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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 to 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 content.

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 70s, 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 puts 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 HANDS 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 was 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 admonishes young Timothy: *"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"*.

I pray that this book will be of help and a blessing to all who love children and who want to see them come to a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prophet Benjamin Augustus Adobah
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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 hands. 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 THE 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 (to experience and build his / her i.e., faith in God) – **Heart** knowledge.
- c) 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, as the main etc., 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.

AN 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 produces 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.

AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO TEACH A 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 person is Jesus, the Son of God. Let us find out about something very 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 the 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 Saviour as your Lord and 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 THE 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 R E A D R” components.

AN 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, worry, when you can pray”.*

INTRODUCTION

Mensah sat near the gate of their house very 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 he was told that Jesus visited the disciples had 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 to singing. E.g: girls, boys, those in red, white dresses, etc.

REVIEW: Ask questions from the song to make sure the 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 R E A D R’

- a) **I**-Introduction – Introduce the memory verse or song in an interesting way.
- b) **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 the children are able to recite or sing the piece very well.
- f) **R**- Review – Check the understanding of the children in the following areas- Explanation (E), Application (A) and Drill (D). Give assignments 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 doctrines.

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

JESUS THE SAVIOUR



LESSON 1

THE VIRGIN BIRTH FORETOLD

Scripture:

Luke 1:26 -38

Aim:

The children would learn about the virgin birth of Jesus

Memory Verse:

Isaiah 7:14

Suggested Song:

*Meye Kronkron ama
Awurade*

INTRODUCTION

A child is normally born by both husband and wife, but there is a wonderful story I want to tell you about a woman.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary.
2. The Angel foretold Mary's conception.
3. Mary was troubled by the message.
4. The Angel assured Mary.
5. Mary accepted the Angel's message.

APPLICATION – Mary kept herself holy for the Lord and was used by Him. You must also practise holy living.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a. Be holy in your speech.
- b. Be holy in your behaviour.
- c. Be holy in your thoughts.

INVITATION

Repent and confess your sins to Jesus. He will forgive and cleanse you from all sins.

CHALLENGE

Continue to be holy unto the Lord ,for in due time God will use you as a channel of blessing.

LESSON 2: THE SINLESS LIFE –
TEMPTATION

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Aim: That the child would learn to use the word of God to overcome any temptation.

Memory Verse: Hebrews 4:15

Suggested Song: *In the Word of God there is power*

INTRODUCTION

How many bible quotations do you know? Allow three children to recite one each.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus was led into the wilderness by the Holy Spirit
2. Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights
3. The devil tempted Jesus on three occasions
4. Jesus overcame the devil with the Word of God
5. The devil left Jesus for a while

APPLICATION

Jesus used the Word of God to overcome the devil. We should also memorise the Word to be able to use it in our daily living.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Discuss temptations of children at home, e. g. stealing, lying, fighting, gossiping, etc.

INVITATION

Accept the Lord Jesus Christ now. His Word will help you overcome any temptation.

CHALLENGE

Always pray and study the Word of God;

Avoid bad company and you will be able to overcome temptation.

LESSON 3: THE SINLESS LIFE –
FORGIVENESS

Scripture: Mark 2: 1-12

Aim: That the child will know that Jesus has the power to forgive sin.

Memory Verse: Matthew 6: 14 & 15

Suggested Song: *He paid the debt He did not owe....*

INTRODUCTION

Do you realise that it is not easy to forgive when someone offends you? Allow the children to give instances. Narrate to them the story of a man who knows how to forgive.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus preached to people in a packed -to- capacity home in Capernaum.
2. A paralytic was carried and lowered before Jesus.
3. Jesus saw the people's faith and pronounced forgiveness on the paralytic.
4. The Scribes around challenged Jesus' authority to forgive sin.
5. Jesus saw the Scribes' opposition and rather healed the paralytic.
6. The miracle amazed all onlookers and they praised God thereafter.

APPLICATION

It is Jesus who has the power to forgive sin. He empowers you to forgive those who offend you.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Discuss the benefits of forgiving others.

INVITATION

Acknowledge that you have sinned against God. You need His forgiveness and pardon. Repent and confess that you are a sinner and you will become a child of God.

CHALLENGE

Now that you are following Jesus Christ, learn to forgive those who offend you.

LESSON 4: THE DEATH AND BURIAL OF JESUS

Scripture: John 19:28-42

Aim: To let the child appreciate the worth of the death of Jesus Christ.

Memory Verse: Isaiah 53:4-5

Suggested Song: *His Love for me*

INTRODUCTION

Describe a funeral ceremony you have ever observed.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus was crucified on the cross by Roman soldiers.
2. Jesus was offered a sponge soaked in vinegar to quench His thirst.
3. Jesus shouted, "It is finished", and died.
4. The soldiers attempted to break his legs.
5. Jesus was buried.

APPLICATION

Jesus died for your sin. He expects you to believe in Him and live a righteous life.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Let the sinful nature in you (examples: stealing, lying, laziness, etc.) die so that you can live a righteous life.

INVITATION

Do you realize that you are a sinner and need to be forgiven? Then believe and accept that Jesus died, was buried and rose again to save you from your sin.

CHALLENGE

You have given your life to Jesus Christ; His blood has cleansed you of your sin; continue to live a righteous life

LESSON 5

THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10

Aim: That the children would know that the resurrection of Christ is a proof of victory for all Christians.

Memory Verse: 1 Cor. 15:3-4

Suggested Song: *He is alive..... Amen*

INTRODUCTION

A favourite fruit tree in a garden was cut down accidentally. However, after some few weeks the tree started growing again, giving hope of fruit bearing soon.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Mary Magdalene and another Mary went to the tomb where Jesus was buried.
2. An Angel informed them that Jesus had risen.
3. The women ran to tell the disciples.
4. Jesus met the women and they worshipped Him.

APPLICATION

Jesus is the only one who is able to overcome death. His resurrection is a proof that you have also triumphed over death and sin.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Jesus' victory over sin and death should help you to overcome sicknesses, sin, fear and Satan.

