

THE CHURCH OF PENTECOST CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

REVISED SYLLABUS

AGE: UP TO 6 YEARS

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FOREWORD

Most Christian children do not have a firm grasp of basic Christian doctrines that can guarantee their growth in the Lord and their preparedness for the second coming of Christ. The reason is that they are fed with a simple fare of Bible stories but are not taught what the great truths of the Bible mean for them personally.

This syllabus, systematically, seeks to make practical, informative and inspiring presentations of Biblical truths that will help evangelise children and ensure their growth in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The writers, who are sensitive to the needs of children, have interestingly and accurately communicated great truths in a style that will strike a responsive chord in both the teachers and children who would benefit from its contents.

Parents and children's workers will find the book of inestimable value to their efforts at winning their children for the Lord and rightly dividing the Word of truth.

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It is the prayer and hope of the Committee and the entire Children's Directorate that this reviewed and serialized Syllabus will go a long way towards training our children to become balanced Christians and leaders for the church in the near future.

Children's Ministry Syllabus Committee

INTRODUCTION

As I grew up in the Lord in the early 70's, I happened to be under the spiritual leadership of Pastor David Lawrence (of blessed memory) and Mrs. Margaret Mills, who were then pastoring The Church of Pentecost, Kwadaso District - Kumasi. This couple nurtured me in the Children's Ministry. They always guided me by giving notes of well prepared Biblical teachings on the spiritual growth of children. When asked why I couldn't just pick a scripture verse and preach as I have been doing to adults, the answer was; "handling children in terms of their spiritual growth is different from that of adults. A child is like a plant that has to be nurtured carefully as it grows".

Our approach to children and our understanding of them therefore should be guided by, and based upon, the clear teaching of the Word of God. This must be done in a more systematic way. People's views, opinions and theories have their place, but are subservient to the scriptures. You must measure what you think and say, and what others think and say about children, against what God has said. Education, philosophy and psychology are all very important in their own place, but the Bible must hold first place.

Therefore, this revised syllabus is structured in such a way that before handling, you are introduced to how to teach a memory verse, how to teach a song to children, etc. all in a more serialized way. It also put you into a situation where you become a "child friendly leader" than a bossy-type leader.

The syllabus gives you the first hand understanding of the message to be presented, so that children will have the HEAD knowledge, HEART knowledge and the HAND's to do God's will. Remember, we are dealing with the eternal welfare of precious boys and girls who will grow up to become responsible men and women in society and in leadership, so there is no room for speculation or theorizing. Jesus Christ stated these seven (7) words when He was twelve (12) years old in Luke 2:49^b: "I must be about my Father's business".

It has also been structured in such a way that it meets children of all age groups up to the teens. For example; children up to six (6) years will know the creation story, effects of sin, fellowship with others, respect for parents, trusting God, etc. Children from seven (7) years will know why Jesus Christ was born, died and buried, resurrected and taken up to heaven and will come back the second time. Children from ten (10) years will understand water baptism, trials and temptations in Christian life, baptism of the Holy Spirit and empowerment, Christian service to God and mankind, holy living and growth, etc. It is therefore prudent, to get all the three (3) sets in a class to teach them before they graduate to the Youth Ministry.

In II Tim. 3:14-15 (NIV), Apostle Paul admonished young Timothy that: "But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus".

GUIDELINES FOR THE USE OF THE SYLLABUS

I. PRAYER

- a) Pray and ask for God's WISDOM and LEADING to become a useful instrument in His hand. Depend on the HOLY SPIRIT for DIRECTION.
- b) Pray that the lives of the children will change for the better.
- c) Pray for a smooth and successful lesson preparation and delivery.

II. THEORY OF BIBLE LESSON - (3 H's)

- a) The child must hear and understand the lesson with absolute clarity **Head** knowledge.
- b) The child must accept the message into his heart for a changed life (i.e.to experience and build their faith in God) **Heart** knowledge.
- More importantly, the message must be obeyed

 this is the action part which involves the use of
 the hands (i.e. witnessing, putting the word into
 practice) Hand knowledge.

III. PRESENTATION OF THE BIBLE LESSON

a. **Introduction** – Introduce the Bible Lesson with Role Play, Questioning, Illustration, etc as the main tools to alert and capture the attention of the child.

- b. **The Story** (**List of Events**) It should be told logically and vividly to the understanding of the child.
- c. Central Truth This is the main truth of the story that must be applied to the heart of the saved and the unsaved child.
- **d. Application** Apply the lesson to the real life situation of the child. Bear in mind the world of the child. Use actual examples in the process.
- e. Invitation Here concentrate on the unsaved child appealing to him/her to receive Christ into his or her heart.
- **f. Review** Ask questions from the lesson in order to receive feedback from the children. Their response shows the level of their understanding of
 - (i) The Story
 - (ii) Central Truth
 - (iii) Application.
- **g.** Challenge The saved child is encouraged to practise what the lesson (Central Truth) teaches.
- **h. Prayer** End the whole lesson with prayer.

EXAMPLE OF HOW TO TEACH A BIBLE LESSON

TEXT: Acts 3: 1 - 10

MAIN TRUTH: There is power in the name of Jesus

INTRODUCTION

Mention some of the sicknesses we have on earth. (Children will give all sorts of answers). Are some people born like that? The Bible has a story which we will look at today.....

LIST OF EVENTS (tell the story as it is)

- 1. **Peter and John went to pray:** It was actually the hour of prayer at 3:00 p.m. and two of the disciples of Jesus, Peter and John went to the temple to pray.
- 2. **A lame man sat begging at the temple:** He was over 40 years old (4:22) but was born lame and had never walked. Everyday someone carried him to the gate. Because giving to a beggar was considered a kind act that would gain favour with God, the temple was a good location for begging.
- 3. **The lame man asked for money**: Peter and John did not have money but replied... "look at us....., in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk". There is power in the name of Jesus.
- 4. **The lame man walked:** The power in the name of Jesus healed the lame man. Peter helped him by the hand; the man jumped up and began to walk. He was able to walk immediately even though he

had never learned to walk. A miracle had taken place because Peter mentioned the name of Jesus. There is power in the name of Jesus!

You must continue to pray always in the name of Jesus. Those of you who do not know how to pray must give your lives to Jesus today. The Bible says that at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow. There is real power in the name of Jesus. Always pray and let this power work in your life.

- 5. **He was leaping and praising God:** You must give praise to God when a miracle takes place because it is the power in the name of Jesus that brings the miracle and not man.
- 6. **The people wondered:** Those who saw that it was the man who begged at the temple who had been healed wondered. This is the power in the name of Jesus.

NB: In telling the story you do the application, challenge and invitation at the same time. Don't wait till the end of the story. The main truth must be very clear.

EXAMPLE OF HOW TO TEACHA MEMORY VERSE

MEMORY VERSE

Luke 5:24..."you may know that the son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins......"

INTRODUCTION

If I told you I would pick up a rock and make it turn into bread, would you believe. Do I have the power or authority to do it? Of course not, but there is someone who does have the authority to do absolutely anything, and that is Jesus, the Son of God. Let us find out about something more special that He has the power to do.

READ: Read Luke 5:24 from the Bible to the hearing of the children. Read Luke 5:24

EXPLANATION

"You may know" – you can absolutely be sure "that the Son of Man....." in the Bible, Jesus Christ – the Son of God is sometimes called the Son of Man. "Has authority on earth to forgive sins" – Jesus is able to forgive sins because He took the punishment for sin by dying on the cross, and rose again on the third day. Sin is the bad things you do or even say or think that break God's laws.

APPLICATION

Invitation to the Unsaved: If you have not trusted Jesus to forgive your sins, you can do it today. Jesus has the authority

to forgive you if only you will ask Him. I will pray with you to accept Jesus and to trust Him.

Challenge (Saved)

If you already trust Jesus to forgive your sins, remember he has authority, not only to forgive your sins but also those of your friends. You can tell them how God can meet their need for forgiveness when they trust in the Lord Jesus as Saviour.

