

## Time Machine



A Sunday School "Children are Important"

Teacher's Book

For all ages

Unit 2: Lessons 1-13

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## NTRODUCTION

#### WELCOME TO THE BIBLE SCHOOL, "TIME MACHINE" UNIT 2!

The Justice Team uses the Time Machine to travel to the past to learn about the life of Jesus, sharing what they learn and how Jesus' actions impact the life of this team and in modern society. In this manual our children will be able to learn and apply what they have learned in the "Justice" section, which is a modern application based on the main lesson. For example: seeing all people as God's creation. The "homework" section allows children to practice what they learn in their daily lives. For example: if someone offends you or cheats on you, do not fight. Rather, remain calm and pray for them, asking God to give you peace. Talk to your Sunday school teachers about how you felt. The "biography" section teaches children about various occupations and how they benefit society, such as the judge, missionary, and merchant, among others. Some of the occupations in this section are viewed from a negative perspective in different countries due to individuals abusing their positions of power. This is your opportunity to teach the children the correct way to act or what Jesus would do in that situation. Who knows? Perhaps a student in your class will end up in that occupation as an adult and could do the right thing and work for the good of others instead of abusing their power. They could shine a light for Jesus in their communities or in the nation.

Also, the children will enjoy a funny drama, a game, and solving riddles in the students' books. Adolescents will be able to reflect on the question section, where the objective is not to give a correct answer, but for them to apply life from Jesus to their own lives. Attendance is motivated by collecting a new card each week.

Teacher, we are sure that God will speak to your life and that of your students in each lesson, He wants to change the world, and there is no better way to train the next generation! Imagine what will happen in your community as God works in the hearts of your children and helps them to be close to others indiscriminately. We pray that God will bless you greatly for serving in this important task of teaching children. With love in Christ,

The creative team of Children Are Important.



## DVERVIEW

## Care like Jesus

Feeding the 4000: Matthew 15:29-38

James 2:15-16 "Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?"

Free for everyone

Woman at the well: John 4:4-15
Romans 12:16 " Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited."

Worth it all
Rich Young Ruler: Mark 10:17-27

Mark 8:35 " For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it."

Follow Jesus' instructions

Philippians 4:6 " Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

Be humble like Jesus

Jesus healed 10 lepers: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus washed His disciples' feet: John 13:3-17

Philippians 2:3-4 " Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."

Passionate like Jesus

Jesus turned over the tables: Mark 11:15-17 (John 2:13-17)

Matthew 23:13 "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You shut the door of the kingdom of heaven in people's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to."

Jesus' heart revealed

Garden of Gethsemane: Matthew 26:36-39, 47-54

Luke 6:27 " "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you."

Injustice!

Jesus on trial: Mark 14:57-65, 15:1-15

Isaiah 53:9 " He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth."

Life in death
Jesus Crucified: Matthew 27:27-31, 45-54

Isaiah 53:5 " But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."

Scoundrel saved

Thief on the cross: Luke 23:32-33, 39-43

Romans 10:11 " As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."

Worst day becomes best day ever

Jesus' resurrection: Matthew 27:57-61, 28:1-10, Luke 24:36-48

Hebrews 11:1 " Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see."

Unlikely believer

Saul believes: Acts 9:1-20

Acts 1:8 " But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Can I come, too?

Peter preached salvation: Acts 2:14, 36-40

John 3:16 " For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

## HOW TO USE THIS MATERIAL

## Drama (Part 1)

In each drama, the "justice team" goes back in time to watch part of the life of Jesus, where the team members learn a parallel lesson and apply it to their modern lives. Part of each drama is written for before the









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main lesson, where they go back in time, and the second half of each drama comes after the main lesson, as the characters come back and apply what they have learned.

The dramas are designed for 3 actors: the leader, the investigator, and the agent. The other two characters, the mechanic and the technician, are optional if you have more volunteers.

## Main lesson

After the opening drama comes the main lesson. The Bible stories are not fully written in the lesson, so please don't forget to read the story from the Bible.

## Drama (Part 2)

After the main lesson, complete the second part of the drama, where the team resolves a problem with what they have learned. (Visit our YouTube channel and see the example)

Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29oPA594">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29oPA594</a> 1s

#### **Justice**

Review this short segment along with the main lesson, while solving puzzles in the student books, or while eating a snack.

## **Biography**

The biography section teaches the children about various occupations and how they benefit society, like pastor, lawyer, scientist, and policeman. Some of the occupations in this section are seen in a negative light in different countries because of individuals who abuse their positions of power. This is your opportunity to teach children what someone is supposed to do or what Jesus would do in that position. Who knows? Perhaps a student in your class will end up in that occupation as an adult, and they could do right and work for the good of others instead of abusing their power. They could shine a light for Jesus in their communities or in the nation. Make it more fun by playing a little game at the start. Have someone act out the occupation and let the children guess before you tell them.

## Memory verse

Each memory verse applies to its lesson. Consider finding a game or activity to make the memorization more fun.

We recommend, "Memory Verse Games" as a free download.

Link: <a href="http://www.childrenareimportant.com/">http://www.childrenareimportant.com/</a>

myCMU/series/series-memory-verse-games.php

### Student Books

The children will love solving the puzzles in the student books. The word finds and coloring pictures help reinforce each lesson. Discuss the words from the word finds, like value, humility, and justice and ask the students what those words mean to them.

## Questions and answers (older students)

Life in the adult world is complicated. Wouldn't we love it if someone were always there to give us answers to difficult problems? But often there is not, and we must come to our own conclusions as best as we can. The older students are approaching adulthood, too. If all we do in Sunday school is tell them the "right answers" for everything and avoid difficult questions, it leaves them untrained and unable to think things through and find Biblical answers for themselves. This leaves them confused and lost when they encounter these difficult questions and hear only secular answers from college professors and bosses. Instead, use this section to help older students

## Schedule

#### **Open**

- \* Welcome
- \* Song

#### Drama and lesson

- \* Drama part 1
- Lesson
- \* Drama part 2

#### **Activities**

Do the biography and the justice section while doing other activities, such as the student's book or a snack.

- \* Memory Verse
- \* Student books
- \* Questions and answers (older students)
- \* Game (optional)

#### Close

- \* Assignment
- \* Assistance cards

practice critical thinking. Start a discussion among the older students. Do not give them the "correct answer," but gently guide them to come to good conclusions on their own. We have provided some answers for these difficult questions as a guide for the teacher.

#### Game

Play a game with the students! Games are very important for children, helping them to develop social skills. Besides, they are fun! This is a great tool to encourage more children to come and hear about Jesus, when all their friends invite them to your fun class.

## Homework assignment

Scripture says that it is no good for us if we hear the Word of God but do not put it into practice (James 1:22-25). Train children to apply the Word of God to their daily lives by doing something with what they learned. Take a few minutes to reward the children who did last week's assignment with a candy or small prize.

## **Cards**

Use these cards as a reward for attendance. Each one has a fun design on the front and the memory verse on the back

## CARE LIKE JESUS





## Feeding the 4000: Matthew 15:29-38

## **©DRAMA (PART 1)**

Investigator saw someone in need on the street every day this week who looked skinny and hungry and dirty. She tells her other team members Leader and Agent about the person and how she has been praying for the person all week. They think that is a good idea. They climb into the time machine, and if possible, they shake the time machine and make mechanical noises as the machine supposedly sends them back in time for the duration of the lesson.

#### **S** LESSON

A big crowd was following Jesus, listening to Him teach. They were so content listening to Jesus and seeing the miracles He was performing that they did not eat and were hungry. Jesus had compassion for them. Read Matthew 15:29-38

Feeling compassion in His heart did not help the crowd with their hunger. Jesus turned his feeling into action and performed a miracle and fed 4000 people with seven loaves of bread and a few small fish. Everyone was satisfied! Jesus provided more than the minimum, He made more than enough.

Do you know people who make your heart feel compassion? People who have less than you or who are being oppressed in some way? Having true compassion like Jesus for someone always leads to action. Go do something about it!

So many of the world's problems are huge and we think "I can't do anything about that." But we can always find one person to help. And it is so fulfilling to give them some of the love that Jesus gives us by helping them.

#### **MEMORY VERSE**

James 2:15-16 "Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?"

