

3rd Sunday
of Easter
April 25 -
May 1, 2022

Pre-K
Message

SCRIPTURE: Acts 9:1-22

THEME: Sight Marches Victorious Over Blindness

SONG: CW21 576/ CW93 379 Amazing Grace v. 1

VISUAL: Blindfold; picture of a cross

OBJECT LESSON

Ask for a student to come up, and blindfold him/her. Make sure s/he can't see the picture and don't show the other children the picture either. Ask the blindfolded student what the picture is of. (They won't know.) Ask for a child who is not blindfolded to come up, look at the picture, and tell the blindfolded student what the picture is so that they can tell the rest of the children.

BIBLE TRUTH

It was impossible for [student insert name] to know what the picture was of until someone told them. Only then were they able to know what was right in front of them.

A long time ago in the Bible, there was a man named Saul. He didn't know who God was, until one day Jesus himself appeared to Saul in a bright light and told him exactly who God was. Saul was so excited about this truth that he spent the rest of his life sharing the news of who God is with others who didn't know God. When we were born, we didn't know who God was. In fact, the Bible tells us that we hated God. Without God's help, we wouldn't be able to know him or his love for us.

But God loves us so much that he gives us his Word, the Bible, which tells us exactly who he is and what he has done to save us from our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus, to live a perfect life, die on the cross, and rise again. He also gives us people who teach us what he says in the Bible, like pastors, teachers, friends, and other grown ups.

DISCUSSION AND APPLICATIONS

Because of the gift of faith we have in the risen Jesus, we are thankful that we've had our eyes opened so that we can see Jesus.

PRAYER

Holy Spirit, thank you for putting faith in our hearts through hearing about Jesus in your word. Amen.



**HEART
IMPRINTS**

4th Sunday
of Easter
May 2 -
May 8, 2022

Pre-K
Message

SCRIPTURE: John 10:22-30

THEME: Fulfilled Works March Victorious Over Empty Words

SONG: CW21 804 / CW93 432 I am Jesus' Little Lamb

VISUAL: Pictures of Community Helpers

OBJECT LESSON

Show children pictures of community helpers one at a time. Ask them to tell you what that person's job is, and to tell you what they do [ie firefighters put out fires and save people's lives, doctors help people feel better, police keep us safe, chefs cook meals.]. Say, "If someone told you they were a really good chef, but they burnt the toast and forgot the cheese for a grilled cheese sandwich, would you believe them? Probably not. Now if someone told you they were a firefighter, that wouldn't necessarily mean you would believe it. But if you saw them in all of their gear, saving someone from a burning building, you would believe them."

BIBLE TRUTH

A long time ago, Jesus lived on earth. He told people who he was - God, the Savior of the world. But those people didn't believe what he said, even though it was true.

Because Jesus loved them, he gave them signs (miracles - things only God can do) to show them that he really is God.

On our own, we wouldn't believe Jesus and his Word either. But God loves us so much that he gives us the Holy Spirit and faith so we can trust what the Bible says is true.

God also gives us the Bible so we can read about the miracles that Jesus did while he lived on earth, the best of all being Jesus dying on the cross to take away our sins, and then coming back to life so we can live with him in heaven one day.

DISCUSSION AND APPLICATIONS

There are lots of people who don't know who Jesus is. What could you tell them about Jesus - who is he?

Where do we learn more about Jesus? [the Bible, in church, school, Sunday school]

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, thank you for showing your power in miracles and for keeping all of the promises in your word. Help us trust you more and more each day. Amen.



**HEART
IMPRINTS**

5th Sunday
of Easter
May 9-
May 15, 2022

Pre-K
Message

SCRIPTURE: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

THEME: Selfless Love Marches Victorious Over Self-Glorification

SONG: CW21 730 / CW93 494 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

VISUAL: Side by side pictures that show something loving (ie helping a friend) and unloving (ie laughing at a friend who fell down)

OBJECT LESSON

Show children both pictures. Discuss which picture shows LOVE, and which one does not. How can you tell?

BIBLE TRUTH

The Bible tells us a lot about love and what it looks like. In our lives, we do a lot of things that are unloving; we don't share with our friends or listen to our grown ups, and we make fun of friends or knock their block towers down. When we do those things, we aren't showing love to others or to Jesus.