DRILL: Let children recite the verse by using various activities like..... 'jump and recite'; 'all those in red shirts recite', 'about-turn and recite', etc. This will get the message across easily.

REVIEW: Ask them questions from the memory verse you have taught.

Eg. What is the meaning of authority?

Who can forgive sins and why?

Who can recite the verse alone?

NB: In your teaching always remember to use the

"I READ R" components.

EXAMPLE OF HOW TO TEACH A SONG

SONG: "Why worry, when you can pray. Trust in Jesus and He will lead the way, Don't be like doubting Thomas, But resting on His promise, Why worry, worry, worry, when you can pray".

INTRODUCTION

Mensah sat near the gate of their house so confused. He had been wondering when his parents would pay his school fees. He had been sacked from school for unpaid school fees. What could he do? Worry, worry, worry. But could that solve the problem?

READING: Go through the words of the song with the Children. Pronounce each word properly. Sing through the song once.

EXPLANATION

- (i) Worry: Confused and disturbed
- (ii) **Trust in Jesus:** Know that Jesus can bring the needed change and guidance.
- (iii) **Doubting Thomas:** Thomas, one of the disciples of Jesus, did not believe when Jesus visited the disciples after his resurrection. You don't have to see before you believe. Know that Jesus will help pay your fees through your parents.
- (iv) **Resting on His Promise**: You must know that Jesus has said; that "I will never leave you nor forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5b). Take Jesus by His word and He will do it (Phil. 4:19).

APPLICATION

You can always pray by trusting the Lord Jesus Christ instead of sitting down quietly and getting confused – Philippians 4:6. Do not be anxious when you are confronted with problems in life, just pray. If you do not know how to pray, accept Jesus Christ the Lord as your personal friend today. You can always talk to Him as your friend in prayer.

DRILL: Teach the song well at this stage. Children will follow you as you sing till they can now sing freely. Let them take turns in singing. E.g.: girls, boys, those in red, white dresses, etc.

REVIEW: Ask questions from the song to make sure children have understood the song well.

TEACHING OF MEMORY VERSE OR SONG

Employ the following principle in the teaching of memory verse or song:

'I READ R'

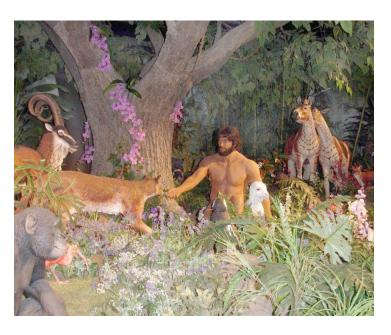
- a) I-Introduction Introduce the memory verse or song in an interesting way.
- **R**-Reading i) Read the passage to the children fluently ii) Let some of the children also read
- c) E-Explanation Explain the relevant words, phrases and concepts well to the children.
- **d)** A-Application Apply the lessons to real life situations
- e) **D-** Drill Practice with different methods until children are able to recite or sing the piece very well.
- f) R-Review Check the understanding of children in the following areas-Explanation (E), Application (A) and Drill (D). Give assignment based on what has been taught.

CONCLUSION

- 1. Children's Ministry teachers should start preparing for the Bible Lesson, Song and Memory Verse long before the day of delivery.
- 2. The Bible lesson must be approached systematically so that the child could fully grasp the basic Christian doctrine.
- 3. We believe that this syllabus would be used to bring children to the saving knowledge of Christ and help them to grow from grace to grace- (Luke 2:52).

CHAPTER ONE

CREATION



LESSON 1: GOD CREATED HEAVEN AND

EARTH

Scripture: Genesis 1:1-10

Aim: To help the child know that God

created everything and that he should appreciate God's creation

Memory Verse: Psalm 104:24

Suggested Song: Who made the birds to fly

INTRODUCTION

Somebody invented the aeroplane, motor, car, bicycle, etc.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. In the beginning God created heaven and earth
- 2. Light shone in the darkness
- 3. Separation of the waters
- 4. Land and Sea named

APPLICATION

Just as creation obeyed God, so should you obey the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. You must follow God's direction
- b. You must take good care of God's creation
- c. You must keep the environment clean
- d. You must take care of yourself as God's creation

INVITATION

You can respect God and take good care of His creation, if only you accept Christ as your friend.

CHALLENGE

Respect God's creation.

LESSON 2: GOD CREATED THE PLANTS

AND HEAVENLY BODIES

Scripture: Genesis 1:11-19

Aim: To help the child to worship God,

the Creator

Memory Verse: Psalm 24:1

Suggested Song: *My God is so big, so strong and*

so mighty

INTRODUCTION

Why is it that sometimes the weather is cold and other times hot? (Accept other possible answers). God made them so. I will show you how. (Let children come out to observe God's creation)

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. God created the vegetables, seed-bearing plants and trees.
- 2. God created the sun and the moon to govern the seasons.
- 3. God created the stars
- 4. God set them in the sky

APPLICATION

God is seen in His creation so you must also see Him in His Creation and worship Him.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You must worship God wherever you find yourself, e.g. at home, school, church, etc.

INVITATION

Let Jesus be your friend so that you can worship God very well

CHALLENGE

You must worship God the Creator.

LESSON 3: GOD CREATED THE LIVING

CREATURES

Scripture: Genesis 1: 20-25

Aim: To help the child know that God

created the living creatures too. Be

kind to them.

Memory Verse: Psalm 95:5

Suggested Song: Onyame a bb Soro, Asaase,

ne ade nyinaa, momma

yε nkotow no.

INTRODUCTION

Let the children name some creatures that fly, some creatures that creep on the land and those that live in water. Today, we will learn about these creatures.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. God created the living things in the waters
- 2. God created the living things, which fly in the sky
- 3. God blessed the living things to be fruitful and increase
- 4 God created the animals on the land

APPLICATION

The living things were created by God. Appreciate and take good care of them.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Take care of domestic animals, e.g. dogs, cats, etc and don't pelt them with stones for they are God's creation.

INVITATION

Accept Jesus into your life.

CHALLENGE

Always be kind to God's creation, e.g. birds, goats, dogs, cats, etc.

LESSON 4: GOD CREATED MAN AND

WOMAN

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-31; 2: 4-25

Aim: To let the child know that God

created human beings

Memory Verse: Isaiah 45:12

Suggested Song: Yi n'aye əno na əbəə wo, yi

n'ayε daa nyinaa....

INTRODUCTION

Let the children draw a man and a woman.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. God created man out of the dust of the earth.
- 2. God made woman out of man's ribs.
- 3. God blessed the man and woman to multiply and subdue the land.

APPLICATION

You must take good care of yourself and respect everyone.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Practise personal hygiene and treat all your mates and others well

INVITATION

You could keep yourself clean, but your heart may be dirty; it is only Christ who can keep it clean. Accept Him now (2 Corinthians 5:17.)

CHALLENGE

Trust Jesus to give you strength to lead a healthy and clean life (Philippians 4:13).

LESSON 5: GOD RESTED AFTER

CREATION

Scripture: Genesis 2:1-13

Aim: That the children may know the

importance of rest

Memory Verse: Genesis 2:2b

Suggested Song: Any suitable song

INTRODUCTION

Why do some children sleep in class or at Church services?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. God completed all the work of creation on the sixth day.
- 2. God rested on the seventh day from all His work.
- 3. God blessed the seventh day and made it holy.

APPLICATION

God rested from all His work on the seventh day. You must learn to rest at the right time.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a) You must learn to sleep at the right time.
- b) You must control the time used in watching TV, video, playing, and time spent on the internet etc.
- c) Discuss the consequences of lack of rest.

INVITATION

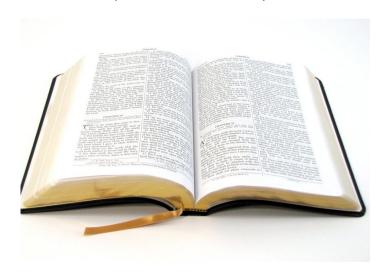
You cannot obey God's command to rest unless you have Jesus in your heart; why not accept Him now? (Matt. 11:28).