INVITATION

The victory Jesus won over sin will be yours only if you accept Him as your Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Acknowledge that the Lord's resurrection has brought you victory and eternal life. Remain in Him and sin can no longer overcome you.

LESSON 6: THE ASCENSION OF JESUS

Scripture: Luke 24: 36-52

Aim: To let the child know that Jesus rose from the dead and ascended into heaven.

Memory Verse: 1 Timothy 3:16

Suggested Song: *Heaven is a Happy Place*

INTRODUCTION

Let the children observe a kite flying in the sky.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus appeared to the disciples after His resurrection.
2. He told them that He would be taken to heaven.
3. He led them out of Bethany.
4. While blessing them, He was taken up to heaven.

APPLICATION

Jesus ascended to heaven and sat with the Father in glory. We shall also be with Him someday.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Because Jesus is in heaven you must also be heavenly-minded in your worship, service, offering, daily living, etc.

INVITATION

You can sit in heavenly places with Christ, if you receive Him as your Lord and Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Your position in heaven is assured provided you live for the Lord daily.

LESSON 7: THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS

Scripture: John 14:1-6

Aim: To let the child know that Jesus will come again

Memory Verse: Acts 1: 11

Suggested Song: *Surely soon.... Ah! Yes surely soon*

INTRODUCTION

Who has ever been given a promise by his father? Did he fulfill the promise?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus comforted His disciples concerning His departure.
2. Jesus assured His disciples.
3. He further promised that He was going to prepare a place for them.
4. Thomas and Jesus had a discussion.
5. Jesus' answer to Thomas.

APPLICATION – Jesus will surely come back to this earth, but He will come back to take only those who believe and follow Him.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

How are you preparing to meet Jesus? Discuss.

INVITATION

Accept the Lord Jesus Christ into your life so that the promise He gave the disciples will be yours, too.

CHALLENGE

Continue to trust and abide in the Lord. He is soon coming to take you where He is.

CHAPTER TWO

THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS CHRIST



LESSON 8: THE PARABLE OF THE SOWER

Scripture: Matthew 13: 1–9

Aim: That the child would know that fruit bearing means good conduct.

Memory Verse: John 15: 5

Suggested Song: *Who makes the plants to grow?*

INTRODUCTION

Throw some grains of corn as if you are sowing something and link it to the story.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus told a parable to a crowd.
2. The farmer sowed his seed.
3. Some of the seed fell on the path.
4. Some of the seed fell on the rock.
5. Some of the seed fell on thorns.
6. Some of the seed fell on good soil.

APPLICATION

Some seeds fell on good ground and produced crops. You, who are in Christ, must try to hear God’s Word and practice it to produce good character.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Fruit-bearing involves good character at home, school, playing grounds, etc.

INVITATION

You cannot bear good fruit without Jesus in your heart. All your goodness is like filthy rags before God. It is only Jesus who can save you and make you useful to others. Accept Jesus as your Lord and personal Saviour.

CHALLENGE

You must bear good fruits as a child of God.

LESSON 9

THE PARABLE OF THE WEEDS

Scripture:

Matthew 13:24-30

Aim:

That the child would be careful about his life so that he will be useful

Memory Verse:

1 Corinthians 5:13

Suggested Song:

Be careful little eyes what you see

INTRODUCTION

What would you do if you had a small vegetable garden in which weeds are growing? Interact with the children.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus told a parable about the Kingdom of heaven.
2. Good seeds were sown.
3. The enemy planted bad weeds.
4. The servants' reaction to the weeds.
5. The owner's order to the servants.

APPLICATION

The wheat will be gathered into the barn to be used. Since you belong to Christ, guard your heart against the present evil life which represents the weeds.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Guard against evil advice, bad company, disobedience, etc.

INVITATION

Avoid eternal condemnation by accepting Jesus Christ as your Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Be careful and guard against all evil influences.

LESSON 10

THE PARABLE OF THE HIDDEN TREASURE

Scripture:

Matthew 13: 44-46

Aim:

That the child would value his salvation

Memory Verse:

Matthew 6:20&21

Suggested Song:

What a wonderful treasure

INTRODUCTION

What are some of the valuable minerals hidden under the earth? There is a story about a treasure in the Bible.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus likened the Kingdom of God to a hidden treasure and pearls.
2. A man found the treasure in the field.
3. A merchant found fine pearls.

APPLICATION

The man and the merchant sold everything they owned to get enough money to buy the treasure and the pearls. You must also do well to deny yourself for the sake of the Kingdom of God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You can take the following steps to know Christ better: You must deny yourself of the following: bad friends, watching of pornographic films, etc.

INVITATION

If you want to gain Christ, the precious stone, you must deny yourself, take up the cross of Jesus and follow Him.

CHALLENGE

You must value the salvation God has given you in Christ and walk in it daily.

LESSON 11

THE WISE AND FOOLISH BUILDERS

Scripture:

Luke 6: 46-49

Aim:

That the child would learn to put the Word of God into practice

Memory Verse:

1 Corinthians 3:11

Suggested Song:

My Hope is built on nothing less

INTRODUCTION

Use your song as your introduction

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Two builders built houses.
2. One built on a rock and the other on sand.
3. The rains came down.
4. Jesus commented on the two builders.

APPLICATION

Make every effort to practise the word of God daily as a wise builder so that your life will be stable in Christ.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Build your Christian life on Jesus by praying, reading and studying your Bible, fellowshiping with other Christians, talking to others about Christ, etc.

INVITATION

Receive Jesus Christ as your Saviour and live for Him.

CHALLENGE

Build your life in accordance with the Word of God before the testing time comes.

CHAPTER THREE

OBEDIENCE



LESSON 12

NOAH OBEYS GOD'S COMMAND

Scripture: Genesis 6:1-22

Aim: That the child would learn to take instructions

Memory Verse: 1 Corinthians 15:58

Suggested Songs: *Somewhere in outer space*

INTRODUCTION

Use the colours of the traffic light to illustrate the results of obedience and disobedience in brief.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Men increased on the face of the earth.
2. God was displeased with the actions of man.
3. God planned to wipe away man from the earth.
4. God revealed His plans to Noah, the righteous man.
5. God instructed Noah to build an Ark.
6. God promised to establish a covenant with Noah.