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

After the main lesson, the team comes back to the present time and climbs out of the time machine. They are all astonished at what they saw, how Jesus multiplied the bread and fish for so many people. Even they got to eat a couple pieces that fell behind some bushes (since they do their best never to be seen so they won't break the time-space continuum). Investigator tells the team how Jesus did not just feel compassion and pray for the hungry people, but He fed them. She realizes she should do something for the needy person she sees on the street every day. They think of how to help, like bringing a sandwich from the house or finding a ministry nearby that she can introduce the person to, as well as continuing to pray for the person.

#### **S** JUSTICE

Jesus really cared for other people. He had compassion on a hungry crowd and fed them. We should always be willing to be generous and provide for others.



#### S BIOGRAPHY (THE BOSS)

The boss is in charge of supervising all or part of an organization and manages a team that works together to complete tasks, achieve goals. There are many examples of this in the Bible, from kings to music directors, governors, and project managers.

Responsibilities: A boss must understand the objectives of the organization and must lead her team to achieve those objectives. The boss's job is to ensure that everyone works in harmony with well-functioning systems and that nothing is preventing you from achieving your charted results. The boss's job is to protect the name and reputation of the company; also prevent the business from straying in different directions.

Opportunities: A boss can learn from our great King Jesus how to be a servant leader.

A great boss will not dominate employees but will serve them. A boss has a wonderful opportunity to elevate employees by encouraging them, giving them credit in front of others, recognizing their contributions and good work, helping the good ideas of their employees come true.

A service manager will work to protect the team from the paths that lead to failure and to guide their employees through interpersonal drama, sometimes making difficult decisions for the good of others. A boss works to provide his employees with the tools, training, and inspiration to do their jobs well, as well as opportunities to grow and develop new skills, always looking for natural talents in employees and encouraging them to improve their own abilities.

#### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Why am I sometimes not comfortable with the things of God?

Many times, we are used to our friends making us feel good, without their support or approval we will feel uncomfortable anywhere. Remember what the word teaches us in 2 Timothy 2:15 (read it out loud) it will be much better if you begin to experience God's approval instead of your friends, and the more you read the word and practice it, it will help you in the future. changes even in attitude.

2. How can you show compassion towards your parents and authorities?

God greatly appreciates that we are subject to our parents, it is the first commandment that has a promise. If you really want to change your attitude that negatively affects your parents, just think for a moment why we have acted that way, why is it I can show compassion for other people and not for my parents? It is a personal decision to change and with an attitude of humility, if we give those areas to God, we will be able to change and we will enjoy our shared time more.

### **DUZZLE ANSWERS**

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#### **S** GAME

#### Greeting with your body.

The teacher invites kids to form two circles, with the same number of people, one within the other, and asks circle to face each other. Ask them to wave at each other and say their name, what they like and what they don't like. The teacher gives the signal to rotate the circles in the opposite directions, in such a way that when the signal stops, each child is in front of another person. The teacher asks them to give each other a high-five, introduce themselves by saying their name and asking other questions. For example, what did you do on the weekend? What do you like most about the meeting? Then they turn again and this time they wave with their feet, then with their elbows, shoulders, etc.



#### **S** HOMEWORK

Choose a classmate from your school or neighborhood who is in need. If it is appropriate, ask your parents for help to bring him fruit, cereal, or something to eat-- enough for him and his family. Carry extra food in your backpack to share. Remember that you can do this even with the person doing the cleaning at your school.

## FREE FOR EVERYONE





Woman at the well: John 4:4-15

## DRAMA (PART 1)

Investigator met someone recently from the other side of town. She tells the team how this new friend has very different ideas from her. Something she cared about seemed not to affect her friend, but something that was not very important to her upset her friend very much. And her new friend has a very different idea of what personal hygiene should be. She wants to talk about Jesus with her friend but does not know how. They go back in time to see Jesus' interactions with someone very different from Him.

#### **D** LESSON

The Jews and the Samaritans were enemies who had much more in common than they liked to admit. They were relatives with the same ancestors, and they all believed in at least the first 5 books of the Bible! And besides, they were all people created by God! But they did not get along, mostly because people told them not to. We really do not know why. This is how prejudice works.

But Jesus loves everyone and was not afraid to speak with a Samaritan woman. He was also not afraid of what other people would think about it.

Read John 4:4-15

The story is not about physical water. In the story, Jesus never received the water He asked for. He may have, but it was not important to the story. What was important was Jesus offering "living water" to this woman. Jesus was talking about salvation and the satisfied life that we can have with Jesus, and He offers it to everyone. Do you want that kind of life? Never thirsty and free from a constant yearning for more? No matter who you are, Jesus is offering this to you!!!

#### MEMORY VERSE

Romans 12:16 " Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

When they come back, they excitedly talk about what they had seen, how Jesus spoke with the woman who then led the whole town to come and see Jesus. Then they realize that Jesus' free gift of the water of life is for everyone, no matter who they are or where they come from. Investigator is encouraged that she can share Jesus with her new friend and plans to do so next time.

#### **D** JUSTICE

Jesus was not afraid to interact with the people that the world rejected. Be like Jesus and have a conversation with someone who you normally might not want to talk to due to their social status.

#### **S** BIOGRAPHY (HOUSEWIFE)

The woman who does household chores is known as a housewife. It is about the person who oversees developing the tasks that are necessary for the daily operation of a home.

Responsibilities: A housewife is in charge of keeping the house clean, doing laundry, cooking, shopping and, if she has children, she takes care of them and helps them study, among a wide variety of tasks. Despite having these responsibilities, her job does not receive a payment, unlike anyone who has a job or who carries out a work activity outside the home.

Opportunities: A woman who stays at home with the children can make the most of the capacities and abilities of her little ones; make them understand and teach them values, principles, and the word of God. It is a great opportunity to impact those lives that are unfolding.

At present we must understand that we are first people, before men or women, that we can both carry out different tasks at home with responsibility according to the abilities that God has given us. We just must believe in ourselves and achieve God's purpose for our life.

### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. How can I have a better relationship with people I don't like?

Although we think it is difficult, it is not as difficult as it seems to get along with people we do not like. Many times, we don't like someone just because our friends don't like them either, but we haven't made an attempt to get to know that person. It is an opportunity for you to make a difference.

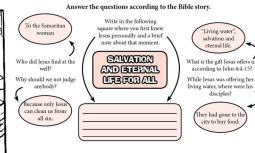
- 2. What if I associate with someone who does not have a particularly good reputation? In history they tell us about the Samaritan woman, a woman whose name is unknown, but her reputation is known. However, that was not a pretext for Jesus not to share the plan of salvation with her. Just as it can happen with us who do not want to approach someone because of what others might say one can take the first step and approach the people that the rest do not want to approach; we can get a big surprise.
- 3. Should I imitate everything that Jesus did?

Generally, the actions that He carried out are those that should direct ours, it does not mean that we must do things exactly as he did, but they are a reference to be able to make decisions in our behavior. Paul encourages us to imitate him, just as he imitates Christ (1 Corinthians 11: 1), one of many quotes that we can mention about it, I like Philippians 2: 3-8, we must have the attitude of doing good to others without having any benefit for ourselves.

#### **D** PUZZLE ANSWERS

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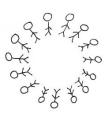




#### **S** GAME

## Gestures and greetings

Have the whole group form a circle. A person begins by saying her name accompanied by a gesture, jumping, greeting, dancing, etc. and everyone repeats it. Continue until everyone has said their name with their gesture and the whole group has repeated it.





#### **S** HOMEWORK

Interact with a problem boy or girl in your school room, or with the immigrant boy or even of another religion. Do not allow prejudice to keep you away. Give him a greeting in the morning or ask him how his day was. If you dare, share some of your food and don't be surprised if their reaction is negative. Try it during the week and then talk to your Sunday school teacher about what happened.

## WORTH IT ALL





Rich Young Ruler: Mark 10:17-27

Agent shares something that has been bothering him for a while. He has a favorite video game that he plays every chance he gets. It's so fun that he can play for hours, and he is getting very good at it and can win bigger and bigger battles and he has a huge collection of trophies and special items, some of which are very rare. But lately the game has been bothering him because there are some

attitudes in the game and even some evil in it that he knows in his heart are wrong. But it seems like such harmless fun. He still manages to finish all his schoolwork and chores at home. He only plays during his free time. The team is a little puzzled about what he should do. They decide to see if they can learn something back in time.

### **D** LESSON

God does not want anything coming between Him and us. He loves us so much that he came to us as a baby so that He might experience our world and meet us where we live! Let's look at this story.