CHALLENGE

Learn the habit of having regular rest. Do not overuse your body. (Jeremiah 31:25).

CHAPTER TWO

THE BIBLE (The Word of God)



LESSON 6: THE WORD OF GOD AS GIVEN

ON MOUNT SINAI

Scripture: Exodus 19:1-25; 20: 1-17

Aim: That the child will receive God's

Word and obey it

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:89

Suggested Song: I have a precious book

INTRODUCTION

Sing a song with Action -

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Moses led Israel to Sinai Desert.
- 2. Moses went up to God on Mount Sinai.
- Moses brought back instructions of God from the Mountain.
- 4. God descended among His people.
- 5. God gave the Israelites the Ten Commandments.

APPLICATION

Take time to receive God's Word and obey it.

[&]quot;What a Wonderful treasure, gift of God without measure"

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Receive God's Word at children's service and obey it.
- b. Receive God's Word at school and obey it.
- c. Receive God's Word at home (family devotion) and obey it.

INVITATION

ou can only receive and obey God's Word when you accept Jesus into your heart.

CHALLENGE

Receive and obey God's Word and let it guide you in your daily life.

LESSON 7: GOD'S WORD AS EZRA READ

TO THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL

Scripture: Nehemiah 8:1-12

Aim: That the child will see the need to

study, obey and teach God's Word.

Memory Verse: Ezra 7:10

Suggested Song: I am so glad that our Father in

Heaven.

INTRODUCTION

Song - *The best book to read is the Bible*.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. The people of Israel gathered at the water gate.
- 2. Ezra the Priest brought the Book of the Law.
- 3. Ezra read the Book of the Law.
- 4. Nehemiah asked them to rejoice and feast.

APPLICATION

Ezra studied and taught the people of Israel God's Word. God expects you to also study and teach others His Word.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You must be ready to observe and teach God's Word.

INVITATION

Before you can observe God's Word and teach it, you need to receive Jesus Christ into your heart.

CHALLENGE

You must study and teach God's Word at every given opportunity.

LESSON 8: KING JOSIAH'S ATTITUDE TO

GOD'S LAW AND COMMANDMENT

Scripture: 2 Kings 22:1-20

Aim: That the child will give reverence to

the Word of God

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:11

Suggested Song: The B-I-B-L-E

INTRODUCTION

I am the bible. How many parts do I have? How many books do I have?

- 1. The reign of King Josiah
- 2. King Josiah asked that the temple be repaired
- 3. The discovery of the Law of God
- 4. King Josiah's positive reaction
 - (a) He tore his robe
 - (b) He enquired of the Lord
- 5. God promised not to punish him

King Josiah respected the Word of God. You must learn from him.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You need to revere God's Word by using it to correct the mistakes you have committed.

INVITATION

You can never obey God's Word if you do not have Jesus in your heart; come to Him and He will accept you.

CHALLENGE

You must walk daily in God's Word now that you are His child.

LESSON 9: THE WORD OF GOD

CHANGES LIVES (The Ethiopian Eunuch)

Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

Aim: For the child to know that the Word

of God changes lives for the better

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Suggested Song: W'asem ye me de

INTRODUCTION

Action of someone being baptized in water by immersion.

- 1. God's Spirit sent Philip to the desert to meet the Ethiopian Eunuch.
- 2. The Eunuch read God's word while Philip explained it to him.
- 3. The Ethiopian Eunuch believed God's Word and was baptized.
- 4. Philip disappeared as the Eunuch continued rejoicing.

The Ethiopian Eunuch believed God's Word and his life changed. You will experience a change in your life if you believe in God's Word.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Allow God's Word to change your speech, conduct and thought.

INVITATION

You cannot be changed from your sinful way of life unless you believe and accept the Lord Jesus Christ.

CHALLENGE

Your continuous daily walk in the Word of God should change your life completely (1Timothy 4:2).

LESSON 10: A LAME MAN HEALED

Scripture: Acts 3:1-10

Aim: To help the child know that there is

power in the name of Jesus

Memory Verse: Psalm 103:3

Suggested Song: Silver and gold, have I none

INTRODUCTION

Ask the children to tell you who a lame person is. How does a lame person walk?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Peter and John went to the temple at three 0'clock in the afternoon.
- 2. There was a cripple at the temple gate asking for alms.
- 3. The cripple asked Peter and John for money.
- 4. Peter and John healed the cripple in Jesus' name.
- 5. The cripple praised God to the amazement of all.

APPLICATION

Peter and John used the power in the name of Jesus to heal the lame man. Believe in the name of Jesus for miracles to take place in your life.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You must believe that there is power in the name of Jesus for your healing, success in examination, your daily needs, etc.

INVITATION

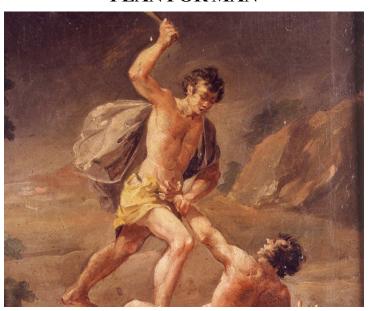
In order to be saved from sin, believe in the name of Jesus Christ.

CHALLENGE

Continue to use the name of Jesus Christ in whatever you do.

CHAPTER THREE

EFFECTS OF SIN ON GOD'S PLAN FOR MAN



LESSON 11: ADAM AND EVE

Scripture: Genesis 3:1-24

Aim: To let the child know that sin

displeases God

Memory Verse: Romans 3:23

Suggested Song: Menim se Awurade bebue

kwan bi, ama me

INTRODUCTION

Supposing your parents give you something very beautiful like a bicycle to take care of, how will you keep it? In accordance with their instructions?

- 1. God's command to man.
- 2. Adam and Eve disobeyed God.
- 3. God cursed the serpent and the ground and punished Adam and Eve.
- 4. Adam and Eve were driven out of the garden.
- 5. God clothed Adam and Eve.

Adam and Eve displeased God by sinning. You should not sin willfully and incur God's displeasure.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You displease God if you do not obey your teachers, parents and the elderly.

INVITATION

Believing in God and His Son Jesus Christ is the first step to obeying God's command. Invite Jesus Christ into your life today to receive the power to obey Him.

CHALLENGE

Ask God for strength so that you do not displease Him.

LESSON 12: CAIN AND ABEL

Scripture: Genesis 4:1-16

Aim: That the child will know that sin

causes unhappiness

Memory Verse: Genesis 4:7

Suggested Songs: *He sees all you do;

*Nyame wo ha, Nyame wo

fie

INTRODUCTION

After Kwame had stolen Kofi's toy car, he felt unhappy each time he met Kofi. Have you had any such experience before?

- 1. Adam and Eve gave birth to Cain and Abel.
- 2. Abel was a shepherd and Cain a hunter.
- 3. They both offered sacrifice to God.
- 4. God accepted Abel's sacrifice and rejected Cain's.
- God warned Cain.
- 6. Cain became angry and killed his brother.

7. God punished Cain.

APPLICATION

Cain's sin led to his unhappiness. God does not want you to commit or be involved in any sinful act.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Stealing, lying, and fighting bring unhappiness.

INVITATION

Sin always causes unhappiness. God has provided a way of forgiveness by giving his Son to you. Accept Jesus today and you will be saved. Acts 4:12; John 3:16

CHALLENGE

You should do your best to keep away from any form of sin.

LESSON 13: THE SONS OF ELI

(Disobedient Children)

Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:12, 4:1-18

Aim: To teach the child to know that God

punishes disobedient children

Memory Verse: Ephesians 6:1

Suggested Song: I have decided to follow Jesus

INTRODUCTION

How do children of Christian parents behave? Why?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Eli was a priest who served God in Shiloh.
- 2. The behaviour of the two sons of Eli.
- 3. Samuel served in the temple.
- 4. God revealed His plans to Samuel.
- 5. The death of the children of Eli.