APPLICATION

Noah was regarded as righteous because he obeyed God. You must also do likewise.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You must flee all evil deeds like telling lies, stealing, bad company and advice, etc.

INVITATION

Obedience gives life. Accept Jesus now so that you can be His child. Rev. 3:20.

CHALLENGE

You must obey every godly instruction.

LESSON 13: THE CALL OF ABRAM

Scripture: Genesis 12:1-9

Aim: That the child would learn to listen to God's voice and to act accordingly

Memory Verse: Isaiah 1:19

Suggested Song: *When we walk with the Lord*

INTRODUCTION

Has your father ever given you a difficult assignment? What was your reaction?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. God called and instructed Abram.
2. God promised to prosper Abram.
3. Abram left Haran with his wife and Lot for Canaan.
4. The Lord appeared to Abram.
5. Abram built an altar.

APPLICATION

God has many plans for you. You must listen to His voice and act accordingly, like Abram.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Listen to God's voice through His Word, prayer, parents, teachers, etc.

INVITATION

The Lord Jesus is ready to bless you with the blessings of Abram if only you believe. Accept Him and obey His call now.

CHALLENGE

Make every effort to act on the Word of God just as Abram did, for a better reward.

*At the time of his call, Abraham was known as Abram.

LESSON 14

ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

Scripture:

Genesis 22:1-19

Aim:

That the child would obey his parents

Suggested Song:

Tie n'aye, nkwa bedi w'akyi

Memory Verse:

Ephesians 6:1-3

INTRODUCTION

Have you ever travelled with your father? Where did you travel to? How long did the journey take?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. God's instruction to Abraham.
2. Abraham prepared for the place God showed him.
3. Abraham left the servants on the way.
4. Abraham and Isaac journeyed to Moriah.
5. Isaac's question to his father and his father's reply.
6. Abraham prepared Isaac to be sacrificed.
7. An angel of the Lord called Abraham.
8. Abraham was blessed by the Lord.
9. Abraham and Isaac returned to Beersheba.

APPLICATION

Our Christian parents obey the Lord. You must also obey them as a command from God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Be obedient to your parents when sent on errands or asked to do difficult tasks alone.

INVITATION

Without Christ Jesus in you, you cannot believe and obey your parents or the elderly. Accept the Lord Jesus now and He will enable you to be obedient.

CHALLENGE – You must continue to obey the Lord even in times of difficulty.

LESSON 15: THE CALL OF LEVI
(Matthew)

Scripture: Mark 2:13-17

Aim: That the child would leave everything
and follow Jesus Christ

Memory Verse: Romans 16:19

Suggested Song: *We are going to heaven to enjoy*

INTRODUCTION

Talk about the work of a tax collector.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus taught a crowd at the lakeside.
2. Jesus called Levi, son of Alphaeus.
3. Jesus dined with Levi and other tax collectors.
4. The Pharisees questioned Jesus.
5. Jesus replied the Pharisees.

APPLICATION

You must leave everything and follow Jesus Christ just like
Levi did.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Mention some of the things you can leave in order to follow Christ; e.g. football, too much time browsing the internet, free night calls, etc.

INVITATION

Without believing in Christ you cannot follow Him. Accept Him now and begin a new life.

CHALLENGE

Now that Jesus lives in you, continue to enjoy a better relationship with Him everyday.

CHAPTER FOUR

THE CHURCH



LESSON 16: SAMUEL IN THE TEMPLE

Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-21

Aim: That the child would be humble to serve God

Memory Verse: John 10:27

Suggested Song: *Day by day dear Lord of these three things I pray*

INTRODUCTION

Mention some duties children can perform in the Church

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The boy Samuel ministered in the temple.
2. God called Samuel.
3. Samuel went to Eli three times.
4. God spoke to Samuel.

APPLICATION

Samuel was humble so God spoke to him. You must also be humble in serving God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Humble yourself to God, your parents, elders and teachers.

INVITATION

It will be difficult to be humble without knowing Christ. Accept Jesus as your Saviour so that you can be humble.

CHALLENGE

Continue to humble yourself so that God can have an effective relationship with you.

LESSON 17: EZRA READS THE LAW

Scripture: Nehemiah 8:1-12

Aim: That the child would be encouraged to read, practise and spread the Word of God.

Memory Verse: Ezra 7:10

Suggested Song: *Read your Bible, pray everyday....
if you want to grow.*

INTRODUCTION

Allow two children to read one of their favourite Bible stories

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The people of Israel assembled.
2. Ezra the scribe read the law.
3. The people mourned and wept while listening.
4. Nehemiah and the leaders asked the people not to weep.
5. The Levites calmed all the people.
6. The people went away to enjoy themselves.

APPLICATION

You have to pay attention to the reading and study of the Word of God just as Ezra and the people did.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Read, listen and practice the Word of God.

INVITATION

You cannot practise God's Word if you do not believe in Jesus. Accept Him.

CHALLENGE – Make it your duty to read and practise the word of God daily.

LESSON 18: JESUS CLEANSSES THE TEMPLE

Scripture: Mathew 21:12-17

Aim: That the child would appreciate the discipline of Jesus

Memory Verse: Hebrews 12:11

Suggested Song: *Know ye not, know ye not, you are the temple*

INTRODUCTION

What do we do at market places? Let the children describe a market scene and link it with the story.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus was at the temple.
2. Jesus overturned tables of traders.
3. Jesus declared what God's house was to be used for.
4. The chief priest protested against Jesus' action.

APPLICATION

You must submit yourself to discipline.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

When you do the wrong thing and you are put right submit yourself to discipline; e.g. ,when you are late to school.

INVITATION

Receive the Lord Jesus Christ into your heart and you will appreciate discipline from Him.

