

Hook Up With A Church

MEMORY VERSE: **Hebrews 10:25,** "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves

together." (NKJV)

BOTTOM LINE: Hook Up With A Church

TO THE TEACHER:

When kids get
hooked up in church
there are two things
that happen:

- They develop
 relationships
 with their peers
 while working
 toward a
 common goal.
- 2. They grow in character.

Hooking up with a church is a vital part of our Christianity. Jesus said that He would build His church and the gates of Hell will not prevail against it. When Paul went on his missionary journeys, he didn't just go preach salvation, he also established churches and pastors to pastor the churches.

Statistics show that 8 out of 10 kids in your children's church will leave the church when they graduate from High School. Those numbers decrease dramatically when kids get involved in church. Statistics also show that only 4 out of 10 will leave if they get involved in serving at church.

When I say, "hook up with a church," I mean get involved in serving others. It is in our kids' best interest to get them involved in serving at our church. The people that get involved at church tend to stay in church.

When kids get hooked up in church, there are two things that happen:

 They develop relationships with their peers while working toward a common goal. When kids are on

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- a drama team or act as an usher ,they are doing the work of the ministry and taking a place in the body of Christ.
- 2. **They grow in character.** The Bible tells us that those that stand in a place of leadership, more is required of them. They may be required to be at church earlier than others and to attend practices. They may have to give up things "all the other" kids are doing, but it develops their character.



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_____ 12. Short Film Application

13. Inter-Active Lesson:

_____ 15. Digital Review Questions

_____ 14. Altar Call

_____ 16. Small Groups

LARGE GROUP SCHEDULE Today's Date: Lead Teacher: **WHO LESSON OUTLINE WHAT** _____ 1. Participation Awards 2. Praise & Worship 3. Announcements _____ 4. Offering ______ 5. Motion Comic: Adventures of the Masked Hero #11 ___ 6. Motion Comic Follow-up _____ 7. Bottom Line: Hook Up With A Church _____ 8. Memory Verse: Hebrews 10:25, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together." (NKJV) Detective Drake: "Finding The Right Place" 9. Drama: _____ 10. Object Lesson: Assembling Together 11. Short Film: "Last Man Standing"

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Tug-Of-War

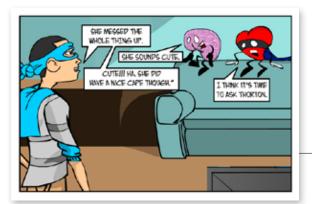


MOTION COMIC

The Adventures of the Masked Hero Episode #11

TO THE TEACHER:

- Wow! It looks like the Masked Hero is going to team up with Cape Girl.
- Johnny and Cape Girl were not getting along. How come?
- What did they decide to do in the end?
- Today, let's talk more about finding our place and what that really means.



Panel 1



Panel 2



Panel 3



Panel 4

LESSON 11

DRAMA Detective Drake: "Finding The Right Place"

TAKE HOME POINT: Get involved at church

CHARACTERS: Detective Drake

WHAT YOU NEED: Chair

Light

DRAMA SCRIPT:

(Detective Drake (DD) enters the room with his chair and light.)

DD: Okay. I'm back, and I don't want any trouble.

Teacher: Hello Detective. We don't want any trouble either.

DD: Well good, we won't be having any trouble then, will we?

Teacher: Nope, no trouble.

DD: Last time I was here you got me convinced about God. Yes I will admit, I'm

pretty sure you were telling the truth that there is a God.

Teacher: Wow. That's great.

DD: Yah, yah. Then I start hearing all this other stuff and I start wondering if this is

some kind of a cult.

Teacher: Ha ha. We're not a cult.

DD: Giving people good advice and something to believe in, is one thing; however,

when you start making people do a bunch of work for you, it starts to sound

like a cult.

Teacher: No, you got it all wrong.

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Detective Drake: "Finding The Right Place" Drama Script — Continued

DD: Don't tell me what I got!

(Drake gets right in his face.)

DD: Start talking, fella. What kind of game are you playing?

Teacher: I'm not playing any games. You misunderstand.

DD: Well why don't you make me understand.

Teacher: You see, we ask people to get involved not just for us, but for their own good.

DD: That sound's awful "culty" to me.

Teacher: If people don't get involved, then they aren't getting the point.

DD: Maybe that's what you should do. Get to the point!

Teacher: When you get involved and do something in the church, it gives you the

opportunity to meet people, and make friends.

DD: I got friends, lots of them.

Teacher: But are they the right kind of friends? At church you make friends that believe

the same things you do.

DD: Fair enough, but that doesn't explain the work part.

Teacher: When you spend time working towards the same goals, it gives you a chance

to get to know one another.

DD: That makes sense.

Teacher: And the church gets the help it needs to operate.

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Detective Drake: "Finding The Right Place" Drama Script — Continued

DD: Okay makes sense.

Teacher: I'm glad you understand.

DD: Well where should I start?

Teacher: Huh?

DD: You got me believing this stuff, so where do I start?

Teacher: Okay. What are you good at?

DD: Getting answers. Finding crooks. And a bunch of other stuff I can't say in front

of the kids.

Teacher: Well when the Bible says assembling together, it means finding the place you

can help that best suits you.

DD: Where's that?

Teacher: Do you have any other stuff, you know how to do?

DD: My desk is really neat.