APPLICATION

Eli's children misbehaved and lost their lives. God wants you to be sober and do the right thing.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Give all your offering when you go to Church.
- b. Listen attentively to your parents when they talk to you.

INVITATION

Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour by inviting him into your life and He will help you to do right thing. (John 5:24).

CHALLENGE: Take time to listen to God and be sober.

LESSON 14: ELISHA AND THE CHILDREN

FROM BETHEL

Scripture: 2 Kings 2:23-25

Aim: That the child will learn not to make

fun of people who are physically-

challenged

Suggested Song: *I will live for Jesus, day after day*

Memory Verse: Psalm 1:1

INTRODUCTION

Some children mocked at a mad man in my village. He chased them and some of them fell and got injured.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Elisha went to Bethel.
- 2. Some children made fun of him.
- 3. He turned, looked at them and cursed them.
- 4. They were torn into pieces by two bears.

APPLICATION

Some children made fun of Elisha and died; God does not want you to make fun of the physically-challenged.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You should not make fun of the crippled, the blind and the aged.

INVITATION

Accept Jesus today and your life will be different from those disobedient children.

CHALLENGE

Continue to show respect to all manner of people. Jesus is always ready to help you. Hebrews 13:6

LESSON 15: GEHAZI'S GREED AND

SUBSEQUENT PUNISHMENT

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-27

Aim: To teach the child not to covet

Memory Verse: Luke 12:15

Suggested Song: And his name was Naaman

INTRODUCTION

Ask the children to talk about the characteristics of a covetous person

- 1. Naaman an army commander was healed.
- 2. Elisha refused any gift from Naaman.
- 3. Gehazi followed Naaman for the gift.
- 4. Elisha confronted Gehazi.
- 5. Gehazi lied to Elisha.
- 6. Gehazi was cursed and he received the leprosy of Naaman.

Statement of truth

Gehazi coveted and had leprosy. God does not want you to crave for evil things.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Don't crave for things that belong to your friend. Don't crave for your friends' talents.

INVITATION

You can pray today for Jesus to take away all forms of covetousness from your life after you have accepted Christ into your life. (2 Corinthians 5:17).

CHALLENGE

Be content with what you have and don't crave for things belonging to others.

LESSON 16: ANANIAS AND SAPPHIRA

Scripture: Acts 4:32-36, Acts 5: 1-10

Aim: To teach the child not to tell lies

Memory Verse: Colossians 3:9

Suggested Song: Yesu yɛ makoma mu kanea,

kanea

INTRODUCTION

A child was given a coin for offering at Sunday school, but he refused to do it. When his teacher asked him, he lied.

- 1. The believers shared everything in common.
- 2. Ananias and Sapphira also sold a piece of property.
- 3. Ananias agreed with the wife to keep part of the money.
- 4. Peter condemned Ananias' sin and he died.
- 5. Sapphira was confronted. She told a lie and she also died.
- 6. Fear gripped the whole Church.

Ananias and Sapphira told a lie and they died. Learn to tell the truth at all times.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Be honest and tell the truth at school, at home, play, etc.

INVITATION

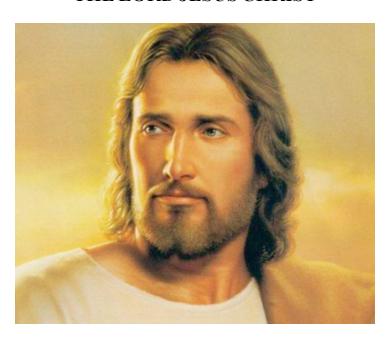
You cannot be truthful if you do not give your life fully to Jesus. He loves you and He would like to save you from sin. (Acts 4:12; Hebrews 9:22). Accept and receive Him today and you will never be the same.

CHALLENGE

Cultivate the habit of telling the truth at all times.

CHAPTER FOUR

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST



LESSON 17: THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST

Scripture: Matthew 1:18-25

Aim: That the child will know that God

has made provision for his sin

Memory Verse: Matthew 1:21

Suggested Song: *Joy to the world the Lord is come*

INTRODUCTION

Tell the story of someone who gave birth near your house.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Joseph engaged Mary in marriage.
- 2. Mary was conceived by the Holy Spirit.
- 3. Joseph was visited by Angels in a dream.
- 4. Joseph took Mary home as a wife.
- 5. The baby Jesus was born.

APPLICATION

You should recognize that God has made provision for your soul. Therefore, make sure you serve Him well.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Tell others about God's provision – your mates at school, home, playground, etc.

INVITATION

Accept the provision God has made through Jesus Christ by receiving Him as your Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Walk in the newness of life God has provided you through His Son, Jesus Christ. **LESSON 18:** HEALING OF A CANAANITE

WOMAN'S DAUGHTER

Scripture: Mathew 15:21-28

Aim: That the child would know that Jesus

answers those who exercise faith in

Him

Suggested Song: He is a miracle working God

Memory Verse: Hebrews 11:6

INTRODUCTION

Define faith with examples (Heb. 11:1)

- 1. Jesus travelled to Tyre and Sidon.
- 2. The Canaanite woman saw Him and cried for help.
- 3. The disciples drew Jesus' attention.
- 4. Jesus ignored the woman.
- 5. The woman showed great faith.
- 6. Jesus healed her daughter.

The Canaanite woman exercised her faith and had her child healed. You should also do likewise.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Exercise faith in Jesus' name and in the promises of God in your daily life.

INVITATION

It is by faith that you are saved, so accept Jesus now into your heart. (Ephesians 2:8-9.)

CHALLENGE

Without faith it is impossible to please God, so exercise your faith daily.

LESSON 19: THE UNMERCIFUL SERVANT

Scripture: Matthew 18: 21-35

Aim: That the child will learn the act of

forgiveness

Memory Verse: Ephesians 4:32

Suggested Song: Ode yen bone akye yen

INTRODUCTION

Who owes someone here? How does it feel to owe? How does it feel after paying what you owe?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Peter questioned Jesus about forgiveness.
- 2. Jesus told a parable of a king and his servant.
- 3. The forgiven servant could not forgive his friend who owed him.
- 4. The King was informed and he imprisoned the unmerciful servant.

APPLICATION

Never forget to forgive others since Jesus died and forgave you your sins.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Endeavour to forgive your friends, brothers and sisters.

INVITATION

Accept Jesus as your Saviour and He will forgive you your sin. You will always be able to forgive others.

CHALLENGE

Learn to forgive others as Jesus has forgiven you.

LESSON 20: THE CALMING OF THE

STORM

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41

Aim: That the child will learn to bring his

problems to Jesus

Memory Verse: John 14: 27

Suggested Song: Okasa ma mframa

INTRODUCTION

SONG – With Jesus in the boat, I can smile at the storm

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Jesus and His disciples travelled by boat.
- 2. A strong wind met them.
- 3. Jesus was called from His sleep to help.
- 4. Jesus commanded the sea to be calm.
- 5. Jesus rebuked His disciples' faithlessness.
- 6. The disciples acknowledged the power and authority of Jesus.

APPLICATION

Jesus calmed the storm. Bring your challenges for Him to solve.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Tell Him of your problems at school
- b. Tell Him of your problems at home
- c. Tell Him your spiritual problems

INVITATION

Accept Jesus into your heart and He will solve your problems.

CHALLENGE

Life in Christ is full of challenges, problems and worries. Never give up. Jesus can solve all your problems. **LESSON 21:** THE WASHING OF THE

DISCIPLES' FEET

Scripture: John 13:1-17

Aim: That the child will learn to be humble

and serve others

Memory Verse: 1 Peter 5:5

Suggested Song: *He will lift you up*

INTRODUCTION

Define humility with special examples (Philippians 2:3-4)

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Jesus and the disciples at the last meal.
- 2. Jesus prepared Himself to wash their feet.
- 3. Peter resisted Jesus washing his feet.
- 4. Peter later requested for a full wash.
- 5. Jesus taught His disciples the meaning of His action.
- 6. Jesus commanded His disciples to continue to serve each other

APPLICATION

Jesus humbled Himself by washing the feet of the disciples. You must also be humble and be ready to serve others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES Be prepared to.....