Read Mark 10:17-27

When the rich man asked Jesus what he needed to do to be saved, Jesus saw that the man valued riches more than his relationship with God and Jesus focused on this one thing. Jesus told him to sell his possessions and give the money away to poor people. But Jesus was right, the man could not do it. His wealth was more important to him than a personal relationship with God.

What is most important to you? Think about the most important thing to you besides God. Would you be willing to give away your favorite toy? Or willing to leave your family someday to follow God and do what He has for you?

God wants a personal relationship with each of us so much that He is jealous of anything that comes between us and God. Money, fame, friends, and social status are all things that can be barriers between us and God. God's goal is not to deprive us of good things, but to give us an abundant life with Him. And these things can get in the way of that.

#### MEMORY VERSE

Mark 8:35 " For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it."

## DRAMA (PART 2)

When they get back, agent tells the team that it is now very clear what he must do. While the game feels fun and rewarding and he has many treasures stored up, none of it is worth more to him than following Jesus. Perhaps he can play a different video game that honors God more, but he knows he must stop playing his favorite game. Leader suggests that if he wants to stop playing an addicting game, he should delete it completely from his device to remove the temptation. Agent agrees and determines to do so as soon as he gets home.

#### **S** JUSTICE

When you see someone with less things and money than you do, remember that there are less things between that person and God.

#### **S** BIOGRAPHY (MERCHANT)

The merchant is the person who is dedicated to negotiating, buying, and selling merchandise. The term is used for one who owns a business or who works at a business.

Responsibilities: They oversee providing communities with the necessary basic products and even medicines that are needed, along with other extra things. It is interesting to note that merchants perform one of the oldest activities in the world.

Opportunities: Merchants are people who buy or sell products. In this way they contact many people of a city or town. It is important to be an honest person and leave a lesson to each customer you are chatting with. What better way to share the goodness of God is your life, so that the faith of others can grow when you meet someone who is a witness of God's faithfulness.

#### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. When was the last time you thought that your plans were more important than serving God?

It is difficult to understand what God has for our lives. We could say that it is difficult to make the decision to serve God or to pursue our dreams. If we try to see things the way God sees them for us, the perspective changes. It's not about sacrificing our dreams; it's about learning to accept God's plan for our life.

Abraham made a decision that was radical for his life, to leave everything and go to a place that he did not know. But he had the faith to trust that God's plan was better and that his dreams could also be fulfilled by doing the will of the Father.

2. Have you felt compelled to show your love for God in any way?

When we value the things of God and do them from the heart, it is something that shows your gratitude and love towards him. We are saying by our actions that we are willing to depend on the Father. For example, the rich man could not really part with his possessions because that was the most important thing to him.

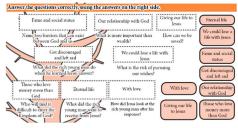
3. How can I know what God wants for my life?

Looking to God every day we can come to understand what he wants us to do or how to behave. Remember, he wants to have a personal relationship with you and remove from your life everything that may be a barrier between you and him. Do not compare yourself to other people; God works individually. His purpose will always be that we are better every day in all aspects of our life.

#### DUZZLE ANSWERS

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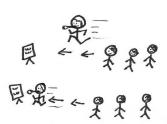




## **S** GAME

#### The Lemon Game

Divide the children into two teams. Place a blackboard or large sheet of paper some distance from the starting line. Give the first child of each team soa pencil and a spoon that. She must hold the spoon only with her mouth, carrying a lemon. When the leader shouts "go" she must go to the blackboard without dropping the lemon and write the first word of the Bible verse. Then she must go back to his team and pass the pencil and lemon to the next player. The first team that finishes writing the entire verse correctly, including the reference, wins.





#### **D** HOMEWORK

Select one of your toys or an object that you think you value a lot (only if you really want to do it) and give it to someone who does not have many toys. If it was difficult for you to do it this week, try again next week. After you have done it, share with your Sunday class. How was it?

# FOLLOW JESUS' INSTRUCTIONS 4



## Jesus healed 10 lepers: Luke 17:11-19

#### DRAMA (PART 1)

Agent comes in asking the team for help. He says that his parents have noticed a big change in his behavior after accepting Jesus, which is wonderful. But he can't stop saying bad words; they just come out of him. Is there anything he can do to get stronger and stop those things? Investigator shares how she struggles with doing chores and often leaves them undone, which is unkind toward her mother, and Investigator wants to do better. A while back, she put the Bible

next to her bed and reads the Bible every morning and prays and sings a song to God before she even gets out of bed. It is simple, but gradually she is getting better at chores because the time with God helps her start the morning with a good attitude. Agent decides he will try it. Investigator encourages him to keep it going for a long time, because the change can be gradual. They go back in time on their mission.

#### **D** LESSON

Again, Jesus has compassion on "foreigners." People felt Jesus should not have contact with these people, but Jesus loved them anyway and healed them.

Read Luke 17:11-19

There was no ceremony or ritual or special prayer. Jesus just gave them instructions that they were to go to the priests to follow the Old Testament law. As the 10 men did as Jesus told them to, they were healed from this terrible disease. Following the simple instructions of Jesus resulted in an incredible blessing in their lives.

One of the men returned to Jesus and worshiped Him, thanking Jesus for the miracle.

It is so easy to just accept God's blessing on our lives and not give God the credit!

So, we can learn at least three things from this story. First, it is OK to ask God for the things we need, even if we do not feel we are worthy of His blessing.

Second, when God gives us instructions, we should follow the instructions.

Third, we should always thank God and tell others what God has done for us!

#### MEMORY VERSE

Philippians 4:6 " Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

Back from the mission, they are amazed at how Jesus healed the lepers in such an ordinary way. Agent mentions that following simple instructions can really make a big change. Investigator realizes that she should praise and thank God as He gradually changes her and helps her do chores for her mom. Leader mentions how he has seen some positive changes in both their lives and praises God for those things.

#### **D** JUSTICE

Watch for what God is doing in other people's lives and celebrate with them!

#### **©** BIOGRAPHY (NURSE)

The nurse is the person who attends or assists the sick, injured, wounded and dying. The nurse has to follow the doctor's direction. The nurse takes care of people of all ages wherever assigned, independently or in collaboration with a medical team.

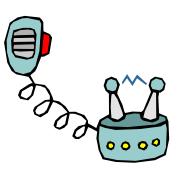
Responsibilities: Their work focuses on the direct and intensive care of the sick where they are. Their role is vital to prolong health and well-being, and to improve the quality of life of patients. The nurse must supervise compliance with medical directions and the appropriate nutrition for each case.

Opportunities: By gaining the trust of the people they serve they can greatly impact their lives. In addition to technical and theoretical knowledge, they must have an attitude of service in this important vocation. It takes a large dose of tolerance and a high level of empathy for patients, making their knowledge, commitment and solidarity available to others.

#### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

#### 1. Do I always have to follow directions?

I should remember that every time I have a new accessory or game, I should read the instructions on how to get the most out of it. So I understand that instructions are helpful, Jesus told Bartimaeus to go to the pool to remove the mud that he had put in his eyes, Bartimaeus obeyed the instructions and regained his sight. Imagine what could have happened if he did not comply with those instructions. It's better to know that he followed them and was healthy.



#### 2. Why do my parents insist that I be grateful?

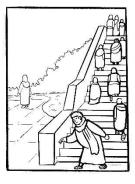
It is an attitude that we must promote daily, perhaps for you it is annoying when listening to your parents or the authorities advising you to be grateful. Just analyze a moment in the lesson we heard that Jesus healed 10 lepers and only 1 of them, realizing that he was healed, returned to thank him for that miracle. Jesus says to him: and where are the rest, was it not 10 that I healed? This indicates to us that, if it was a good attitude for Him to be grateful, it is also important that we be grateful.

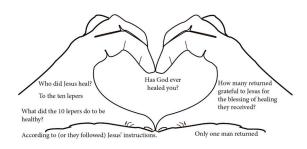
#### 3. If my parents' instructions go against what God wants, should I follow them?

The Bible tells us that all authority comes from God; Based on that we can do what our parents tell us, taking into account that we do not do something that we know offends God. If parents forbid us to attend church, there are options to be able to hear from the word of God. The time will come when the decision will be ours, let us respect our parents and obey the commandments of God. Both can be done together.

#### **D** PUZZLE ANSWERS







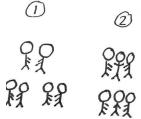
## GAME

#### Musical Hugs

Organize the group individually or in pairs until a large group is formed. Play upbeat music as participants jump around the room.