CHALLENGE

You must always be ready for the discipline of God because your body is the temple of His Spirit.

LESSON 19: THE CHOOSING OF THE SEVEN DEACONS

Scripture: Acts 6: 1-7

Aim: To teach the child to be ready to serve in the house of God

Memory Verse: Colossians 3:23&24

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

INTRODUCTION

What are some of the qualities of a class prefect? Let us now see what happened in the Bible.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The increase in the number of disciples.
2. The complaint of the Grecian Jews.
3. The reaction of the Apostles to the complaint.
4. The Word of God spread.

APPLICATION

Be prepared to serve always in the house of God just as the seven Deacons did.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Be prepared to serve everywhere you are called upon to; e.g. sweeping in Church, playing the tambourine, singing, etc.

INVITATION

Accept Jesus into your heart so that you can serve God faithfully.

CHALLENGE

Your services to God and others will never be in vain so be bold and steadfast always. Don't let anybody discourage you.

CHAPTER FIVE

PRAYER



LESSON 20: HANNAH'S PRAYER IN THE TEMPLE

Scripture: 1 Samuel 1:1-17

Aim: To help the child direct his/her needs to God

Memory Verse: Psalm 34:6

Suggested Song: *He is a miracle - working God*

INTRODUCTION

Ann was eleven years and the only child of her parents. She learnt from Sunday school that all needs should be directed to God in prayer. She started serious prayer on her mother's behalf. God heard her prayers. Later, her mother gave birth to a nice baby boy. There were tears of joy for what Jesus did.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Hannah had no child.
2. Hannah wept and prayed to the Lord.
3. Hannah's promise to the Lord.
4. Eli's prophecy to Hannah.
5. Hannah fulfilled her promise.

APPLICATION

Hannah trusted God and directed all her needs to Him. You must also look to God for all your needs.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Direct your present and future needs to God; e.g., school fees, clothing, food, money, etc.

INVITATION

Believe and receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour so that you can direct your prayers to Him.

CHALLENGE

Pray at all times for your needs to be met. (Philippians 4:16).

LESSON 21: ESTHER'S PRAYER (FASTING AND INTERCESSION)

Scripture: Esther 4:15-17, 5:1-8

Aim: To teach the child that God responds to prayer

Memory Verse: Psalm 28:1

Suggested Song: *He is able, abundantly able*

INTRODUCTION

Let the whole class stand up and offer a congregational prayer for the nation.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Esther sent word to Mordecai.
2. Mordecai carried out Esther's instruction.
3. Esther fasted with her maids.
4. Esther went to the King.

APPLICATION

Esther fasted and prayed with her people. You must also learn to do likewise.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Pray for yourself, family, nation, etc and God will answer your prayer.

INVITATION

Accept the Lord Jesus to be a child of God and He will answer your prayer.

CHALLENGE

This week, Jesus wants you to pray for your family, friends, teachers and Church.

LESSON 22: A FRIEND AT MIDNIGHT

Scripture: Luke 11:5-13

Aim: That the child would pray constantly for his/her specific needs

Memory Verse: Luke 11:9

Suggested Song: *What a friend we have in Jesus*

INTRODUCTION

The basic necessities of life are food, clothing and shelter. How do you get these things as a child?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. A friend called at midnight.
2. He requested three loaves of bread from his friend.
3. His friend refused her request.
4. The friend continued to ask.
5. The request was granted.
6. Jesus' final remarks.

APPLICATION

The friend in the scripture continued to ask till he received what he needed. You should also continue to pray until you receive the answer.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Be ready to put your needs constantly before God. These may include clothing, shoes, books, food, etc.

INVITATION

God will answer your prayer if you receive Jesus as your Lord and Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Don't give up when you put your request before the Lord for in due time you will receive the answers.

LESSON 23

THE PERSISTENT WIDOW

Scripture:

Luke 18:1-8

Aim:

To encourage the child to pray always

Memory Verse:

1 Thessalonians 5: 17

Suggested Song:

Whisper a prayer in the morning

INTRODUCTION

Give a demonstration of someone in prayer

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus spoke about a certain Judge.
2. A widow pleads with the Judge for justice.
3. The judge's response.
4. Jesus' remarks.

APPLICATION

The widow persisted in her plea with the Judge and got the desired result. You must also pray always without giving up.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

When sick, pray for healing; when studying, pray always for wisdom; and when in need, pray for help.

INVITATION

God will not listen to your prayer if you don't accept Jesus as your personal Saviour. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

Go before God in prayer always and He will answer you.

LESSON 24: THE PHARISEE AND THE
PUBLICAN'S PRAYER

Scripture: Luke 18: 10-14

Aim: To teach the child the right attitude
to prayer

Memory Verse: Proverbs 15:8

Suggested Song: *Nyame betie yen mpaebo*

INTRODUCTION

Where do people pray? How do they pray? Call three children
to demonstrate.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Two men went to the temple to pray.
2. The Pharisee prayed about himself.
3. The tax collector pleaded for mercy because he was a
sinner.
4. The tax collector went home justified before God.

APPLICATION

Your attitude to prayer must be a humble one just like the tax
collector's.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Pray to God with a pure mind, in humility and in faith.

INVITATION

Accept Jesus as your Lord and Personal Saviour and you will have the right attitude to prayer.

CHALLENGE

Continue to pray in the fear of God and in all reverence.

LESSON 25: THE CRIPPLE AT THE BEAUTIFUL GATE

Scripture: Acts 3: 1-10

Aim: To let the child know and believe that praying in the name of Jesus can do all things.

Memory Verse: Mark 16:17

Suggested Song: *I have a very big God*

INTRODUCTION

Close your eyes and sing; “*In the name of Jesus we have the victory.*”

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Peter and John went to pray.
2. The cripple asked them for alms.
3. Peter and John responded.
4. The cripple was healed.

APPLICATION

Peter and John prayed in the name of Jesus. You must also believe and always pray in the name of Jesus.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Pray in the name of Jesus during examinations, when travelling, for your sick family members and everybody, etc.