- a. serve your parents in humility.
- b. serve your class teacher in humility.
- c. serve your elders in humility.

INVITATION: Accepting Christ as your personal Saviour can produce true humility in you. Invite Jesus into your heart now

CHALLENGE: Humble yourself therefore under God's mighty hand so that He will lift you up in due time.

LESSON 22: THE DEATH AND BURIAL OF

JESUS

Scripture: Mathew 27:45-61

Aim: That the child will know that Jesus

died to save him so he should also

sacrifice for others

Memory Verse: 1Corinthians 15: 3b-4

Suggested Song: Stop, and let me tell you

INTRODUCTION

Act a funeral scene

- 1. Jesus was tried and crucified.
- 2. Jesus cried out aloud.
- 3. Wine vinegar was served to Jesus.
- 4. After the second loud cry He died.
- 5. The temple curtain tore and graves opened.
- 6. The centurion confessed Jesus as the real Son of God.
- 7. Joseph of Arimathea asked permission to bury Jesus' body.

Since Jesus died for your sin, you should be prepared to sacrifice for others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Be prepared to sacrifice your time, talent, food, and your other possessions for other people.

INVITATION

Come to Jesus and He will cleanse you from all your sin and you can then sacrifice for others.

CHALLENGE

Decide to sacrifice for others because Jesus died for you.

LESSON 23: THE RESURRECTION OF

JESUS

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10

Aim: That the child will have hope in the

resurrection of the dead in Christ

Memory Verse: Romans 8:11

Suggested Song: He's alive! Amen, Jesus is alive

forever

INTRODUCTION

Play any musical instrument and shout – He is risen, He is alive, He is risen, He is alive.

- 1. Mary Magdalene and the other Mary visited Jesus' tomb.
- 2. An angel of the Lord appeared and rolled the stone.
- 3. The angel announced the resurrection of Jesus.
- 4. The women ran to tell the other disciples.

Jesus rose from the dead so all who believe in Him have the hope of resurrection.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

The resurrection of Jesus should give you hope in this life and the life to come.

INVITATION

There is no hope for the sinner now and in the life to come, so accept Jesus now as your Lord and Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Continue to have hope that Jesus will come again for you. (1 Corinthians 15:58).

CHAPTER FIVE

PRAYER



LESSON 24: THE NEED TO PRAY 1

(Esther and the Jews)

Scripture: Esther 5:1-8; 3:14

Aim: To let the child know that there is

the need to pray in times of trouble.

Memory Verse: Psalm 121:1

Suggested Song: Faw'akwan hyeYehowa nsa

INTRODUCTION

Joseph and his family became very sad because of an ejection notice from their landlord. Meanwhile their father was out of the country. Joseph then decided to fast and pray about the situation with his friend. Soon the Lord answered through Joseph's father who sent in some money.

- 1. The King approved of Haman's plan.
- 2. Esther and all the Jews fasted and prayed.
- 3. Esther risked her life to see the King.
- 4. The King received Esther to her surprise.
- 5. The King accepted Esther's invitation.

God changed Esther and Mordecai's situation when they prayed for deliverance. You must pray to God in times of trouble.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. You must learn to pray on your own when in need.
- b. You must learn to pray with friends when in trouble.

INVITATION

For God to listen to your prayer you must believe and accept Jesus now as your Lord and Saviour.

CHALLENGE

You should pray at all times.

LESSON 25: THE NEED TO PRAY 2

(Jesus with His disciples in

Gethsemane)

Scripture: Matthew 26:36-45

Aim: To encourage the child to ask for

strength to be able to pray fervently.

Suggested Song: Whisper a prayer in the morning

Memory Verse: Luke 18:1

INTRODUCTION

Call a child to pray fervently or seriously (role play) and link it to the story.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Jesus and His disciples in the garden of Gethsemane.
- 2. Jesus went with Peter and the two sons of Zebedee.
- 3. Jesus went further to pray.
- 4. Jesus encouraged them to pray.

APPLICATION

You should make every effort to pray always as Jesus did.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Make prayer your habit.
- b. Pray with all your heart.
- c. Pray when you are discouraged.

INVITATION

You cannot pray to Jesus if you do not have Him in your life. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

This week continue praying on a need until you receive an answer.

LESSON 26: THE PRAYER OF THE

PHARISEE AND THE

PUBLICAN

Scripture: Luke 18:9-14

Aim: To teach the child how to pray

Memory Verse: James 4:3

Suggested Song: Rejoice evermore, pray

without ceasing

INTRODUCTION Ouestions:

- 1. What is prayer?
- 2. How do we pray?
- 3. Whom do we pray to? (Discuss with children and link it to the story).

- 1. The Pharisee and the tax collector went to the temple to pray.
- 2. The Pharisee prayed about himself.
- 3. The tax collector humbled himself and asked for mercy.
- 4. The tax collector went home justified.

The tax collector pleased God because he humbled himself in prayer. You must do likewise.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

You must pray in the right way – in humility, faith and love.

INVITATION

Believe and accept the Lord Jesus Christ so that you can pray in humility.

CHALLENGE

You must humble yourself before God in prayer every time.

LESSON 27: GOD ANSWERS PRAYER 1

(Hannah's prayer in the temple)

Scripture: 1 Samuel 1:1-20

Aim: To teach the child to know that God

will answer him when he prays.

Memory Verse: Psalm 37:4

Suggested Song: *Read your Bible pray everyday

*Whisper a prayer in the morning

INTRODUCTION

Jimmy who was last in the class examination decided to pray to God and studied well. His prayer was answered and he had a better grade the following term.

- 1. Hannah's earnest prayer in the temple.
- 2. She vowed to God.
- 3. Eli thought she was drunk.
- 4. Hannah's reply.
- 5. Eli's prayer for Hannah.
- 6. Hannah gave birth to a son and called him Samuel.

Hannah prayed for a child and God answered her. You can also pray and God will answer you.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Pray to God for all your health problems
- b. Pray to God for all your needs.
- c. Believe God for your total protection

INVITATION

If you want God to answer your prayer let Jesus be your friend.

CHALLENGE

Do you want your prayer answered as a child of God? Then continue to trust Him each day.

LESSON 28: GOD ANSWERS PRAYER 2

(Elijah and the prophets of Baal)

Scripture: 1 Kings 18:16-38

Aim: To let the child know that God

works miracles through prayer

Memory Verse: Jeremiah 33:3

Suggested Song: He's a miracle working God

INTRODUCTION

Take children through the prayer drill

- 1. Elijah prophesied that there will be no rain.
- 2. Elijah went into hiding.
- 3. Ahab met Elijah through Obadiah.
- 4. Elijah and the prophets of Baal at Mount Carmel.
- 5. Elijah challenged the prophets of Baal.
- 6. Baal failed to respond to his prophets.
- 7. God answered Elijah with fire.
- 8. Elijah killed the prophets of Baal

The power that helped Elijah is in you as a child of God. Believe that when you pray God will answer you.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Pray for those who do not believe in God
- b. Pray and expect miracles to happen

INVITATION

Do you want God to perform a miracle in your life? Believe and accept Jesus Christ as your Friend.

CHALLENGE

There are many miracles you can receive through prayer, therefore pray always.

LESSON 29: PETER RELEASED FROM

PRISON

Scripture: Acts 12:1-17

Aim: To encourage the child to pray for

others in need

Memory Verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Suggested Song: *Prayer is the key*

INTRODUCTION

Mary was one day attacked by a severe headache and she was not able to stand on her feet. Her friends in the Sunday school kept praying for her until she recovered.

- 1. King Herod put James the brother of John to death.
- 2. He arrested Peter and put him into prison.
- 3. The church prayed for Peter in the house of Mary the mother of John Mark.
- 4. Peter came and knocked at the door when they were praying.

The church prayed for Peter's release. You can also pray for others who are in trouble.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Remember to pray for the sick.
- b. Remember to pray for those in need.
- c. Remember to pray for your teacher/parents/friends, etc.

