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THE LORD'S PRAYER

August 1 & 2

**JESUS IS OUR
EXAMPLE**



LESSON GOAL:

Background: Jesus taught His followers how to pray by giving them an example we now call the Lord's prayer. Jesus showed that we can honor God, trust Him with our needs, ask for forgiveness, and pray for help in doing what is right. God hears us whenever we pray.

Lesson Goal: For kids to understand that Jesus is our example for how to talk to God and that we can pray to Him anytime.

Luke 11:1-4

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

AWANA clubber registration is live!
Wednesdays @ 6:15pm starting Sep 16
at RR, WH, MO and DT!
woodmenvalley.org/awana

THEME FOR THIS SERIES:
Farmer Pete



KEY VERSE:

"I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep, and my sheep know me."

John 10:14, NIRV

MISSION FOCUS:

PRAYING FOR SCHOOLS

This month's missions focus is all about prayer! We're inviting kids and families to intentionally pray for students, teachers, and school staff as the new school year begins. With our prayer magnets, we're helping kids build a habit of praying regularly for their schools.

We're also excited to highlight our ACTs school partners—schools where our church is building long-term relationships to love, serve, and support students, educators, and families.

EACH FAMILY CAN TAKE HOME A PRAYER MAGNET TO PLACE ON THEIR FRIDGE AS A REMINDER TO PRAY!

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)**! 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 Example!

Help kids connect relationally and to the daily lesson by participating in the Bag of Wonder activity together.

Bag of Wonder: Toy Phone

SAY:

We are going to take turns passing around this Bag of Wonder! It has something inside that helps us think about our lesson today. You can hold it, smell it, shake it, touch it...but no peeking inside! What do you think it could be? You each get 1 guess!

DO:

Pass the Bag of Wonder around until each child has had a turn holding it and guessing what's in the bag. Offer hints to help the kids guess the item.

SAY:

I *wonder* why this item is in our Bag of Wonder today! Our lesson is about how **Jesus is our Example**. This true story comes from the Bible in **Luke 11:1-4!** (*Open your Bible to show the kids the verse is in the Bible then read the explanation below*).

CONNECTION: Today we are learning about talking to God and Jesus' example of the Lord's Prayer. Just like we can talk to people we love on the phone, we can talk to God the same way! God wants to listen to us and have a relationship with us. We can tell him all about our lives and talk to him whenever we want!



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 is our story about today?

Jesus, His followers, and us

2. What is the problem?

Jesus' followers asked Jesus how to pray.

3. What will God do?

Jesus gave His followers an example of how to pray to God.

Encourage kids to think about why this matters and how they can apply it to their own life as they listen to the story!



MAKE: Prayer Hands Craft

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

Supplies: Prayer Hands Template, Glue Sticks



DO:

Help kids fold and glue the prayer hands around the Lord's Prayer. They will glue the hands on the backside and then fold across the two dotted lines. Do not fold the middle line. The folds will open up to the prayer! Encourage them to use the craft as a reminder that they can talk to God anytime and anywhere.



SAY:

Today's story is about how Jesus taught His followers how to pray. Jesus gave us the Lord's Prayer as an example of how we can talk to God. We can thank God, ask for help, tell Him what we need, and know that He always listens because He loves us.

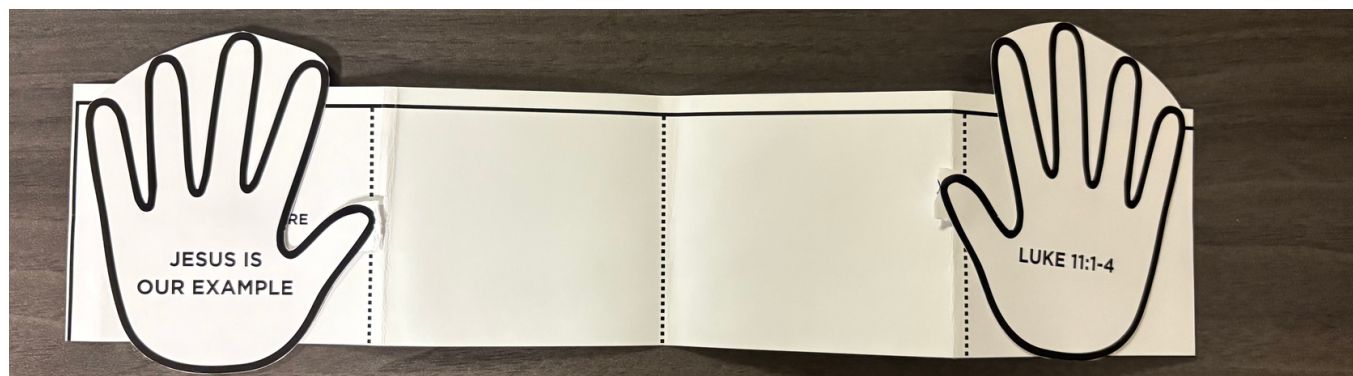


CLEAN UP: Transition to Large Group

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.



Craft Example



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: Do Ya

SONG 2: Rejoice in the Lord



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 Example!

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: None



SAY:

Today's story is about how Jesus taught His followers how to pray. Prayer is simply talking to God! We can talk to God anywhere, anytime, and about anything. God loves us, listens to us, and wants us to come to Him with our thoughts, worries and thankfulness.



DO:

- Ask the kids to quietly participate in the following activity. Say:
 - ***Today we learned that prayer is simply talking to God! We can tell Him what we're thankful for, ask for help, or pray for other people.***
 - ***Let's take some time right now to practice talking to God!***
 - ***When we pray, we bow our heads and close our eyes to help our bodies be still and our minds focus on God! It's not a requirement, but it's a way of showing respect.***
 - ***As I pray, repeat after me:***
 - ***[Dear God], [thank you for loving us] [and thank you for showing us] [how to pray.] [Help us remember] [that you want us] [to talk to you] [about everything!] [Amen!]***
 - 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 know you can talk to God anywhere and anytime! Jesus is your example!*

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, and us.

2. What was the problem?

Jesus' followers asked Jesus how to pray.

3. What did God do?

Jesus gave His followers an example of how to pray to God.

4. Why does this matter to me?

I can follow the example Jesus gave of how to pray. But more importantly, I can remember that God just wants to talk to me anywhere and anytime!

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

Example: I can make a habit of praying daily (when I wake up, when I am in the car, when I go to bed, etc); I can use the Lord's Prayer as a way to pray.



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.