INVITATION

There is power in the name of Jesus for those who believe. Believe in and accept the Lord Jesus today.

CHALLENGE

Pray in the name of Jesus for someone in need this week.

LESSON 26: PAUL AND SILAS IN PRISON

Scripture: Acts 16:16-26

Aim: To help the child understand that prayer changes difficult situations

Memory Verse: Ephesians 6:18

Suggested Song: *Prayer is the key*

INTRODUCTION

Joe was accused falsely of stealing. He prayed together with his Christian friends and the money was found.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Paul and Silas met a slave girl.
2. Paul commanded the bad spirit out of the girl.
3. Paul and Silas were put in prison.
4. At midnight Paul and Silas prayed and sang to the Lord.
5. The prison doors opened.

APPLICATION

Paul and Silas prayed and sang while in difficulty so pray always even when you are in a difficult situation.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Pray in all difficult situations; e.g. during exams, when sick, e.g., when falsely accused, etc.

INVITATION

You can have the courage to pray if you accept Jesus into your life. Give your life to Jesus now.

CHALLENGE

Be consistent in prayer.

CHAPTER SIX

THE MIRACLES OF JESUS CHRIST



LESSON 27: JESUS WALKS ON THE SEA

Scripture: Matthew 14:22-33

Aim: To teach the child that Jesus has authority over everything He created

Memory Verse: Jeremiah 32:17

Suggested Song: *Today, today, Jesus will do wonders*

INTRODUCTION

Who has been to the seashore before? What did you see?
Discuss.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The disciples went to Capernaum in the evening by boat.
2. Jesus had not yet joined them.
3. The waters were rough.
4. Jesus walked on the water.
5. The disciples were terrified.
6. Jesus asked Peter to come.
7. The disciples worshipped Jesus.

APPLICATION

Jesus has power over all things He created. Trust in Him, for with Him all things are possible.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

The teacher should give a life testimony recall any incident in the Church when the power of Jesus was displayed.

INVITATION

You must accept Jesus as your personal Saviour and you will have power over all things.

CHALLENGE

The Lord will be your helper at the exact time of your need. God will always be there to save you.

LESSON 28: JESUS HEALS THE DEMON-POSSESSED MAN

Scripture: Mark 5:1-20

Aim: To teach the child that Jesus has power over all evil forces.

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 10:4

Suggested Song: *Jesus my only friend*

INTRODUCTION

Someone should act like an abnormal person.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus and the disciples crossed to the Gerasenes.
2. A man with evil spirits came from the tomb to meet them.
3. He saw Jesus and ran and fell before Him.
4. He confessed the authority of Jesus.
5. The demons begged Jesus.
6. The evil spirits came out and entered a herd of pigs.
7. The possessed man was healed.
8. He went and witnessed about Jesus.

APPLICATION

Jesus cast out the evil spirits from the man and the man became normal. He is able to deliver you too.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

What makes you fight always? What makes you steal often?
What makes you do evil?

INVITATION

There are many people with bad habits in our days. Accept Jesus into your life and you will be free from such bad habits.

CHALLENGE

Continue to trust the Lord Jesus Christ and never give opportunity to evil habits in your life.

LESSON 29: JESUS HEALS THE WOMAN WITH THE ISSUE OF BLOOD

Scripture: Mark 5:21-34

Aim: To teach the child that Jesus can heal all diseases.

Memory Verse: Mark 5:34

Suggested Song: *I am the Lord, that healeth thee*

INTRODUCTION

What do you do when you are sick and cannot go to school? There was a woman who knew what to do in our Bible story for today.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Report of Jairus' daughter dying.
2. Jesus went with Jairus, followed by a crowd.
3. A woman suffering for twelve years was among the crowd.
4. She exercised faith and touched Jesus.
5. She was healed.

APPLICATION

The woman with the blood problem believed that just touching the hem of Jesus' cloth could heal her and it did. Trust Jesus to heal you when are sick.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Discuss the types of diseases that can attack children. (Note: Pray for the sick in the class if any).

INVITATION

Some diseases are the results of sin. Repent and accept the Lord Jesus. He will forgive and heal you.

CHALLENGE

Now that the Lord Jesus Christ dwells in you, exercise your faith in Him when you are sick, just as the woman in our story did.

LESSON 30: THE DRAUGHT OF FISH

Scripture:: Luke 5:1-11

Aim: That the child would learn to listen to instructions in times of difficulty.

Memory Verse: Luke 5:5

Suggested Song: *Peter, James and John in the sailing boat*

INTRODUCTION

Is it easy to obey the instructions of your parents when your needs are not met? Some people found themselves in such a situation; let us find out what happened

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus taught at lake Gennesaret.
2. Jesus instructed Simeon.
3. Simeon obeyed Jesus.
4. They caught a large number of fish and the net began to break.
5. The fishermen signaled to their partners for help.
6. Simeon fell on his knees and admitted his sin to the Lord Jesus.
7. Everyone was surprised at their catch of fish.

8. Jesus asked the men not to fear, for from then on they would catch men.
9. They left everything and followed Him.

APPLICATION

Learn to submit to God and obey all that He instructs you to do as the disciples did.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Listen to the instructions of your parents when you are hungry, when you face difficulties in life and when you are asked to perform a difficult tasks.

INVITATION

You need to submit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ by accepting that you are a sinner. You can pray now and invite him into your heart.

CHALLENGE

The fishermen committed their lives completely to the Lord Jesus Christ. You can remain in God only if you continually commit all that you have to Him - Psalm 37:5-6.

LESSON 31: JESUS HEALS TEN MEN OF
LEPROSY

Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Aim: To teach the child to show gratitude
to people who help him / her.

Memory Verse: Jeremiah 30:17

Suggested Song: *Thank you Jesus, thank you Jesus*

INTRODUCTION

Explain to the children who a leper is.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus travelled between Samaria and Galilee on His way to Jerusalem.
2. Ten men with leprosy met Him on His way to a village.
3. They called to Jesus from afar to have pity on them.
4. Jesus asked them to go and show themselves to the priests.
5. They got healed on their way.
6. Only one returned to thank Jesus.

