



3. SMALL GROUP Lesson

GREEN WITH ENVY

PROPS NEEDED: Milk in a tall clear glass, green food coloring and a spoon.

LESSON:

- Show the children the glass of milk. What are some things we can add to milk to make it taste different? Chocolate syrup, malted milk powder, or strawberry syrup.
- Add the green food coloring. What color is the milk now?
- All I had to do was add a couple drops of this green food coloring and the milk turned green!
- God does not want us to be jealous; instead He wants us to walk in love. When we walk in love we are happy for our friends when they get blessed.

POINT TO MAKE:

- The green food coloring is like jealousy. Adding just a little bit of the food coloring made the milk turn green just like adding just a little bit of jealousy to your heart will make your heart turn green.
- They say that when you are jealous you are green – because when someone is sick, sometimes they look a little green. When you are jealous your heart becomes sick.

- Being jealous means you want to have what others have and you're not happy with what God has already given you.

PUT INTO PRACTICE:

- Decide that you won't allow jealousy make you green.
- When your friend gets blessed instead of being jealous and wishing you had what they have, tell them you are happy for them.
- Walk in love and next time you'll be the one to be blessed!

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. What does it mean to be jealous?
2. Have you ever been jealous of something your friend has?
3. How can you be happy for others when they are blessed?
4. What should we do instead of being jealous?



Super Church 2.0 Small Group Notes

SMALL GROUP SCHEDULE

1. Pre-Service Activity
2. Bible Time
3. Small Group Lesson
4. Activity Page
5. Dismiss

AGAPE LOVE IS NEVER JEALOUS

MEMORY VERSE:

I Corinthians 13:4, "Love is never envious or boils over with jealousy." **(AMP)**

BOTTOM LINE

Love is never jealous.



1. PRE-SERVICE Activity

- During the Pre-Service Activity, group leaders will direct conversation and games to help kids make friends at church.
- As a group leader you have the choice of Ice Breaker Questions or Game to use as the children arrive.

ICE BREAKER Questions:

Question #83:

- What is your favorite toy or game?

Question #368:

- What is your favorite place to go on vacation?

ICE BREAKER Game: Mixed Up Shoes

- With the children sitting in a circle, have each child put their shoes in the middle of the floor, forming a pile of shoes.
- Mix the shoes up!
- Pick one child to start the game and have him/her close his eyes and pick up a shoe.
- Next have him/her find the matching shoe and then guess who they belong too.
- After he/she finds the correct owner they can give them back. Take turns until everyone has their shoes back!

2. BIBLE Time

READ THE BIBLE:

1st-2nd Grade - Day by Day Bible: This story is **not** in the Day By Day Bible

3rd Grade and up - NIV Bible: 1 Kings 21:1-26

- Have each child read one verse out loud. Go around the room.
- This works best if everyone uses the same, easy-to-read translation of the Bible.

BIBLE STORY: *The Jealous King*

BIBLE CONNECTION:

King Ahab ruled the nation of Israel (God's chosen people). His next door neighbor was Naboth; he worked very hard and had a beautiful, fruitful vineyard. King Ahab asked Naboth if he could buy his vineyard. Naboth refused to sell his vineyard. The King was so mad and he became very jealous of Naboth. King Ahab's wife, Jezebel, saw that her husband was upset so she had some people kill Naboth so her husband could have the vineyard.

BIBLE QUESTIONS:

1. What did King Ahab want from Naboth? (his vineyard)
2. How did King Ahab feel when Naboth said no? Why? (he was mad, he was jealous)
3. What did Queen Jezebel do? (had Naboth killed so the King could have his vineyard)
4. What did Elijah tell the King and Queen? (they would be judged by God)

POINT TO MAKE: *King Ahab was the king and very rich, but because he could not have Naboth's vineyard he became jealous and envious. God sent the prophet Elijah to talk to the King and Queen. God told Elijah to tell them they would be judged for what they had done. Later, they both died.*