INVITATION

The only way God will hear your prayer for others is when you accept Jesus as your Lord and Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Each of you should write down on a piece of paper anytime you pray for someone.

CHAPTER SIX

FELLOWSHIP



LESSON 30: TIMOTHY'S FAMILY

Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:5, 3: 14-15

Aim: To help the child desire to learn

about God at home.

Memory Verse: Proverbs 3:1

Suggested Song: Read your Bible pray everyday

INTRODUCTION

Do you like to hear stories? Who tells you stories at home? Does the person tell you stories from the Bible?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. The faith of Timothy's grandmother.
- 2. The faith of Timothy's mother.
- 3. The wisdom of Timothy.
- 4. Timothy became a mature Christian.

APPLICATION

Timothy learned the scripture from infancy through his parents. You must learn the scriptures at home.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Be punctual at family devotions
- b. Take your Bible lessons seriously during family devotions.

INVITATION

You can only live a happy life by accepting Jesus now.

CHALLENGE

You must continue in His love and fellowship regularly like Timothy.

LESSON 31: DANIEL AND HIS FRIENDS

IN A BABYLONIAN SCHOOL

Scripture: Daniel 1:1-21

Aim: To teach the child how to live a

sinless life

Memory Verse: Romans 12:1

Suggested Song: Boys and Girls for Jesus.

INTRODUCTION

Use a song to introduce the lesson.

- 1. Jerusalem was attacked and its King and people were carried away to Babylon.
- 2. The Chief of the court officials was ordered to bring in some reliable Jews to be trained.
- 3. Daniel and his friends were chosen to attend school for three years.
- 4. Daniel and his friends refused the food served.
- 5. They threw a challenge
- 6. They became wiser than all their other friends in Babylon.

Daniel and his friends were faithful to God in a strange land. You must also be faithful to God wherever you find yourself.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Faithfully live for God at home, school and Church.

INVITATION

Accept Jesus Christ as your Saviour and he will help you live a sinless life.

CHALLENGE

Be faithful and maintain your purity.

LESSON 32: SAMUELAND ELI

Scripture: 1 Samuel 2:12; 3:1-21

Aim: That the child will learn to have time

alone with God (fellowship)

Memory Verse: 1 Samuel 3:9b

Suggested Song: Day by day dear Lord of these

three things I pray

INTRODUCTION

Discuss. How often do you pray? Why do you attend Sunday school?

- 1. The wicked acts of the sons of Eli.
- 2. A prophet announced God's judgment.
- 3. Young Samuel served in the tabernacle.
- 4. God called Samuel.
- 5. God revealed His plans to Samuel.
- 6. Samuel gave God's message to Eli.
- 7. Samuel grew in the Lord.

Samuel grew in fellowship with God. You must do likewise.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

In order to grow in fellowship with God, you must pray, read your Bible, attend Sunday school and tell others about Jesus Christ.

INVITATION

Accept Jesus Christ as your Saviour and develop a close fellowship with Him.

CHALLENGE

You have believed in Jesus as your Saviour. God expects you to be in constant fellowship with Him.

LESSON 33: DAVID AND JONATHAN

Scripture: 1 Samuel 20:1-42

Aim: That the child will learn to cultivate

good relationships with his friends

Memory Verse: John 15:13

Suggested Song: Jesus my only Friend

INTRODUCTION

John has many friends but Peter appears to be his best friend. Who is your best friend and why? (Interact with children about their friends).

- 1. David enquired about Saul's hatred for him from Jonathan.
- 2. Jonathan decided to find out and tell him.
- 3. David's plans.
- 4. Jonathan's covenant with David
- 5. The signs of Jonathan
- 6. Saul's anger
- 7. Jonathan helped David to escape

Jonathan proved his good relationship with David. You must always endeavour to relate well to your friends.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

How do you relate to friends when playing or when studying in the classroom?

INVITATION

You cannot relate well to others without accepting the Lord Jesus Christ into your life. Accept Him today. (Romans 3:20)

CHALLENGE

With Jesus in your life you must relate to others well. (Romans 13:8).

LESSON 34: JESUS IN THE HOUSE OF

SIMON THE PHARISEE

Scripture: Luke 7:36-50

Aim: That the child will learn to relate to

people from different backgrounds

Memory Verse: Hebrews 12:14

Suggested Song: *Jesus loves the little children, all*

the children of the world.

INTRODUCTION

Let the children mention the backgrounds of their friends. eg: tribes, social backgrounds, etc.

- a. Jesus was invited to Simon's house.
- b. A woman leading a sinful life came to the house.
- c. The woman anointed Jesus' feet.
- d. The reaction of Simon.
- e. Jesus' parable on forgiveness.
- f. The woman was forgiven.

Jesus related well with people of diverse backgrounds. You should also learn to relate to people of different backgrounds.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Relate well to people from different backgrounds. e.g; tribes, schools, Churches, etc.

INVITATION

You cannot relate well to your friends and others without Jesus Christ in your life. Accept Him today. (2 Corinthians 5:17).

CHALLENGE

You must learn how to treat your friends and others well. As a Christian try to be at peace with all men.

LESSON 35: JESUS IN THE HOME OF

MARYAND MARTHA

Scripture: Luke 10:38-42

Aim: That the child will learn to have time

for others

Memory Verse: Psalm 133:1

Suggested Song: *Mmofra y4nko Yesu 4w4 ha*

INTRODUCTION

Johnny was celebrating his birthday and he invited Ann to his home.

- 1. Jesus visited a village.
- 2. Martha welcomed Jesus to their home.
- 3. Mary sat at Jesus' feet while Martha prepared to host Jesus
- 4. Martha was worried because Mary was not helping her.
- 5. Jesus' response to Martha's worry.

In spite of his busy schedules, Jesus made quality time for Mary and Martha by visiting them. God expects you to make time for others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Make time for your friends, brothers and sisters, school mates etc.

INVITATION

Without Jesus in your heart you cannot make time for others. Accept Him today and He will enable you to make time for others.

CHALLENGE

Learn to make time for all manner of people, no matter how busy you are.

CHAPTER SEVEN

PARENTS AND OTHER RELATIONS



LESSON 36: ABRAHAM AND ELIEZER

Scripture: Genesis 24:1-14

Aim: That the child will submit to his/her

guardian

Memory Verse: 1 Peter 5:6

Suggested Song: He will lift you up, He will lift you

up; humble yourself, before the

Lord.....

INTRODUCTION

How do you react to instructions from your guardian? Do you always obey him/her?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Instruction to the servant of Abraham.
- 2. Eliezer left to carry out Abraham's instruction.
- 3. The servant asked direction from God.
- 4. God gave direction to Eliezer.
- 5. He returned to his master with a wife for Isaac.

APPLICATION

Eliezer obeyed Abraham's instruction. God wants you to submit to godly instructions.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Submit to instructions from God through your parents, teachers, elder brothers and sisters.

INVITATION

Your submission will be meaningless without the Lord Jesus Christ in your life, so believe and accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

You must always submit to your guardian just as you do to God

LESSON 37: JACOB AND ESAU

Scripture: Genesis 27:1-46

Aim: That the child will refrain from

deceitful behaviour

Memory Verse: 3 John 11b

Suggested Song: Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in

me

INTRODUCTION

Dramatise: Two boys struggling over food.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. The birth of Jacob and Esau.
- 2. Isaac planned to bless Esau.
- 3. Rebecca told Jacob about his father's plans.
- 4. Jacob stole his brother's blessing.
- 5. A blessing declared on Esau.
- 6. Jacob escaped.

APPLICATION

Jacob lied to get his brother's blessing. Under no circumstance should you lie to achieve your aim.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Refrain from lying, cheating and stealing.

INVITATION

It is easy to cheat and even copy wrong things if Jesus is not in your heart. Accept Him today. (Revelation 3:20.)

CHALLENGE

God hates and does not bless His children who deceive others, so always do the right thing.