But God shows us love even when we sin against him, because Jesus took our punishment for us. In fact, Jesus showed his love for us by leaving his home in heaven, where everything was perfect, to be here on earth where people hated and hurt him. Jesus lived a perfect life of love for us. His death on the cross wins forgiveness for our failure to love perfectly.

DISCUSSION AND APPLICATIONS

God loves us so much! And now he tells us to show that same love to others. What are some ways we can show others love?

Give scenarios of people being unloving and ask how we can respond by showing love to them. (ie getting pushed down by a friend on the playground, you can use your words to tell them you don't like it when they do that, but that you forgive them.)

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, forgive us for the times we have been unloving. Thank you for sending Jesus to show us perfect love in his life and death for us. Amen.



**HEART
IMPRINTS**

6th
Sunday
of Easter
May 16-
May 22, 2022

Pre-K
Message

SCRIPTURE: Revelation 21:21-27

THEME: Joy Marches Victorious Over Circumstance

SONG: CW21 713 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

VISUAL: Pictures of places where children would like to spend time (Disney, the beach, a playground)

OBJECT LESSON

Show children pictures of fun places (Disney, the beach, the playground) and ask for a show of hands - "Who would like to go here?" "When someone promises to take you to one of these places, how do you feel?" (You probably get pretty excited - and might be excited for days or weeks before you even get to go because you know you have something fun waiting for you.)

BIBLE TRUTH

When God created the world, it was perfect. He loved the people he had made, and he wanted them to live with him where there was nothing bad. But then, something happened. The people God had made didn't listen to what He had told them to do. They sinned against God, and now the world was no longer perfect. Because of sin, there are times when we are sad, and times we miss people that we love. Sometimes we get hurt. Other times things make us feel angry.

Even though we sin, God still loves us and wants us to live with him where it is perfect, in heaven. Because of that, God sent his Son, Jesus, to live a perfect life, die on the cross to take away our sins, and rise from the dead. Because Jesus has done all of this and we believe it, God has written our names in the book of life.

God tells us that one day, when we are in heaven with him, there will be no more sin - nothing to make us sad, hurt, or angry. Knowing we will live with God forever makes us so excited!

DISCUSSION AND APPLICATIONS

Just like we would be excited to go to Disney or to the beach, we are excited to go to heaven some day, where we will always be happy living with God.

Sin still causes us to be sad and get hurt while here on earth, but we can always be happy and joyful knowing we have heaven to look forward to. What about heaven makes you excited?

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we are excited to be in heaven with you someday. Thank you for sending Jesus to take away our sins. Amen.



**HEART
IMPRINTS**

7th
Sunday
of Easter
May 23-
May 29, 2022

Pre-K
Message

SCRIPTURE: John 17: 20-26

THEME: Unity Marches Victorious In Diversity

SONG: CW21 713 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

VISUAL: Picture of kids with similarities and differences

OBJECT LESSON

Show children the picture of some kids with similarities and differences. Have the children point out what is the same about some of the kids, and then what is different [ie. may be wearing the same color shirt, one has long black hair and one has short brown hair, etc.]

If we look around the room, we could do the same thing. We are all very different; we have different clothes on, some of us have short hair and some have long, and the list could go on!

BIBLE TRUTH

God created each of us to be different, to be special. God made you just the way he wants you, both in how you look and what talents you have (what you are able to do). Some of you are good at drawing, some of you can climb well on the playground, some of you already know your alphabet and some of you are still learning!

It is good to be different, because that's how God made you. But God also tells us in the Bible that we are one, or the same, in some ways.

A long time ago when Jesus was on earth, he prayed for all people who believe in him, including you and me. In his prayer, he asked that we would have the love of God in our hearts. And we do. Although we may be very different in how we look or what we can do, we know Jesus and believe in him. That's what unites us, or makes us the same. We know that God loves each and every one of us, and that Jesus lived a perfect life, died, and rose from the dead again so we can all live with God in heaven

some day. We also know that we are all part of God's family through faith and baptism.

DISCUSSION AND APPLICATIONS

Jesus prayed for all believers - for you and for me. God wants us to pray for people in our class, in our families, in our church, and for people around the world. What are some things we can pray for?

Because we have the love of God in our hearts, God wants us to show that same love to others. What are some ways we can show love to our friends, family, and others?

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for making each of us special. Thank you for sending Jesus to pay for all of our sins. Help us reflect your love to the special people around us. Amen.



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