Teacher: Okay, how about this? You can organize the puppets.

DD: PUPPETS?

Teacher: You have to start somewhere.

DD: Aren't there some crooks or something I could catch?

Teacher: We don't really have any crooks around here.

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Detective Drake: "Finding The Right Place" Drama Script — Continued

DD: But the puppets? I mean, come on.

Teacher: It won't be that bad.

DD: Alright fine, but then I'm going to do a full patrol of the exterior.

Teacher: Fine.

THE END



OBJECT LESSON Assembling Together

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Hebrews 10:25, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves

together." (KJV)

TAKE HOME POINT: Get involved in ministry at your church

WHAT YOU NEED: • 2 (balsam wood) model airplanes (find at a hobby shop)

PREPARATION: • Assemble one of the airplanes.

• Open up the second airplane but do not assemble it.

OBJECT LESSON APPLICATION:

(Hold up airplanes.)

I have two model airplanes. This one is "assembled" and this one is "not assembled."

(Put the "unassembled" one on a chair.)

Now this airplane is sitting on a chair in church, but it is not assembled. If I try to fly this airplane it is not going to go very far.

(Pick up the "unassembled" airplane and try to fly the plane by throwing the pieces.)

Scan to see video demonstration.



When I throw this other plane, it will go somewhere.

(Throw the "assembled" plane, then pick up both planes.)

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Assembling Together Object Lesson — Continued

What is the difference between these two planes? One is assembled. All of the pieces are doing something. This one is "not assembled." The pieces are not working together to make the plane work.

When the Bible tells us to "not forsake our assembling together," it does not mean to go to church and sit in chairs. God wants you to do something. He wants you to get involved in serving others.

Yes, go to church, but don't just sit there. Do something. Get involved in ministry.



SHORT FILM APPLICATION:

"Last Man Standing"

Ethan thought he was so good at Dodge Ball that he could beat everybody by himself.

Have you ever met anyone like that? They thought they were so good that they didn't need anyone else? Does God want us to be the superstar? No, He wants us to be team players.

This is why everyone needs to be part of a church. There is no such thing as a perfect church, but we accomplish more when we work together.

God has something for everyone to do.

There are no unused players on God's team.

The way that you join one of God's teams is to hook up with a church. Don't just sit on a chair, but do something.

Think about what you are good at and use your gifts for the local church.

THE CORE: HOOK UP WITH A CHURCH

LESSON 11

INTER-ACTIVE LESSON Tug-Of-War

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Proverbs 27:17, "As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.."

(NLT)

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN: Serving one another makes you stronger

WHAT YOU NEED: • 1 large rope for Tug-Of-War

Masking tape

CONTESTANTS: • 8-20

PREP WORK: • Tape down center line with masking tape

INSTRUCTIONS:

• 1-3 adult workers against kids

- Start out with all adult workers and 1 kid
- Then keep adding a couple of kids at a time
- Eventually the numbers of kids overpower the adults Goal: At the end it is clear that many kids working together can overpower the adults, even

though the adults are bigger.

SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:

It was quite interesting to watch. When it was only 1 adult and 1 kid, the adult could win hands down. But as we kept adding, and the kids grew in number they also grew stronger. This reminds me of what can happen when you get hooked up at church. You begin to develop friendships with people that believe like you do. When that happens, you become strengthened and you actually grow more. The Bible tells us that "As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend." When you hang with people and work with people that believe like you, you make each other sharp. You push each other higher and if you start to go the other way, they can sway you back. You can become stronger when you connect with other Christian kids at church.



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DIGITAL REVIEW QUESTIONS

NEEDED: Review Prizes (penny candy for right answers)

TO THE	ΓEACHER:
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The **Digital Review Questions** are a part
of "The Masked Hero"
download.

Once you get to the Memory Verse, then PAUSE the video.

After you have done your teaching then **PLAY** the Digital Review Ouestions.

You can turn this into a **Review Game** by rewarding kids for correct answers.

- 1. "Hooking up with a church" means? a. Time to go fishing
 - b. Serve at church
 - c. Basketball and church
 - d. Go to church
- Serving at church is for ____a. the pizza man
 - b. grown ups, kids are too little
 - c. everyone
 - d. the Pastor
- When kids get hooked up at church, they develop _____.a. great abs
 - b. craft skills
 - c. relationships with their friends
 - d. nothing
- 4. When kids get hooked up at church, they grow _____.
 - a. fruits and vegetables
 - b. longer hair (like Samson)
 - c. taller

d. in character

- 5. The Bible says that for those who stand in leadership, more is _____.
 - a. required
 - b. less
 - c. good
 - d. not enough



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PROP LIST Teaching Date:_____

Participation Awards (Large candy bars or prizes)
How many needed?
Review Prizes (penny candy)
Detective Drake: "Finding The Right Place" — Pages 5-8
Characters
Detective Drake
Props
Chair
Light
Object Lesson: Assembling Together — Pages 9-10
2 (balsam wood) model airplanes (find at a hobby shop)
Inter-Active Lesson: Tug-Of-War — Page 12
1 large rope for Tug-Of-War
Masking tape
8-20 contestants
Small Groups: Hook Up With A Church
A mini-football
How many needed?
Activity page Small Group Notes
How many needed?How many needed?
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Special Edition: Pastoring Your Kids How many needed?