LESSON 38: MOSES AND MIRIAM

Scripture: Exodus 1:6-2:10

Aim: That the child will learn to love and

protect his siblings

Memory Verse: 1 John 4:7

Suggested Song: Yeye anuanom wo Yesu

Kristo mu

INTRODUCTION

What do you do when your younger siblings are left in your care?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Israel grew strong in Egypt.
- 2. Midwives ordered to kill Hebrew born male babies
- 3. Midwives decided against the order.
- 4. The mother of Moses tried to save him.
- 5. Miriam kept watch and saved Moses' life.

APPLICATION

Out of love Miriam risked her life to save her brother. You should also be prepared to help others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Discuss briefly how you can care for your younger brothers, sisters, friends and others.

INVITATION

Through his sister, Moses was adopted into the family of king Pharaoh. You can also become a member of God's family today if you believe and accept Jesus into your heart. John 1:12.

CHALLENGE

You must learn to love and assist others.

LESSON 39: ESTHER AND MORDECAI

Scripture: Esther 2:1-9:16

Aim: That the child will have concern for

his family and relatives

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:10

Suggested Song: *Jesus never fails*

INTRODUCTION

Who is a relative? Mention some of them.

- 1. Esther was selected to be queen.
- 2. Mordecai reported a plot against the King.
- 3. Mordecai had problems with Haman.
- 4. Mordecai urged Esther to intervene
- 5. Esther responded by pleading with the King.
- 6. Mordecai and the Jews were saved.

God wants you to show concern for your family and relatives.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

You must care for your grandparents, uncles, aunties, etc.

INVITATION

Accept the Lord Jesus Christ and He will strengthen you to love and care for your relatives.

CHALLENGE

Make it your Christian duty to care for your relatives.

LESSON 40: SAMUEL SERVES ELI

Scripture: 1 Samuel 1:19-28; 2:18-21; 3:1-21

Aim: That the child will learn to serve

mankind

Memory Verse: Colossians 3:23

Suggested Song: Nyame adwuma y1 d1

INTRODUCTION

Ask a child to sweep or clean some chairs or tables

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. The birth of Samuel.
- 2. Hannah took Samuel to live with Eli.
- 3. Samuel served Eli in the temple.
- 4. God spoke to Samuel.

APPLICATION

God spoke to Samuel while serving in the temple. He can speak to you also as you serve others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Make it a practice to serve at home, school and Church.

INVITATION

You can only serve wholeheartedly if you allow Jesus Christ to be the Lord of your life. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

Serve every one wholeheartedly and with humility.

CHAPTER EIGHT

LEARNING TO TRUST GOD



LESSON 41 ELIJAH FED BY RAVENS

Scripture: 1 Kings 17:1-6

Aim: Let the child know that God supplies

his daily needs

Memory Verse: Matthew 6:33

Suggested Song: Jesus never fails / Monhwe

nnomaa a wokyin wo wim

INTRODUCTION

Who cares for the needs of the birds in the air, animals in the bush and the fish in the sea?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Elijah's prophecy over Israel.
- 2. There was drought in the land.
- 3. Upon God's instruction Elijah left the land.
- 4. Elijah was fed by ravens.

APPLICATION

Elijah's need was supplied by God. You must trust Him to do the same for you. (Philippians 4:19).

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

God will supply all your needs; eg. financial, material and spiritual needs.

INVITATION

The Lord Jesus Christ can provide all your needs. Believe and accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

Be assured that when all hope is lost God can meet you at the point of your need.

LESSON 42; THE THREE JEWISH FRIENDS

Scripture: Daniel 3: 1-30

Aim: For the child to know that God can

deliver him if he continually puts his

trust in Him

Memory Verse: Exodus 20:3

Suggested Song: Mo nye koom, na Onyame

bεko ama mo

INTRODUCTION

Who is a servant? What does a servant do?

- 1. The four Jewish friends were taken captive to Babylon.
- 2. King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of God to be worshipped.
- 3. The Jewish friends refused to worship the image.
- 4. King Nebuchadnezzar attempted to kill the three Jewish friends
- 5. They escaped from the fire in the furnace.
- 6. The three friends were later promoted to a higher office in Babylon.

The Jewish friends trusted God's deliverance. Trust in God to deliver you from all circumstances.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Trust God for your healing when you are sick, for protection when in danger, etc.

INVITATION

Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ to cleanse you from all your sins now and He will deliver you.

CHALLENGE

Be quiet, stand firm and look up to Jesus alone to deliver you.

LESSON 43: BARTIMAEUS, THE BLIND

MAN

Scripture: Mark 10: 46-52

Aim: That the child will believe Jesus for

His healing

Memory Verse: Mark 10: 52

Suggested Song: Everywhere He went, He was

doing good

INTRODUCTION

Act like a blind person

- 1. Jesus left Jericho with a crowd following Him.
- 2. Bartimaeus, a blind beggar sat by the road.
- 3. He heard Jesus passing by and shouted for mercy.
- 4. He was rebuked for shouting but Jesus called Him.
- 5. He threw his garment away and wanted to touch Jesus.
- 6. Bartimaeus received his sight and followed Jesus.

Bartimaeus believed and was healed. You must also believe Jesus for your healing.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Believe Jesus for all your physical and spiritual healing.

INVITATION

You can always be assured of divine healing if you have Christ in your heart.

CHALLENGE

You must always believe Jesus for your healing.

LESSON 44: JESUS HEALS A PARALYTIC

Scripture: Mark 2:1-12

Aim: That the child will help other friends

in times of need

Memory Verse: Romans 12:13

Suggested Song: I will live for Jesus day after day

INTRODUCTION

The other day I saw a woman carrying her sick child to the hospital. A similar thing happened in the Bible.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Jesus went to Capernaum.
- 2. Jesus preached to a great crowd.
- 3. A paralytic was brought by four men through the roof.
- 4. Jesus commended them for their great faith.
- 5. The man got up and walked.

APPLICATION

The four men helped their friend to get healed. You must also help others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. You must help your friends in their studies.
- b. You must help the aged and the weak.
- c. You must also help your brothers and sisters at home.

INVITATION

Without Jesus it will be difficult for you to help others. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

Continue to help others this week, and report on it at our next meeting.

LESSON 45: THE CENTURION'S SERVANT

HEALED

Scripture: Luke 7:1-10

Aim: That the child will know that his faith

in God can help others

Memory Verse: Matthew 8:13

Suggested Song: With Jesus in the boat, I will smile

at the storm

INTRODUCTION

What happens when we get sick? How can we help our friends who are also sick?

- 1. Jesus in Capernaum.
- 2. Elders of the Jews were sent to bring Jesus.
- 3. The Centurion appealed to Jesus not to enter his house.
- 4. Jesus commended the Centurion's great faith.
- 5. The servant got healed.

The Centurion had faith in Jesus to heal his servant. Trust God to use you to help others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Trust God to answer your prayers for the sick and the needy.

INVITATION

Trust the Lord to save you from your sins by accepting Him now.

CHALLENGE

Be determined to trust the Lord Jesus Christ always for the joy of others.

LESSON 46: HANNAH TRUSTED GOD FOR

A CHILD

Scripture: 1 Samuel 1: 1-20

Aim: That the child will rely on God for

his specific needs

Memory Verse: Luke 1:37

Suggested Song: Adea w'ays ama Sarah

INTRODUCTION

Use the suggested song to introduce the lesson.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. The family of Elkannah.
- 2. Hannah desired for a baby.
- 3. Hannah visited Shiloh to worship.
- 4. Hannah prayed in the temple.
- 5. Hannah gave birth to Samuel.

APPLICATION

Hannah relied on God for a child. You must also rely on God for all your needs.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Rely on God to supply your needs for school, Church and at home.

INVITATION

You cannot expect any good thing in your life if you don't have Jesus. Invite Him into your life now.

CHALLENGE

Always trust God for all your needs.