When the music stops, each participant gives another a hug and says their name.

The music continues and the next time it stops three children will hug each other and say their names like this until they get together in a big musical hug.











## **HOMEWORK**

Think of things that you have asked of God and that you have received this week and if He answered anything that you asked for, either for your family or your own life, take some time to thank God, then tell the teacher about it in Sunday school.

## BE HUMBLE LIKE JESUS





## Jesus washed His disciples' feet: John 13:3-17

### DRAMA (PART 1)

Today they need to clean the machine after the mission. Agent has cleaned the machine twice in a row, and today is Investigator's turn. She does not want to do it and tries ways to get out of doing the chore. Besides, she is a senior member of the team, so really Agent should clean it again. Leader tells her that today is her turn and she must clean it when they get back. She agrees.

#### **D** LESSON

Jesus was eating dinner with His disciples when He did something so shocking to the disciples that Peter told Jesus to stop. Let's take a look.

Read John 13:3-17.

What Jesus did was something that only servants would do. In Luke 22:27, Jesus asked the disciples which was greater, the one who serves or the one who is served. Of course, it is the one who is served. But Jesus said, "I am among you as one who serves," and He demonstrated it with His actions. He even washed the feet of the disciple that He knew would betray Him.

Jesus showed His humility in other ways as well. He was willing to leave heaven and come to earth as a baby! He never owned a home or permanent home as an adult. He did not have servants. He did not demand that people worship Him. At His trial, He did not respond to false accusations. He did not rebuke the soldiers who mocked Him.

And in the end, He laid down His life for us, His sheep. Philippians 2:8 says; "Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

Jesus said we should follow His example and be a servant to all. Not just those that we like, but all the people that God created.

#### MEMORY VERSE

Philippians 2:3-4 " Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, 4not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

Back from the trip, they discuss how Jesus, who is the great king of the universe, knelt down and washed the disciples' feet. It looked like an awful job! Some of the disciples had warts on their big, hairy toes! And all the feet stank. Investigator apologizes for her attitude about cleaning the machine. Leader thinks for a second, then declares that he will wash the machine today, and Investigator can clean it next time. Investigator volunteers to

clean the operation control desk, and Agent volunteers to clean the grease off the spare parts around the mechanical area.

#### **D** JUSTICE

Jesus came to serve people and we are to follow his example. So, we should always be looking for simple ways to serve others, even those who hurt us.

#### **S** BIOGRAPHY (MESSENGER)

A Messenger is a person whose job is to perform the service of collecting a correspondence or packages from whoever requires it and then taking it and delivering it to the indicated destination. It can be in the same or another town.

Responsibilities: The messenger must be an honest person who carries out orders safely. It is important to earn the trust of their customers to expand their network of contacts and thus have more work.

Opportunities: When they have earned the trust of people, they can leave a personal mark on them, which will always be remembered. Take advantage of that to provide a service with responsibility, always doing the best in each delivery.

At present, trust in people has been lost. Due to so many situations of scams or deception it is difficult for someone to stop worrying when using messaging services for the first time. The messenger decides if that situation continues or changes.

## **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What actions must I take to be humble?

There are many situations in which we can "practice" being humble. When we have the opportunity to choose something, be modest without pretensions. Thinking that others are more important than you is another way. Analyze each action of your previous day and you will be able to understand if you have been arrogant or if you have been humble.

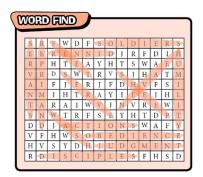
2. Should I fight for my reputation when people tell lies about me?

It is quite difficult to be in that situation. Normally we defend ourselves and deny what is being said about us. If we see what Jesus went through at the trial, they were accusing him of unjust things so that they would kill him. But he didn't say anything. Allow people over time to realize that the things they say about you are lies, without having to talk about it and you will see the good reactions of people towards you.

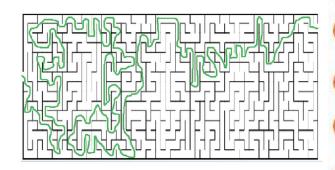
3. How can I teach my friends or brothers to be humble?

The best thing is that they see it in us. Words can be misinterpreted; but our actions speak for themselves. Appreciating those who are very capable in a subject and asking for help is an act of humility. Be yourself.

#### **D** PUZZLE ANSWERS







## **©** GAME

#### The Surprise Box

Prepare a box or a bag with a series of rolled paper strips on which some tasks have been written. For example, say a Bible verse, sing a song, share your crayons, share your favorite toy for a while, among other things. The participants forming a circle will pass the box from hand to hand until a certain signal. The person who has the box at the time the signal is given must remove one of the strips of paper and perform the task indicated. The game will continue until the papers are gone. The participant who performs the last activity will now lead the game.



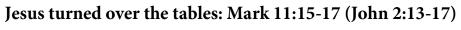


#### **S** HOMEWORK

Do chores for someone in your house or at school, without them asking you to help with the chores. At school, help pick up trash from a room that you have never cleaned.

## PASSIONATE LIKE JESUS







#### © DRAMA (PART 1)

Agent tells the team that he is planning a little business opportunity with his sister. She is an artist and can make pretty wall decorations, and some of the decorations she made have Bible verses. He is planning to sell them. The other day, he saw someone put a higher price on religious items because they are religious and therefore bring people closer to God. He is planning on putting a higher price on the wall hangings with Bible verses. Investigator says it's

not a good idea to increase the price. But Agent is not convinced as they go back in time.

#### **S** LESSON

Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey and with people singing His praises and laying their coats on the ground in front of Him. This was a sign that He was a king! The Jews were doing well. But when Jesus visited the temple, He found people doing business instead of praying and worshiping God, and the priests were allowing this!

Read Mark 11:15-17.

This seems like a violent response from a teacher who has been teaching love and humility. But there is more to the story here. The Old Testament law required people to come to the temple once a year and offer sacrifices of things they had grown and raised. If it was difficult for someone to bring the required sacrifice, they could purchase something in Jerusalem to offer instead. Merchants had set-up shop inside the temple courts to sell these items. Unfortunately, they were offering these items at really high prices since it would be difficult for the travelers to buy them somewhere else. They were taking advantage of people at God's own temple! This prompted Jesus to call them robbers.

There is nothing that irritates God more than when someone gets in the way of others finding God, because He loves people and wants them to be with Him. In Matthew 23:13, Jesus again chastised the religious leaders for keeping people out of heaven. Let us try never to get in the way of someone finding God by burdening them with rules or by taking advantage of them but let us make it easy for them to find God.

#### MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 23:13 "Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You shut the door of the kingdom of heaven in people's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

Coming back from Jerusalem in Jesus' day, Agent is stunned by Jesus' reaction to the merchants in the temple. Agent asks Leader who tells him that God wants us to help people find Him, not push them away or take advantage of them as they try to seek God. After discussing this for a few minutes, Leader helps Agent change his attitude away from making a profit and instead to see his little business as an opportunity to help people to find God. He decides to put a discount on the decorations with Bible verses and to ask his sister for even more of them.

#### **5** JUSTICE

Jesus acted violently to those taking advantage of poor people in God's name. We should defend those who cannot defend themselves, especially in the church.

#### **S** BIOGRAPHY (SOLDIER)

A soldier, in its general sense, is an individual who has voluntarily enlisted or is in compulsory military service in the armed forces of a sovereign country. The soldier receives training and equipment to defend the country and its interests.

Responsibilities: Within the army, groups of soldiers are divided into different services. For example, infantry, armored weapon, artillery, military police, etc. The soldier has a high sense of obedience, cooperation, and discretion.

Opportunities: The Christian soldier has the opportunity to be honest, hard-working, and attentive to instructions. Avoid complaining and starting or encouraging rumors, knowing that good morale makes your unit more effective and worthy of respect. The soldier can also look for ways to help others, encourage others, and work as a team. You can have a significant effect on your unit, no matter your rank.

#### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What if am passionate about my things, but not about serving God? It is interesting how we put enthusiasm in the things that we like a lot. If we serve God, it means knowing his place in our lives. When we are part of a sport team or any number of activities, we take time to prepare and also attend each meeting. When God has the first place in everything we do, it



becomes easy to give the time that is required and, of course, to do it with passion, enjoying what we do.

