime and ask for help.***
 - ***Let's take some time to do that right now.*** Pass out a prayer card and writing utensil to each kid.
 - ***Take a moment to think about ways you might need to follow Jesus' example. Then, write down a prayer to Jesus to ask Him for help! He's your teacher and He's ready to help!***
 - When kids are done, they can pin their prayer up onto the wire/twine boards and wait quietly for others to finish.
 - Close the time by praying over the kids.



PRAYER

Help create a smooth transition from Worship Response by praying over the kids.



OFFERING

Highlight the opportunity to give back to God through our offering.



SAY:

God gives to us...so we give back to God! Offering is an opportunity every week to give some of our money to God as a way to say "Thank you, God!" for all He has done for us.



BLESSING

As Large Group ends, speak this blessing over the kids.



SAY: *May you follow Jesus with your whole life, trusting that He is your teacher!*

6:50-7:10pm
9:50-10:10am
11:50am-12:10pm

RESPOND

The goal of Respond is for kids to think about the lesson and how it applies to them. It should be completed in small groups of 5-7 kids per one Ministry Partner.



APPLY: Why Does it Matter?

Help kids process what they learned in the lesson by answering the Big 3 questions you asked at the beginning of class.



SAY:

Let's answer THE BIG 3 questions for today's lesson & talk about how it applies to our lives!

1. Who was our story about today?

Jesus, His followers, us

2. What was the problem?

We need someone to rescue us from our sins and teach us how to live God's way.

3. What did God do?

God sent Jesus to the earth to rescue us from our sins and teach us how to live God's way.

4. Why does this matter to me?

Jesus is my teacher too! I can follow His example and lessons in the Bible to learn how to live God's way.

5. How can I apply this to my own life?

Example: I can read my Bible to learn more lessons from Jesus; I can pray and ask God for help when I'm trying to make the right choice



PRAY: Connect Relationally

Help kids understand the power of praying together.



SAY:

Does anyone have a prayer request they'd like to share? You can also share with a leader privately, if you don't want to share aloud.



DO:

Invite kids to pray for each other, then the leader closes in prayer.

As parents arrive after service

CHECK-OUT

The goal of check-out is to re-connect kids with their parent and communicate any upcoming events or announcements as families leave.



DO:

Encourage kids to finish their activities or play classroom games until their parent comes to pick them up.

As kids get picked up, mention any announcements while handing their parent the announcement card.