CHAPTER NINE

LOVE



LESSON 47: KINDNESS

(David and Mephibosheth)

Scripture: 2 Samuel 9: 1-13

Aim: That the child will practise the loving

kindness of God

Memory Verse: Romans 5: 8

Suggested Song: God is good, God is kind –

I can feel it in my heart

INTRODUCTION

Demonstrate a beggar in the street

- 1. David sought for Mephibosheth.
- 2. Mephibosheth arrived in David's palace.
- 3. David's promise and kindness to Mephibosheth.
- 4. Mephibosheth remained in the palace and continued to eat at the King's table.

David showed love and kindness to Mephibosheth because of Jonathan. You must also show kindness to your neighbour because of Christ.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Be kind to your friends, brothers, sisters and the disabled.

INVITATION

God's love and kindness are available to you. Accept Jesus Christ into your heart. (John 1:12).

CHALLENGE

Remember all the kindness God has shown you and do likewise.

LESSON 48: GIVING

(Feeding of the five thousand)

Scripture: John 6: 1-13

Aim: That the child will learn how to give

willingly

Memory Verse: Luke 6:38

Suggested Song: To w'abodoo gu nsu n'ani

INTRODUCTION

ACTION – Bless a loaf of bread and fish and distribute to children.

- 1. Jesus and his disciples went to Galilee.
- 2. A large crowd followed Him.
- 3. The crowd was hungry.
- 4. A boy provided five loaves of bread and two fishes.
- 5. Jesus blessed the food.
- 6. After the crowds were satisfied, the disciples picked up twelve baskets full of bread and fish.

Give generously and God will use it to bless others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Give generously in love to your friends, brothers and sisters.

INVITATION

When you accept Jesus Christ as your Saviour, He will give you a generous heart. Accept Him today.

CHALLENGE

Do you give generously or not? Start giving generously now. John 3:16.

LESSON 49: CARING

(The Good Samaritan)

Scripture: Luke 10: 25-37

Aim: That the child will show care for all

people

Memory Verse: Luke 10:27

Suggested Song: Jesus' love is so wonderful

INTRODUCTION

Demonstrate a woman carrying a heavy load and two children attempting to help her with the load.

- 1. A lawyer approached Jesus with a question.
- 2. A man traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho fell among thieves.
- 3. A priest and a Levite passed by.
- 4. A Samaritan came and helped.
- 5. Jesus' advice on the story of the Good Samaritan.

The Samaritan cared for the wounded stranger. God wants you to care for others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Care for others at home, school, at play and everywhere.

INVITATION

It is easier to help your neighbour when you receive Jesus Christ as your friend. Accept Him now and you will have eternal life. 1 John 5:13.

CHALLENGE

Care for others by helping them in their difficulties.

LESSON 50: FORGIVENESS

(Philemon and Onesimus)

Scripture: Philemon 1

Aim: That the child will learn how to

forgive in love

Memory Verse: Matthew 6:12

Suggested Song: Yeye anuanom wo Yesu

Kristo mu

INTRODUCTION

After breaking the drinking glass, Henry confessed and was forgiven by his mum.

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Paul wrote to Philemon.
- 2. Paul pleaded on behalf of Onesimus.
- 3. Paul expected a positive response from Philemon.

APPLICATION

Philemon forgave Onesimus. You should also forgive others in love.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Forgive your offending brothers, sisters and friends (playmates).

INVITATION

Your sins can be forgiven if you accept Jesus as your personal Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Continue to forgive others no matter the situation just as Christ has forgiven you.

CHAPTER TEN

GOD'S CARE



LESSON 51: PROTECTION I

(The birth of Moses)

Scripture: Exodus 2:1-10

Aim: That the child should be aware of

God's protection

Memory Verse: Jeremiah 1:5

Suggested Song: My God is so big

INTRODUCTION

Oh God, help me! A nursing mother shouting for help for her baby.

- 1. The birth of Moses.
- 2. Moses was hidden for three months at home.
- 3. The baby Moses was placed on the Nile River.
- 4. The baby was found by Pharaoh's daughter.
- 5. The baby was given to his own mother to be nursed.
- 6. Pharaoh's daughter adopted and named him.

God was able to protect Moses. Be aware of God's protection for your life too.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Know that God protects your life everywhere you are; Eg. at school, home, Church, etc.

INVITATION

You always enjoy God's special protection when you accept Jesus as your Saviour. Accept Him as your friend now.

CHALLENGE

Never think you are alone because Jesus keeps watch over you.

LESSON 52: PROTECTION II

(Daniel in the lion's den)

Scripture: Daniel 6: 1-28

Aim: That the child will know that

protection comes from God for the

faithful

Memory Verse: Isaiah 41:10

Suggested Song: Oboafo, oboafo, oboafo, nni

baabiara

INTRODUCTION

Where are lions found? What do lions feed on?

- Daniel was appointed as an administrator in Babylon and he excelled
- 2. Out of envy a law was passed that no prayer should be offered to God.
- 3. Daniel was brought before the King for praying to God.
- 4. Daniel was thrown into the lions' den.
- 5. King Darius suffered a sleepless night.
- 6. The King rejoiced over Daniel's survival.

7. Daniel's accusers and their families were thrown into the lions' den.

APPLICATION

The God who delivered Daniel can do the same for you if you will be faithful always.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Walk in faithfulness everyday at school, Church, home and everywhere.

INVITATION

The name of Jesus has power to save and protect you. Believe in His name for protection.

CHALLENGE

Are you living like a faithful child before God? (Revelation 2:10b).

LESSON 53 PROTECTION III

(Peter In Prison)

Scripture: Acts 12: 1-17

Aim: That the child will know that God is

in control of everything

Memory Verse: Lamentations 3:26

Suggested Song: Enso no ye se obeye

INTRODUCTION

Use this song to introduce the lesson. "Nyame do Ne ma, na Oyi won firi won haw mu"

- 1. The Church was attacked by King Herod.
- 2. Peter was arrested and put into prison.
- 3. The church prayed for Peter.
- 4. An Angel of the Lord released Peter from prison.
- 5. Rhoda heard Peter knocking at the door, where they were praying but the disciples did not believe it.

Peter was miraculously rescued from prison. You should also believe that God has power to bring you out of every difficulty.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Believe that God provides protection for your family and relations.

INVITATION

You are assured of God's protection only if you have Christ in your heart. Welcome Him into your heart today.

CHALLENGE

Be strong and firm at all times because God will never fail you.

LESSON 54 PROVISION I

(Elisha and the widow's Oil)

Scripture: 2 Kings 4: 1-7

Aim: That the child will obey divine

instructions for the supply of his

needs

Memory Verse: Philippians 4:19

Suggested Song: *God will make a way where there*

seems to be no way

INTRODUCTION

Dramatise a woman selling oil in bottles on a table at the market

- 1. A prophet died leaving behind a wife and two sons.
- 2. The widow pleaded with Elisha to help her pay her debt.
- 3. Elisha demanded to know what she had.
- 4. Elisha instructed the widow.
- 5. The widow got enough oil to pay off all her debt.

The woman obeyed Elisha's instruction and was helped. You must also endeavour to obey God and receive help.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You must obey God, your parents and teachers' instructions and be blessed.

INVITATION

God can solve all the difficult problems you have. Believe and accept Jesus Christ now as your Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Jesus can supply all your daily needs. Continue to trust and obey Him.

LESSON 55 PROVISION II

(The Shunammite Woman)

Scripture: 2 Kings 4: 8-37

Aim: That the child will learn to show

favour to others and be blessed

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 9:7c

Suggested Song: John 3:16 – (*Silent night tune*)

INTRODUCTION

On John's birthday, he gave out gifts to all those who came to his party. What do you give to people?

LIST OF EVENTS

- 1. Elisha went to Shunem with Gehazi.
- 2. The Shunamite woman showed favour to Elisha.
- 3. Elisha's prophecy to the Shunamite woman.
- 4. The Shunamite woman gave birth as Elisha had prophesied.

APPLICATION

You can be a blessing to others if you allow yourself to be used by God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Be a source of blessing to your guardian, teachers, friends, etc.

INVITATION

Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ in order to be a blessing to others

CHALLENGE

Offer yourself as a channel of blessing to others. (Romans 12:1).