APPLICATION

The healed leper returned to thank the Lord Jesus. You should also learn to thank God and people for any good thing they do for you.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Be thankful to God, parents, teachers and neighbours.

INVITATION

Pray and let the Lord Jesus come into your life. You can only get a grateful heart by surrendering your life to Christ – (Rev. 3:20).

CHALLENGE

Be grateful to God and others who help you.

LESSON 32: JESUS HEALS THE MAN
BORN BLIND

Scripture: John 9:1-12

Aim: To teach the child that God can change his/her hopeless situation to glorify His name.

Memory Verse: Jeremiah 17:14

Suggested Song: *Everywhere He went, He was doing good.*

INTRODUCTION

Imitate a blind person on the street begging.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus saw a man blind from birth.
2. The disciples asked Jesus who caused the man's blindness.
3. Jesus responded.
4. Jesus spat on the ground, mixed the saliva with mud and applied it to the man's eyes.
5. The blind man went and washed in the pool of Siloam.
6. He received his sight.

APPLICATION

Jesus has the power to change your hopeless situation to one of joy so as to glorify His name.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Discuss a few hopeless situations and what God can do about them.

INVITATION

Believe and accept Jesus today for Him to change your situation to glorify His name.

CHALLENGE

Are you sometimes depressed and life seems dark to you? Continue to trust Jesus to keep your way bright everyday.

LESSON 33: JESUS RAISES LAZARUS
FROM THE DEAD

Scripture: John 11: 1-44

Aim: To teach the child that with the Lord Jesus Christ in his / her life, he / she must not give up.

Memory Verse: John 11:25

Suggested Song: *He will do it again*

INTRODUCTION

Have you ever felt like giving up? Perhaps you hoped for something good, which you never received. What you seemed to fear came upon you. The ladies in our Bible story today might have had those same thoughts.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Lazarus became sick; his sisters sent for Jesus.
2. Jesus delayed for three days.
3. Jesus knew Lazarus was dead but had a solution.
4. The mourners tried to comfort Mary and Martha.
5. Martha met Jesus immediately on His arrival.
6. Martha called Mary to come and see Jesus.
7. Jesus wept on seeing people mourning.

8. Jesus commanded the stone to be removed.
9. Jesus promised God's glory.
10. Jesus prayed for Lazarus to come back to life.
11. Lazarus came back to life.

APPLICATION

God is never late in attending to your needs. Just as Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, He can help you in times of need if only you pray and never give up.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Let the children talk about real difficult life problems they are experiencing.

INVITATION

The greatest miracle to happen in your life is to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as your Saviour. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

What can you do when you face a difficult situation in life? Put your trust in God and pray fervently, never give up Romans 12:12.

CHAPTER SEVEN

GIVING



LESSON 34: ABRAHAM MEETS
MELCHIZEDEK

Scripture: Genesis 14:1-20

Aim: That the child would have knowledge
of tithing

Memory Verse: Matthew 23:23

Suggested Song: *Tow w'abodoo, gu nsu n'ani*

INTRODUCTION

Explain briefly what tithing is.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Lot was captured by four kings.
2. Abraham was informed about the captivity of his nephew.
3. Abraham and his men attacked in the night.
4. Abraham rescued Lot and recovered the goods that were taken.
5. Abraham met Melchizedek when returning.
6. Melchizedek gave Abraham bread and wine and blessed him.
7. Abraham gave him a tenth of everything he had.

APPLICATION

Abraham gave one tenth of his wealth to God. So must you also pay tithes to God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You must pay your tithes on all money received from your parents, friends and family members, etc.

INVITATION

Accept the Lord into your heart and begin to honour Him with your substance.

CHALLENGE

Every child of God must give a tenth of all that he receives to God and he will be blessed.

LESSON 35: ABRAHAM OFFERS ISAAC

Scripture: Genesis 22:1-19

Aim: To teach the child to give sacrificially

Memory Verse: Romans 12:1

Suggested Song: *The Great Provider*

INTRODUCTION

How do you react when you are asked to part with something you treasure most? Interact with the children

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Abraham was tested to offer his son as a sacrifice.
2. Abraham obeyed God's demand.
3. Abraham got ready to sacrifice Isaac.
4. God provided His own sacrificial lamb.

APPLICATION

Abraham was willing to sacrifice his only son. You as a child of God should be prepared to sacrifice when the need arises.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Be prepared to sacrifice your time, talent, treasure, etc.

INVITATION

Jesus offered Himself as the best sacrifice. Believe in Him and you will be saved. Act 16:31

CHALLENGE

Are you sacrificing your time, talent and treasure in obedience to God's Word? If you are not, you must start now.

LESSON 36: BUILDING OF THE
TABERNACLE

Scripture: Exodus 35: 4 - 29

Aim: That the child would learn to give
generously to God

Memory Verse: Galatians 6:9

Suggested Song: *Building up the temple*

INTRODUCTION

What are some of the materials needed for Church building?
Who provides them?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. God commanded the people to build.
2. Artisans contributed.
3. Men and women of willing hearts gave.
4. Rulers and children also gave.
5. All the materials needed for the building were supplied.

APPLICATION

You can also give what you have in support of God's work
just as the people gave willingly and in abundance.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Discuss what you can give to help God's work.

INVITATION

Christ gave His life for you so that you will be saved. Believe and accept Him so that you can also give to help God's work.

CHALLENGE

Be ready to give generously in support of God's work.

LESSON 37

THE WIDOW OF ZAREPHATH

Scripture:

I Kings 17:7-16

Aim:

That the child would learn to give in times of scarcity

Memory Verse:

II Corinthians 9:7

Suggested Song:

Mɛyɛ sɛ obaa okunafo no na
m' adi nkunim

INTRODUCTION

How do you treat strangers who visit your home?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Elijah was directed by God to go to Zarephath.
2. Elijah asked for water and food from the widow.
3. The widow granted Elijah's request.
4. The widow was blessed miraculously.