2. Sometimes I feel like I'm making a fool of myself and I don't like it ...

Remember, you can ask for God's help with that feeling when you do something for him. Many boys and girls are so comfortable in their churches that it does not require genuine passion for God. In some other parts of the world many are giving their lives for Jesus. They certainly have genuine passion for God. I invite you to surrender that feeling of discomfort and ask God to give you passion for his service.

3. Should I imitate the anger of Jesus in bringing the merchants out of the temple? Sometimes we focus on actions that can give us the opportunity to do the things we want to do. At that moment, Jesus was upset because worshiping the Father was not being given the importance it deserved. His anger was directed towards the Pharisees and the Teachers of the Law because of what they allowed in the

temple. God probably will not ask us to do something that drastic. Be careful not to do things that will hurt others, because they are important to God.







## **S** GAME

#### Bring to me

The participants divide themselves into small teams and the teams are positioned as far away from the facilitator as possible. Then the facilitator says, "Bring me ..." and says the name of an object that is nearby. For example, "Bring me a man's or a woman's shoes" (things can be objects that are inside the classroom.) The team runs to bring what has been



requested. You can repeat this several times, asking teams that bring different things.



#### **6** HOMEWORK

Make a list of the things or people that are above your love for God and that probably make you lose your passion for God (girlfriend or boyfriend, schoolwork, cell phone, sports, toys, friends). Ask God to teach you to see with His eyes. Also, take more time to talk to God this week.

## JESUS' HEART REVEALED



Garden of Gethsemane: Matthew 26:36-39, 47-54



## DRAMA (PART 1)

Investigator is very sad today. Yesterday she found out that a close friend, who lately has been spending more time with another girl, betrayed Investigator's confidence and told the other girl bad things about her, including one of her secrets. Investigator learned about it because the other girl did not keep the secret and now the whole school knows about it. Then the teacher

assigned them a pair project and put her together with that girl! Leader and Agent are distressed along with Investigator and try to comfort her.

### **S** LESSON

Read Matthew 26:36-39, 47-54.

Jesus was really distressed because He knew all the horrible things that were going to happen to him in the next hours. First, Jesus sought God the Father in prayer. What an example of what we should do when we are worried or distraught! We can also follow His example in painful moments by asking God to change things yet submitting to His will, trusting that God has in mind our eternal good and good for those around us.

Then Judas, one of the people that Jesus had chosen to be a best friend, brought people who wanted to harm Jesus directly to Him. This was a betrayal of the highest sort and had to be crushing to Jesus on top of the grief Jesus was already feeling.

But even in this horrible time, Jesus still called Judas "Friend" and when one of the men who came to hurt Jesus was injured in a fight, Jesus had the grace to stop the fight and heal the man.

This story reveals the heart of Jesus so clearly. In a time of immense pain for Jesus, He still was able to act with kindness and reveal His great love for all of us, even those trying to harm him.

#### **S** MEMORY VERSE

Luke 6:27 " "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

When they come back, they are amazed as they discuss with each other what they saw, how Jesus treated those arresting Him with kindness. Investigator thinks about her situation with the girl in school and realizes that it is very similar. She tells the team how she noticed some incorrect answers in the girl's homework and has no desire to help her, wanting to let her get a bad grade. But now she realizes that she should help the girl with her homework even though she hurt Investigator. It is incredibly difficult, which makes her more in awe of what Jesus did. The team decides to pray together to ask God to help Investigator be kind to the girl, knowing that she can do even the impossible with Jesus' help.

#### **S** JUSTICE

Have you ever found out that a friend said something mean about you to other people? This feels like betrayal because it is! Let's always work to say only kind things about other people.

### **BIOGRAPHY (PHYSIOTHERAPIST)**

The physiotherapist is a health professional in the diagnosis, prevention and treatment of multiple pathological states (set of symptoms that are associated with a certain ailment and mobility) who aims to facilitate the development and recovery of the parts affected by pain without the need of medications.

Responsibilities: Like a doctor or nurse, they must have a high commitment and empathy towards the patient . A physiotherapist is not a masseur, but has university training and seeks to treat diseases and prevent them through techniques such as heat, cold and water therapy or physical rehabilitation treatments.

Opportunities: A Christian physiotherapist can encourage patients, work well with doctors and other medical staff, and keep up to date on treatments and procedures. Since the physiotherapist is in contact with many patients in their time of need, there are great opportunities for simple counseling and helping with family and friends.

#### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Can God deliver me from bad things?

Of course, He wants the best for us; We each go through different processes and sometimes there are "bad things" that can happen to us to achieve what

God has for our lives. When you have had a negative experience, it can be difficult to understand why that is happening. If we ask ourselves "why" we have lost our orientation. Good and bad things happen in the world. Even Jesus could not avoid suffering before going to the cross. He had to live it to take a step forward in his personal process. It is the same with us so that we, too, can step forward in the life God has for us.

2. It is difficult to forgive a betrayal. How can we forgive that?

It depends on each one how it will affect us, Jesus suffered the betrayal of one of his own; someone who was always by his side. But at the time of the betrayal he had no anger or annoyance towards Judas. He knew that the consequence of that situation was for the benefit of all of us. Jesus knew what was in the hearts of people. (John 2:26) That would have included betrayal. We need to know that, too, and that there is possible to forgive even a betrayer.

3. Can I heal my heart?

We can do it, but it is difficult to heal our heart when it has been hurt many times. The actions that we do or stop doing can show us how our heart is. When Jesus was betrayed, no doubt he felt disappointed, but at that very moment he was humble and had compassion on one of the guards who was capturing him. He replaced and healed the ear that Pedro had cut off. I am not sure that we would have acted in the same way. re He showed with his action that his heart was not damaged.

#### PUZZLE ANSWERS

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#### Answer the questions according to what you believe.

- What is the name of your best friend? \_\_\_\_\_ Jasmine
  - What would you do if your friend betrayed you?\_ I am very sad
- What would you do if your friend sold you for money or told something very personal about you? <u>deceived.</u>
- Why do you think Jesus healed the soldier's ear? Because even with all this, Iesus showed infinite love and friendship for everyone Could you forgive a betrayal like Jesus did and why? Of course, yes, Jesus has pardoned me. Why don't I do it?
- When should you pray? At any time, whenever good or bad things happen to us.



### **S** GAME

#### Who are you?

Ask for a volunteer to come out of the room. While the volunteer is outside, the rest of the participants choose an occupation for him / her. It could be a character from the biographies seen in the class lessons. When the volunteer returns, the rest of the participants act out the activities of that person. The volunteer must guess the occupation that has been chosen for him / her according to the activities that are performed.









#### **D** HOMEWORK

This week if someone unjustly offended, cheated or scolded you, do not fight. Stay still and pray for them and ask God to give you peace. Talk to your Sunday school teachers about how you felt.

## **NJUSTICE!**





Jesus on trial: Mark 14:57-65, 15:1-15

## DRAMA (PART 1)

Agent is upset today. He tells the team that the school had a soccer ball taken, and they are blaming him for taking it. He surely did not take it! He heard someone say that they think it is him because he is a Christian, which is more infuriating to him. He defends himself to his friends Leader and Investigator. Leader believes him and calms him down before they go back in time.

#### **S** LESSON

Read Mark 14:55-65, 15:1-15.

Jesus was free of guilt. Even the lies about Him just could not be believed. Jesus finally helped His accusers by stating that HE was the Messiah, which is the truth. The religious leaders felt this was enough for a death sentence. Since they didn't have the authority to kill anyone, they sent Jesus to Pilate, a Roman leader, but Pilate legally found Jesus innocent. Yet the leaders of the Jews persuaded a mob of people to demand the death of Jesus.

Through all of this, Jesus did not defend Himself. Perhaps if he had spoken in defense, He would not have been killed. But Jesus knew that it had to happen so we could be saved.

To punish a guilty person is right and just. But Jesus had never sinned and was still punished in the worst way possible. He willingly endured the greatest injustice of all time for us!!

#### MEMORY VERSE

Isaiah 53:9 " He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth."

## DRAMA (PART 2)

When they come back, they talk about Jesus in trial and how He did not say a word in His defense, instead letting them sentence Him to death. Agent says that it is not fair. Leader encourages him that God who is sovereign over all things will bring justice in the end. They read 1 Peter 2:23 and see how Jesus entrusted Himself to the Father who is just. Then they read Philippians 2:5-11 and see how Jesus is exalted above everyone else in the end. Agent feels better now, knowing that God who sees everything and knows that he did not take the soccer ball will bring justice in the end.

