



3. SMALL GROUP Lesson

DAILY ROUTINE

PROPS: Hair comb

LESSON:

- What is something most moms say before you leave your house?
- "Have you combed your hair?"
- Why do they ask such a silly question?
- Well, they are trying to remind you to do something and check how you look before you leave the house.

POINT TO MAKE:

- There are all kinds of things we do everyday as a routine - hygienically.
- What are some things that you do before you leave your house?
- (Allow for response.)
- These things are great, but did you know there are things you need to do spiritually to keep your heart healthy?
- One of those things is repentance.

DISCUSS:

- Repentance is changing.
- Many times people think that the only time we need to repent is when we get saved.
- But we really should check our heart and repent on a daily basis.
- It will keep our heart healthy.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. What is repentance? (change)
2. Only people who don't have Jesus in their heart need to repent? (true or false)
3. If I am a Christian do I need to repent? (yes)
4. Why? (it keeps your heart clean)



SMALL GROUP SCHEDULE

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

FINDING GOD REPENTANCE

MEMORY VERSE:

John 3:30, "He must increase, but I must decrease." (KJV)

BOTTOM LINE:

Repentance simply means to change.



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 #143:

- What is your favorite cookie?

Question #813:

- How many cousins do you have?
- Where do they live?

ICE BREAKER Game:

Who Am I?

Props:

- Folded pieces of paper with Bible character names written on them.
- One for each child.

Directions:

- First child picks one of the papers.
- Everyone goes around and tries to guess who it is by asking questions that can be answered with a yes or a no.
EX: Are you a boy? Were you in the Old Testament?
- The person who guesses the correct answer then gets to pick a name.

2. BIBLE Time

READ THE BIBLE:

1st-2nd Grade - Day by Day Bible: A Bright Light (pages 358 & 359)

3rd Grade and up - NIV Bible: Acts 9:1-20

- 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:

A Changed Man

BIBLE CONNECTION:

Saul put people who followed Jesus in jail. He was mean to Christians. One day, a bright light shown down on him from heaven. Saul fell to the ground. When he got up he could not see. For three days he did not eat or drink. God sent a man to pray with Saul. Saul became Paul. He completely changed.

BIBLE QUESTIONS:

1. Was Saul a Christian? (No)
2. What did Saul do? (he put Christians in jail)
3. What happened to Saul? (God met him on the road to Damascus and his life changed)
4. Did Saul change? (he completely changed - even his name)

Point To Make: *Saul repented and completely changed everything that he was doing to serve God.*