APPLICATION

The widow obeyed the man of God at a time of scarce resources. You must also be prepared to give from the little that you have.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Discuss how you can give in times of scarcity.

INVITATION

Your most important need has been given through Jesus Christ. He took away your sins. Believe and accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

It is good to give regardless of how much you have.

LESSON 38: THE WISE MEN FROM THE EAST

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12

Aim: That the child would know that giving is a form of worship

Memory Verse: Matthew 2:11(b)

Suggested Song: *In the bleak mid winter*

INTRODUCTION

What sort of gifts are normally given at Christmas?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Wise men from the East came to Jerusalem.
2. King Herod was disturbed by the news of Jesus' birth.
3. Herod's secret plan.
4. The star led the wise men to the baby Jesus.
5. They worshipped the baby Jesus and presented gifts to Him.
6. The wise men went home by a different way.

APPLICATION

The wise men gave gifts as a form of worship so you must also practise the act of giving.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Mention the various ways by which we can worship God.

INVITATION

You can only have a joyful worship in your heart when you accept the Lord Jesus Christ into your life. Today is the day of salvation.

CHALLENGE

In your service to God and people, you must try to give your best.

LESSON 39: THE WIDOW'S OFFERING

Scripture: Mark 12:41- 44

Aim: That the child would learn to give wholeheartedly to the Lord

Memory Verse: John 3:16

Suggested Song: *In my life Lord be glorified*

INTRODUCTION

Give your own suitable introduction. Avoid direct approach.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Jesus sat by the offering box and watched how people gave.
2. The crowd gave their money.
3. The rich gave much money.
4. The widow gave the little that she had and was commended by Jesus.

APPLICATION

The widow gave wholeheartedly, so you must also give what you have willingly.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Your willingness to give wholeheartedly must include your help to others, serving the needy and giving at Church.

INVITATION

You must invite Jesus into your heart so that you can also give cheerfully.

CHALLENGE

You must give cheerfully.

LESSON 40: JESUS FEEDS THE
MULTITUDE

Scripture: John 6:1-13

Aim: To teach the child to give whatever
he has freely and willingly

Memory Verse: Luke 6:38

Suggested Song: *Tow w'abodoo, gu nsu n' ani*

INTRODUCTION

Phil shared his food freely with his hungry brothers and sisters when the need arose. Can you do the same?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. So many people followed Jesus.
2. Jesus was moved with compassion to feed the people.
3. Jesus asked the disciples to find food for the people.
4. A boy was found with five loaves of bread and two fishes.
5. Jesus blessed the food and fed the people.

APPLICATION

If you give like what the little boy did in the story, God will use you to bless others.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

What do you have that God can use to bless others? Discuss.

INVITATION

When Jesus comes into your heart you will be able to give willingly. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

Surrender the little you have daily to God. He will use you as a channel of blessing to many.

CHAPTER EIGHT

LIFE OF DAVID



LESSON 41

DAVID ANOINTED AS KING

Scripture:

I Samuel 16:1-13

Aim:

To teach the child to live right with God

Memory Verse:

Acts 10:34-35

Suggested Song:

Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me

INTRODUCTION

Demonstrate the ordination of an officer in the church.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. God rejected Saul as King
2. God sent Samuel to Jesse's house
3. God refused David's senior brothers
4. Jesse sent for David
5. Samuel anointed David
6. The Spirit of the Lord came upon David

APPLICATION

David lived right with God and He lifted him from the sheepfold to the throne. You must also learn to live right with God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Live right with God and set an example for others in speech, character, actions, etc.

INVITATION

Allow Jesus to live in your heart by accepting Him as your Saviour.

CHALLENGE

Jesus knows all you do, so serve Him with Godly fear.

LESSON 42: DAVID THE SHEPHERD BOY

Scripture: I Samuel 17: 12-15; 34-37

Aim: To teach the child to serve
everybody

Memory Verse: Matthew 20:26

Suggested Song: *Nyame adwuma yɛ dɛ*

INTRODUCTION

Lead the class to recite Psalm 23:1-6

LIST OF EVENTS

1. David's family and their occupation.
2. David kept his father's flock.
3. David's courage on the field.

APPLICATION

David served his parents so you should also be willing to serve.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Serve by helping with the work at home, school, church, etc.

INVITATION

Accept the Lord Jesus into your heart so that you can serve God and others meaningfully.

CHALLENGE – As a child of God you must serve wholeheartedly.

LESSON 43: DAVID AND GOLIATH

Scripture: 1 Samuel 17: 17-51

Aim: To teach the child to rely on God
for success

Memory Verse: 1 Samuel 17:45

Suggested Song: *Stay in the field*

INTRODUCTION

Demonstrate the way a boxer fights.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The Israelites went to battle against the Philistines
2. David was sent with food for his brothers
3. Goliath's continual insults
4. David's discussion with King Saul
5. David confronted Goliath and killed him
6. The Philistines ran away

APPLICATION

David relied on God and was successful. You too must rely on Him.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Rely on God during your examination, sickness, financial difficulty, etc.

INVITATION

You can properly rely on God if you believe and accept Christ.

CHALLENGE

Be bold and rely on God in all things.

LESSON 44: GOD'S CARE FOR DAVID

Scripture: I Samuel 18:6-16

Aim: That the child would know that God makes a way of escape for those who rely on Him.

Memory Verse: Psalm 91:1-2

Suggested Song: *Nyame d4 ne mma*

INTRODUCTION

Review – David and Goliath story.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Women sang in praise of David.
2. Saul's anger against David.
3. David escaped from Saul's anger.
4. God was with David.

APPLICATION

God cared for David because David relied on Him. You can be sure God will care for you if you rely on Him.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Rely on God in whatever you do at home, school, etc.

INVITATION

Accept Christ as your Saviour and He will care for you.

CHALLENGE

Continue to rely on God for Him to care for you in all situations.