#### **S** JUSTICE

Have you ever been wrongly accused? It really hurts. Let's be careful when we accuse anyone of anything.

### **S** BIOGRAPHY (JUDGE)

A judge is the highest authority of a court of justice. They resolve conflicts between two people, or decide the fate of a person accused of a crime taking into account the evidence presented in a trial.

Responsibilities: To provide justice, the judge has deep knowledge of the laws since they are responsible for monitoring compliance with the laws. The judge is a human being and, therefore, is not exempt from making some mistake in his verdict.

Opportunities: A Christian judge has the opportunity to judge fairly and oversee many people. They can influence not only the court system, but police activities, schools, and public institutions. All of those things are very important to God, so He can more effectively do His good works when the judge is paying attention to him.

#### © QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. What is it to be religious?

It refers to people who want to follow the directions of the Bible literally, in the case of this story; they only wanted to use their knowledge to accuse others, but they do not apply the commandments to themselves in the same way. Generally, we can do the same, demand that others do what we cannot.



2.So the culprit should be punished?

As we normally see it, every person who has committed a sin should be punished. But Jesus can change our way of thinking. When they brought the adulterous woman to him, he did not accuse her despite being found at the time she committed the sin (John 8: 1-11). Jesus told those who accused her, "Whoever is free from sin, cast the first stone." This shows us that we should not be so legalistic with people who have committed a sin because we could be in a similar situation.

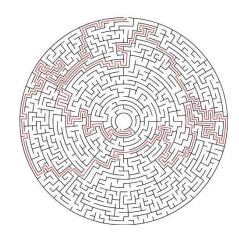
3. What can I do when I feel guilty about something?

When we feel that we have not done something correctly, we feel guilty; We can say that it is a good feeling because we are recognizing that we were wrong. The right thing to do is learn from that situation and be able to act differently. The next time something similar comes up, apologize or repair the damage. Read 1 John

### **S** ANSWERS TO ACTIVITIES







## **S** GAME

#### Hello Hello

Participants stand up and form a circle. A person walks around the circle, on the outside and touches someone on the shoulder. That person walks around the circle in the opposite direction, until the two people are face to face. They greet each other three times by name. Then the two people run in opposite directions around the circle, until they take the empty spot. The person who loses walks around the circle again and the game continues until everyone has had a turn.



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### **D** HOMEWORK

If this week someone accused you of something unjust, do not defend yourself. Ask God to make that person see that he has made a mistake and admit it. If he does not do it, let God do it in good time.

## LIFE IN DEATH





Jesus Crucified: Matthew 27:27-31, 45-54

## DRAMA (PART 1)

Agent enters with a question. He is struggling with anger, often yelling at his sister when she irritates him. And he is worried because he forgot if he prayed for salvation at all or if he prayed the right prayer. Did God really hear him? What if he yells at his sister then something bad happens before he asks for forgiveness? Leader consoles him, saying that he remembers when Agent accepted Jesus and that Jesus has paid for everything entirely, including past and future sins. Agent is not entirely convinced as they go back in time to see Jesus dying on the cross.

#### **S** LESSON

The soldiers made fun of Jesus and beat him and nailed Him to a cross of wood. Death on a cross was slow and painful, a horrible way to die. This was as bad as it could possibly get. But this was an event so powerful that the world shook! Even non-religious people recognized that this was a significant spiritual event and declared that Jesus surely was the Son of God. The curtain separating the Holies of Holies in the temple was wrecked, symbolizing that we now have direct access to God the Father! Our guilt no longer keeps us separated from God because He gives us His righteousness as a free gift. We are no longer left out but can now join His family as honored sons and daughters forever. And we no longer have to fear death or the enemy or anything because He has conquered death once and for all and gives us access to His ultimate authority and power.

The book of Hebrews makes it clear that even those great religious figures that came before and were considered righteous were not deserving of it themselves but were saved by what Jesus did on the cross. This is the most selfless act of all time and Jesus did it for us! How can we do anything but accept the gift that Jesus died for and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior!

#### MEMORY VERSE

Isaiah 53:5 " But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

Back from the past, the team are still amazed at what they saw. They talk about the pain that Jesus went through, how he was beaten up by the guards. Then they talk about him on the cross and the eerie darkness everywhere. Then Agent tells them how Jesus said, "It is finished" (John 19:30) and how Agent immediately knew that Jesus was talking about all of Agent's sins when He said that! Agent hops around repeatedly exclaiming, "It is finished!" Meanwhile, Leader and Investigator talk about the earthquake and the rocks breaking and the commotion when dead people came to life.

#### **D** JUSTICE

The kindest, most significant thing we could ever do for someone is tell them the story of Jesus and how He willingly gave His own life so we could live!

#### **S** BIOGRAPHY (GUARD)

Guard is the name given to the person who provides protective services. It should be mentioned that it is a job with very inflexible hours and in many cases exhausting. In certain trades and professions, the person that works outside normal hours is known as a guard.

Responsibilities: In general, companies usually have a guard during office hours, and another during the hours they are closed. The latter must spend long hours, generally alone, attentive to every noise, every strange movement.

Opportunities: A Christian guard has the opportunity to care for the people and resources of the company. The guard can treat people kindly but be aware that pressure can be put on a guard to do special favors that should not be done. Integrity is especially important. Be kind, but do not believe everyone while making sure you are complying with the goals of your job.

#### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

#### 1. Are we all children of God?

No, the correct thing is that we are all his creation. This term has been confused. To be children of God we must accept Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord. Read "John 1:12" By giving our hearts and lives to God, we have the right to be called his children, there is no other way.

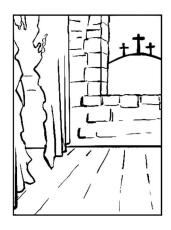


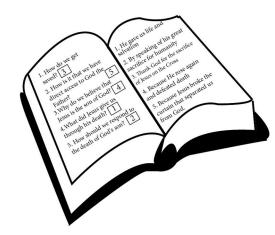
#### 2. Why did Jesus lay down his life for me?

Because he loves you. It is an act of love that we do not deserve, Read John 3:16 and notice, "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son." God loved the people he created that he decided to give what he loved most, his son; so that by his death we can be saved. His blood covers all our faults and because of that, God sees us as his children. Jesus went from being the only begotten (only born son of God); to be the firstborn (the one who receives the biggest inheritance). It is a sacrifice that we should remember and love, and that is why it is important that you share it with your friends and family.

## **D** PUZZLE ANSWERS

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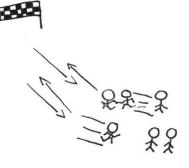






#### In threes

The teacher divides the students into several teams of three players each, which form lines at the starting line. When the teacher gives the signal, those at the head of the line run away, reach the goal, return and the second takes the hand of the third. The three of them run again without letting go of their hands at any time towards the goal and back to the starting point. The team that finishes first is the one that wins.





### **S** HOMEWORK

Talk to your parents or someone you trust about how you felt when you knew what Jesus went through when he was crucified and how you feel about the gift of salvation he gave you.

## SCOUNDREL SAVED







#### DRAMA (PART 1)

Investigator has a relative who lived a long way away who passed away recently. She is concerned about her relative because he had not been following God his whole life, but her father traveled to visit and prayed with him in the last moments. She does not know what to think about it. In discussing what to do next, the team decides to go back to see Jesus' crucifixion because there was so much to see in so little time. Leader had caught a little bit of a conversation that sounded important that they missed the first time. Though the idea of seeing Jesus suffering again seems

painful, they decide to go anyway and hide in a different place where they can hear better.

#### **©** LESSON

Read Luke 23:32, 33, 39-43

When Jesus was killed on the cross, two criminals were also killed. Jesus had a short, simple conversation with one of them. This man asked Jesus to remember him. Jesus told the man that he would be with Jesus in paradise. Again, we see Jesus taking the time and effort to talk with someone even when Jesus was in immeasurable pain.

We don't know what crimes the thief committed to be killed on a cross. In the same way, the wrong things we have done do not matter because Jesus' perfect sacrifice willingly given is more powerful than anything. Jesus freely gave His life for us that we could have eternal life with Him!

This is the simplest, most direct description of how we can be saved from our sins through Jesus.

#### **S** MEMORY VERSE

Romans 10:11 " As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."

