



Lesson
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1st-4th

WE BELONG TO CHRIST

May 9 & 10

GOD UNIFIES
(BRINGS TOGETHER)



LESSON GOAL:

Background: Because of Jesus, we are all God’s children when we believe in Him. It doesn’t matter if we are Jews or Gentiles, slaves or free, or boys or girls—everyone who belongs to Jesus is one family. We are all unified in Christ and part of God’s big family.

Lesson Goal: For kids to understand that when they believe in Jesus, they are part of God’s family and He wants us to love and include others in the same way.

Galatians 3:26-29



MOTHER’S DAY

This weekend, each child will make or pick a special bracelet to give their mom (or guardian) as a gift for Mother’s Day.

SEE PAGE 2 FOR DETAILS!

THEME FOR THIS SERIES:
True Word Channel



KEY VERSE:

God has breathed life into all Scripture. It is useful for teaching us what is true. It is useful for correcting our mistakes. It is useful for making our lives whole again. It is useful for training us to do what is right.

2 Timothy 3:16, 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! It’s a fun, exciting time where they can learn about God, make new friends and experience God’s love. Your invitation could change someone’s life forever!

PRAY: Who is God asking you to invite to Kids Camp?



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: God Unifies (Brings Together)!

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 **God Unifies (Brings Together)**. This story comes from the Bible in **Galatians 3:26**. 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 is our story about today?

Jesus and us

2. What is the problem?

Our sin separates us from God and others

3. What will God do?

When we believe in Jesus, God brings us all together as part of His big family through the Holy Spirit.

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: Tree Activity

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

Supplies: Tree poster, leaves, crayons/markers, tape or glue



Kids will not take this craft home today! They will participate in an activity together.



DO:

Pass out one leaf per child. Have them decorate it and write their name on it and add it to the tree poster.



SAY:

God unifies us! Just like a tree has a trunk, branches, and leaves that all grow from the same place, God connects all of us through His love! When we believe in Jesus, we all become part of God's big family. That means we are all connected, and He wants us to love and include everyone - just like the tree holds all its branches and leaves together. As we see all our leaves together, we can remember that God unifies us and that we all belong to Him!



MOTHER'S DAY

Help each child pick/make a special bracelet to celebrate their mom/guardian



DO:

There are materials provided for kids to either make a bracelet (using stretchy string & beads) to give to their mom/guardian.

After the child has made a bracelet, they can write their name on a little card and place the bracelet and card into the gift bag. For older kids, you can also encourage them to write a sweet note on their card.

When parents arrive to pick up, make sure each child gives the gift to their mom/guardian.





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: Child of God

SONG 2: Bloom



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: God Unifies (Brings Together)!

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: ball of yarn



SAY:

Because of Jesus, we all become God's children when we believe in Him. Everyone who belongs to Jesus is one family. We are all unified in Christ and part of God's big family. When you believe in Jesus, you are part of God's family and He wants you to love and include others in the same way.



DO:

- Ask the kids to quietly participate in the following activity. Say:
 - **God unifies or brings us together! That means when we believe in God, we are all connected because of God.**
 - **Let's do this yarn activity to remind us that God unifies.**
 - Have kids make a BIG circle. Pass the yarn back and forth across the circle until everyone is holding a part.
 - **Look around at everyone in this circle! Look at all these connections that have been made because of God! We may all look different, act different, come from different families, but because of God, we are all part of His BIG family.**
 - Then invite kids to say "God unifies us!" all together 3 times.
 - Gather the yarn back up and finish saying:
 - **God brings us together!**



PRAY

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



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 see all of God's children how He does this week!
May God unify us.*

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 and us

2. What was the problem?

Our sin separates us from God and others

3. What did God do?

When we believe in Jesus, God brings us all together as part of His big family through the Holy Spirit.

4. Why does this matter to me?

If I believe in Jesus, I become part of God's family. God wants me to love and include others as part of His family too!

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

Example: I can show love and kindness to everyone; I can invite others to hear about God's love and good news.



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.