



3. SMALL GROUP Lesson

DAILY APPOINTMENT

PROPS: Clock or watch

LESSON:

- There are 24 hours in every day.
- Everyone has the same amount of time.
- There is one thing that will make you successful in life - you can begin now.
- Spend time with God.

POINT TO MAKE:

- No matter who you are, who your parents are, where you live - you can be a success, starting now.
- The one thing you can do is to spend time with God.
- You control what you spend your time on.
- There are things that we NEED to do every day - sleep, eat, comb our hair, brush our teeth, go to school.
- There are things we choose to do - TV, games, friends, activities.
- Ultimately you decide what you do with your time. You can choose to do nothing or something for God.

DISCUSS:

- The one thing that God wants is our time.
- We can spend time with Him by reading the Bible.
- Learn to do your own devotions.
- First thing is have a Bible you can understand - NIV or NLT translation.
- Make a daily appointment with God.
- Pick a time and stick with it.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. What can make you successful? (spending time with God)
2. What are things that you spend your time on? (allow for their response)
3. How can you spend more time with God? (read the Bible)



Small Group Notes

SMALL GROUP SCHEDULE

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

FINDING GOD DEVOTIONS

MEMORY VERSE:

John 1:1, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (KJV)

BOTTOM LINE:

God and His Word are one and the same.



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 #145:

- What is your favorite thing to do - first thing in the morning.

Question #815:

- What is your favorite thing to do - right before bedtime.

ICE BREAKER Game: "I SPY"

- Play a game of "I Spy" with the group.
- Starting by having one of them find something in the room to spy, have him/her say "I spy something (describe the color)".
- The child sitting next to them has to try to guess what it is. If they guess wrong, the next person guesses.
- As soon as someone gets the right answer, it's their turn to be the one that gets to spy.
- Play until everyone gets a turn to spy.

2. BIBLE Time

READ THE BIBLE:

1st-2nd Grade - Day by Day Bible: King Josiah (pages 194-195)

3rd Grade and up - NIV Bible: 2 Kings 22:1-13, 23:1-3, 2 Chronicles 34:33

- 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:

Josiah Finds The Bible

BIBLE CONNECTION:

Josiah was eight years old when he became king. Almost 20 years later, King Josiah sent workers to fix the house of God and they found a book. It was the Bible. When Josiah saw it, he realized that he and the nation had not been following God. So he read the book of the law to the people. As long as Josiah was king they followed God.

BIBLE QUESTIONS:

1. What did the workers find when they were fixing the house of God? (the book of the law of Moses - the Bible)
2. What did Josiah do when they found the Bible? (he realized they needed to follow God and by reading the Bible they could)

Point To Make: *Josiah's workers found the Word of the Lord, and when Josiah realized it he knew they all had to read it. He knew that if they did, they would know God and His ways.*