## DRAMA (PART 2)

Coming back, Investigator is relieved and happy that someone like the thief who died with Jesus could be saved and that Jesus would invite him into paradise just like that. The team discusses how, just like Agent's past and future sins are covered by Jesus' death on the cross, so Investigator's relative's whole life of sin was covered by Jesus. Certainly, it is better to live with Jesus in this life and experience His love and joy and peace now than to wait until the last moment. But they conclude that God is generous, and the blood of Jesus is powerful.

#### **D** JUSTICE

Just like we can accept Jesus' gift no matter where we come from or what we have done, so others can accept God's free gift no matter where they are from or what they have done.

#### **S** BIOGRAPHY (SINGER)

A singer is one who performs a professionally who has studied to make a career as a singer. The singer is dedicated to singing, of course, and hopes to receive pay for doing it.

Responsibilities: The singer must maintain a discipline of vocal training, with much care and practice since that is how the singer earns a living. If the singer becomes popular, it is important always to give glory to God and remember that with music we can encourage each other. 1 Corinthians 14:26

Opportunities: Christian singers have the responsibility not only to have musical knowledge, but also to maintain a deep relationship with God. They can be an instrument used by God, especially when accompanying the church in worship God.

Currently with social media it is easier to make yourself known as a singer, and some have achieved popularity that way. The singer may experience the presence of God and be used by God to help others experience his presence.



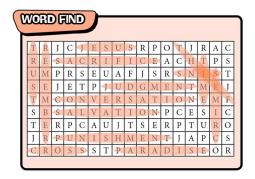
### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

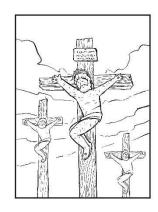
1. Am I saved simply by accepting Christ as my savior?

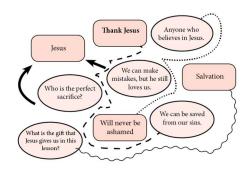
It is as easy as that. If it is done in all sincerity, you will show with your actions that He is the Lord of your life. Those actions that show you are saved are different for everybody, and sometimes the change is gradual and other times it is immediately evident. And sometimes a person asks Jesus to be savior to gain some reward or advantage, so it is not sincere.

2. Was it fair that the thief on the cross should be saved despite his faults? Jesus recognized the thief had humbled himself and stood up for Jesus. This shows the thief had repented, and Jesus more than anyone else would be able to tell if he was sincere. Remember, we don't decide how salvation should happen, but instead, we read the Bible to learn what we can about it.

#### **DUZZLE ANSWERS**







#### GAME

#### The last will be the first

All participants stand at the starting line and, when the teacher gives the signal, come out "running" as if they were being filmed in slow motion. The last to reach the goal is the winner.



## **D** HOMEWORK

Make a list of the things that you trust God can help you with. Talk it over with someone. At the end of the list put the text Romans 10:11, "Thus says the Scripture: Whoever trusts in him will never be disappointed".





## WORST BECOMES BEST





Jesus' resurrection: Matthew 27:57-61, 28:1-10, Luke 24:36-48

#### **DRAMA (PART 1)**

Agent comes in perplexed today. He asks the team why Jesus had to die for us? Then we get to live but He is dead? Leader tells him that Jesus is not dead. Agent responds that He is surely dead because they went back and saw it happen twice! How can Jesus not be dead when he saw it? Leader is excited as they prepare to go back in time, but he leaves the answer as a surprise for Agent to see for himself.

#### **S** LESSON

Read Matthew 27:57-61

As far as Jesus' followers were concerned, this was the end. To say they were disappointed would be a huge understatement.

How horrible that must have been for Jesus' followers. They had believed Jesus was the Messiah that the great prophets had predicted would come and save Israel. They had given up their jobs and left families to follow Jesus. Now, Jesus was dead and their dreams with Him.

But Jesus didn't stay dead for long...

Read Matthew 28:1-10 and Luke 24:36-48

How wonderful! What Jesus said was true! Jesus is alive! Over the next few days, Jesus showed himself alive to hundreds of people. How happy they must have been!

Sometimes we just need to see Jesus. When things are hard, let's ask Him to reveal Himself, then look for Him and His power working in our lives and in the lives of those around us.

Jesus had predicted His own death and resurrection!! He showed His great power, removing all doubts, and we can trust Him and follow Him in all areas of our lives.

#### **S** MEMORY VERSE

Hebrews 11:1 " Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see."

### DRAMA (PART 2)

When they come back, they are all overjoyed, especially Agent who did not previously know that Jesus rose from the dead! They discuss how Jesus was buried, then the morning that the women went and the angel... but their favorite part was when the man approached the women and suddenly, they realized that the man was Jesus! They discuss how they had to carefully sneak into the room before the disciples locked it, the trickiest mission they have done so far, then how Jesus suddenly appeared in the room! Agent excitedly ponders what

this means and how someday he will have a new body like Jesus did that can suddenly appear places and eat fish, though he would prefer chicken. He asks Leader who responds that he does not know exactly what our new bodies will be like, but they will definitely be good!

#### **S** JUSTICE

Everyone gets discouraged sometimes. Let's grieve with friends who are feeling sad but then remind them of our good God who brings good out of the worst circumstances.

#### **BIOGRAPHY (MISSIONARY)**

The missionary is the person who has been called by God and sometimes wil leave their country and their culture and move to another place.

Some believe that the missionary forces people to change their religion, that is why in many countries where they worship other gods they are not allowed entry or simply those who are already in those places are mistreated or even killed.

Responsibilities: They require training before going to a new place, to know how to adapt to the new culture where they serve, learning to eat "rare" foods, wearing another style of clothing, knowing and learning the language of the place, but above all Be very careful when sharing the gospel in whatever culture you are in, so that the doors remain open. As well as receiving care for your emotions when you are outside your country or place of origin.

Opportunities: Missionaries are examples of faith in our God, his provision in the midst of difficult circumstances, as well as the power of God opening doors and changing lives and being of integrity. A missionary is a person who is completely dedicated to that task and usually does so with complete commitment, devotion, and love to

who is completely dedicated to that task and usually does so with complete commitment, devotion, and love to follow in the footsteps of Jesus and fulfill the great commission.

### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Is what the Bible says still true?

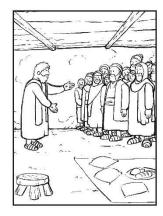
The Word of God does not expire, the things that were mentioned many years before Jesus was born, were fulfilled. Now we can see how the promises that are written there are being fulfilled in our lives. If you have even a little faith, you will see those promises fulfilled. Read Matthew 24:35 Just believe.

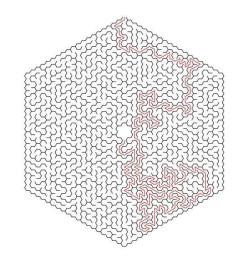
2. Why is it difficult for me to be faithful to God in difficult times?

It is normal to feel doubts and that we cannot get ahead. In difficult moments, for example, when your dad loses his job and you are about to go back to school, or your mommy gets sick with a virus as ugly as COVID, it will be the word of God saved in your memory and your heart that will help you have faith. Just imagine what the disciples felt when Jesus died on the cross. What they had believed, their confidence, their hopes were disappearing too, it was the words of Jesus that helped to trust Him.

## **D** PUZZLE ANSWERS

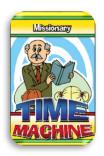




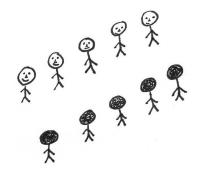


#### **S** GAME

#### Blues and reds



The teacher makes two equal teams, one of which will be the "Reds" and the other the "Blues". Both teams are placed in rows facing each other. The teacher will be the one who gives the orders. For example, when he says "Reds" this team must run to a previously established shelter located behind him. If a red catches a blue, the blue will turn red and join the opposing team. The team that manages to incorporate more players from the other



team into its ranks wins.

#### **b** HOMEWORK

During dinner, share with your family the best experience you have had in any activity of the congregation. Tell them why.

## UNLIKELY BELIEVER





Saul believes: Acts 9:1-20

### DRAMA (PART 1)

Agent comes in today wondering why God chose to save him? He does not come from a Christian home, and he knows so little about God. While excited, he is perplexed that God would save him and help him of all people, even though he had done so many wrong things before. Leader suggests that they go look at someone even more unlikely that God saved. They go back in time to meet Saul (Paul).

#### **D** LESSON

Even after crucifying Jesus, the religious leaders tried to stop people from believing in Jesus. A man named Saul who was a fervent religious leader thought he was doing what God wanted by persecuting Christians. Read Acts 9:1-22.

The man Ananias must have had great faith to follow God's leading and go to Saul who was hurting Christians. But, look at the incredible results! Saul's encounter with Jesus turned his whole life around. Saul (also called Paul) went from an angry man hurting people to a loving man telling others about God's love. He ended up making trips around the world telling people about Jesus. He started several churches and became one of the most influential Christians in history. God was so happy with Paul that God even saved some of what Paul wrote in the Bible!

We can be like Ananias and like Paul, telling people about Jesus and how to follow Him. We may never see on earth what God does through us or through the people who we introduce to Jesus, but in heaven we will be astonished and filled with joy and praise for God when we find out what God did through our lives.

#### MEMORY VERSE

Acts 1:8 " But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

Coming back, they discuss the incredible life change that they saw in the man named Saul. They wish they had seen what Saul saw in the vision but seeing someone blinded then able to see again was really amazing, too. Agent realizes that if God can save a man who was trying to kill and imprison Christians, then God can certainly save him, too. But what for? Leader shares briefly how Saul (who later changed his name to Paul) ended up going around the world and telling people about Jesus and wrote most of what we call the New Testament in the Bible! Agent is excited about what God could do through him, too.

#### **S** JUSTICE

Sometimes God prompts us to speak with someone about how they are mistreating someone. Great things can happen when we follow His leading.

#### BIOGRAPHY (ACROBAT)

Person who, with risk and great skill, jumps, dances or does any other exercise on the trapeze, tightrope, etc., as part of a show.

Responsibilities: An acrobat is an artist who develops a routine where he shows different skills related to balance, strength, concentration and jumping ability. It can be said that acrobatics are a combination of art and sport. Many years before Christ there were people who performed stunts in public, often for ritual purposes. Opportunities: The Christian acrobat has the opportunity to perform their act to attract crowds to an event or to testify about Christ. It also encourages skilled and disciplined people to get serious about getting fit which is a positive use of time.

In the case of acrobatic gymnastics, it is a sport where athletes compete with each other and receive various scores. Competitors must perform different acrobatics, accompanied by music that allows them to develop their choreographies. These attract more crowds and can lead to a better testimony.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. Can I change radically?

Yes, but if we try to do it by ourselves it will be almost an impossible mission. But the point is to leave our life, feelings and thoughts in Christ

Jesus. In this way we can change radically because our strength depends on God. In history we see that Saul had a radical change from being a persecutor of the church to being an apostle whom God used to greatly influence the known world and to write much of the New Testament. Acts narrates the "adventures" of Paul, Saul radically changing.

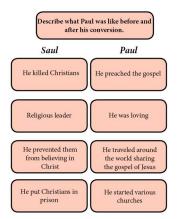
2. Why don't I always understand what God has told me?

God works in different ways with each person. It is like the fingers of your hand; they have different functions, but they are all useful. Sometimes we do not understand the reason why someone wants to do something that we would not do and we cannot understand the reason for their attitude. We cannot know what God has said to that person. Something similar happened with Peter and Paul. Peter was not effective telling the Gentiles about Salvation, but God had entrusted that task to Paul.

## D PUZZLE ANSWERS

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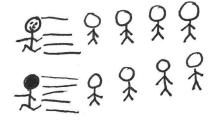


#### **S** GAME

#### From one side to the other



The teacher divides the group into two rows. When the teacher gives the signal, the players at the head of the row run sideways, so that their right arm goes towards the finish line. When they reach the finish line they run sideways back without turning around. When they get to the



rest of the team, they touch the next player in line and move to the back of the queue. Each player in turn does the same, until everyone has run. The team who finishes first wins.

#### **D** HOMEWORK

Tell the class how you believe in Jesus and who told you about him. And if you were to preach about Jesus, would you be a pastor, evangelist, or do some other function.

## CAN I COME, TOO?





### Peter preached salvation: Acts 2:14, 36-40

#### DRAMA (PART 1)

Investigator and Agent are fully convinced about Jesus' death and resurrection and convinced that God can use them. But how? Leader suggests they go back in time to see what the disciples did after Jesus went up to heaven.

#### **D** LESSON

Read Acts 2:1-14, 36-40

Peter had recently denied he knew Jesus. Now, he had met with Jesus after He was raised from the dead, Jesus had accepted him back, and Peter was filled with the Holy Spirit of God. His mourning had been turned to gladness. This new-found power in God helped him to go downstairs and speak to the crowd. He said some difficult things to them but also explained the way of salvation.

All of us have done things that are wrong. We have lied or been selfish or mean to others, things that are called sin. Because we are born into sin, we are separated from God, we are born into shame and outside of His family, and we are born under the power of darkness and death. But there is good news! Jesus died for us on the cross and lives again! Believing in Jesus breaks the power of that sin in our lives, bringing us back in connection with God, removing all shame and bringing us into His family forever, and setting us free of the power of darkness and bringing us into His light and loving authority.

If you want to accept God's gift through Jesus, there is no specific prayer the Bible tells us we need to say, but anything like this will work. Jesus is anxiously waiting for you.

"Lord Jesus, I want to know You personally. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. I open the door of my life and receive You as my Savior and Lord. Thank You for forgiving me of my sins and giving me eternal life. Take control of the throne of my life. Make me the kind of person You want me to be."

If you just prayed that, there is much rejoicing in heaven!

## **S** MEMORY VERSE

John 3:16 " For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

#### DRAMA (PART 2)

Coming back, the team is excited. They just saw Peter, an uneducated fisherman who had denied Jesus, stand up and speak boldly in front of a huge crowd. Leader encourages Agent and Investigator, telling them that anyone who believes in Jesus gets the Holy Spirit, too, just like the disciples had, and He will help them to speak boldly or to serve the church and God's people in whatever ways they are good at. Investigator has already been good with helping younger children and making new friends from other countries. Agent is building his little

business with wall hangings and he's always curious and tries to figure out how things work. And they both have now seen wonderful things from the life of Jesus. With the help of the Holy Spirit, they can use all these things to tell people about Jesus and invite people to accept Jesus into their lives, too!

#### **S** JUSTICE

God loves you so much that He GAVE His own Son for you that you might have eternal life! Let's show this love to others by giving of ourselves to them.

#### **S** BIOGRAPHY (FISHER)

A fisher is a person who makes their living catching fish and other aquatic animals. They try to catch enough to feed themselves and to sell. It is a profession that has existed since the beginning of humanity.

Responsibilities: Fishermen go out to sea to fish and return with fish and shellfish. Fishing crews are made up of people with different tasks and responsibilities. The job is to handle equipment, navigate, classify the fish, keep them in ice or containers, sometimes filet them (can't filet an octopus very well), and bring them to market.

Opportunities: The Christian fisher has the opportunity to work well with their crew, be honest about where they fish and what they have caught, and be fair about the price they charge for the catch. They do a great service for the community because fish is a main food for many people and is usually very economical and healthy.

#### **©** QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

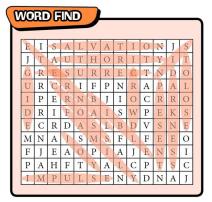
1. Is it more difficult to evangelize in public?

This will depend on the character of each person. To evangelize in public, we must prepare by reading the Bible and preparing topics that are of interest to people. There are people who find it more difficult to speak ton one person personally than speaking to an audience and sharing the Word of God. Over time, we will learn how we best function in evangelism.

2. Why if I regret something I do it again?

We are human and we don't have the strength to turn away from things that hurt us or that offend God. However, God can give us strength in areas where we are weak. We may still do things we regret, but, little by little, God can help us be stronger.

## **D** PUZZLE ANSWERS





Describe three qualities of Jesus that we see in this lesson.

What happens when we sin and Jesus comes into our lives?

Connection with God Takes away shame Happiness like Peter had Salvation

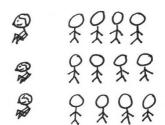
Write down three consequences that sin brings according to the lesson.

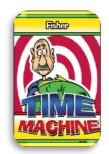
Shame Separation from God Death

### **S** GAME

#### Don't let go of your ankles

The teacher divides the students into three or four lines. When the signal is given, each of the leading players must take each of their ankles with each hand and not let go while walking as fast as possible until they reach the goal and return for the next player. If a player lets go of any of their ankles or falls, they must return to the starting point. The team that finishes first wins.





## **D** HOMEWORK

If you remember lying to someone recently, try to reach out to that person and apologize.