LESSON 45: DAVID BECOMES KING OVER
ISRAEL

Scripture: II Samuel 5: 1-10

Aim: To teach the child to learn to wait
for God's appointed time

Memory Verse: Habakkuk 2:3

Suggested Song: *In His time He makes all things
beautiful*

INTRODUCTION

Demonstrate the outdooing of a king.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The tribe of Israel visited David.
2. David is anointed King at Hebron.
3. David's reign.
4. The tribe of Judah remembered David.
5. David captured the Jebusites.
6. David built a fortified city.

APPLICATION

David waited for the right time to be enthroned as king. You must also learn to wait for God's appointed time.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Be patient, when you need food, money, clothing, etc.

INVITATION

Believe and accept Jesus as King of kings to reign in your life.

CHALLENGE

Wait for God's appointed time and you will succeed in life.

CHAPTER NINE

MISSIONS



LESSON 46: A JEWISH MAID WITNESSES
TO NAAMAN

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Aim: That the child would be bold in sharing
the word of God

Memory Verse: Romans 1:16

Suggested song: *Go tell it on the mountains/Stop
and let me tell you.*

INTRODUCTION

Introduce the wordless book and explain how it can be used
in witnessing.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Naaman suffered from leprosy.
2. The Israelite maid witnessed to Naaman.
3. Naaman set off for Israel.
4. Naaman at the king's palace.
5. Elisha's directive to Naaman.
6. Naaman healed.

APPLICATION

The Jewish maid witnessed to Naaman. God wants you to be bold in telling others about Christ.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Discuss methods of witnessing using the wordless book, gospel hand, gospel tracts, etc.

INVITATION

Believe and confess Jesus Christ so that you can testify of Him.

CHALLENGE

Use every opportunity to witness for Christ.

LESSON 47: THE MESSAGE OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Scripture: Luke 3:1-20

Aim: That the child would allow himself/herself to be used by the Holy Spirit to witness

Memory Verse: Matthew 3:11

Suggested Song: *No you can't get to Heaven Without;* S-A-L-V-A-T-I-O-N

INTRODUCTION

Call a child to witness to the whole class.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The man John the Baptist – His birth.
2. The lifestyle of John the Baptist.
3. John the Baptist's message.
4. Death of John the Baptist.

APPLICATION

John the Baptist allowed himself to be used by the Holy Spirit to witness. You must also allow yourself to be used by God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Witness about Jesus Christ wherever you go with your mouth, character, substance, etc.

INVITATION

Repent and accept Jesus Christ now. He will make you a fisher of men.

CHALLENGE

Be prepared to be used by the Holy Spirit to save lost souls.

LESSON 48

PHILIP PREACHES IN SAMARIA

Scripture:

Acts 8:4-13

Aim:

That the child would tell others the Good News.

Memory Verse:

Matthew 28:19

Suggested Song:

Stop and let me tell you

INTRODUCTION

Tell the children about a Witness Movement crusade during which many souls were won for Christ with miracles following.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The believers in Jerusalem were persecuted and then scattered after the death of Stephen.
2. Philip preached in Samaria.
3. Signs and wonders were performed and many believed.
4. Simon the magician also believed.

APPLICATION

Philip witnessed in Samaria with signs following. God wants you to tell others the good news.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Tell your friends about Christ through personal evangelism, crusades, rallies, etc.

INVITATION

You can never witness if you do not know the Saviour Jesus Christ who died for you. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

Be ready to talk to someone about Christ and attend crusades and rallies.

LESSON 49: PAUL AND SILAS IN PRISON
AT PHILIPPI

Scripture: Acts 16: 16 – 40

Aim: That the child would witness even in
difficult times

Memory Verse: Acts 16 : 31

Suggested Song: *Doing the work of the Lord*

INTRODUCTION

What is personal evangelism? Why should we engage in it?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Paul and Silas at Philippi.
2. The encounter with the girl with an evil spirit.
3. The action of the owners of the slave girl who had the evil spirit.
4. Paul and Silas in prison.
5. The jailer and his household believed and were baptised.
6. Paul and Silas released from prison.

APPLICATION

Paul and Silas took the opportunity to witness to the jailer while they were in trouble.

You can also do the same.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

You can bring others to Jesus even when you are teased.

INVITATION

Repent of your sins and come to Jesus so that you can tell others about Him.

CHALLENGE

Make every effort to tell others about Jesus Christ, no matter the challenges.

ASSIGNMENT

Go out to your neighbours and talk to two of them about Christ. You may use the Wordless Book or any other method

LESSON 50

PAUL'S MISSION TO ATHENS

Scripture:

Acts 17:16-34

Aim:

That the child would learn to witness in whatever situation he finds himself.

Memory Verse:

Acts 17:30

Suggested Song:

*Wommo dawuro nkodu asaase
ano*

INTRODUCTIO

Revise the lesson on the Jewish maid and Naaman.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. Paul waited for Silas and Timothy in Athens.
2. Paul appeared before the Elders of Athens.
3. Paul spoke about the unknown God.
4. The confession: some believed in Jesus while others did not.
5. Paul departed from Athens to Corinth.

APPLICATION

Paul made the effort to witness in spite of his situation. You must try your best to tell others about Jesus Christ in every situation.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

In the midst of ridicule and other challenges, tell others about Jesus.

INVITATION

Receive Jesus today so that He will give you power to witness about Him.

CHALLENGE

Make every effort everyday to witness in all circumstances

CHAPTER TEN

HEAVEN AND HELL



LESSON 51: ENOCH TAKEN TO HEAVEN

Scripture: Genesis 5: 18-24

Aim: That the child would walk with God in holiness in this sinful world

Memory Verse: I Peter 2:11

Suggested Song: *We are going to Heaven to enjoy*

INTRODUCTION

Discuss heaven in brief and link it to the story. Where is heaven? What will you see in heaven? Which people go there?

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The genealogy of Enoch from Adam.
2. Enoch walked with God.
3. Enoch was taken to heaven.

APPLICATION

Enoch walked with the Lord and it pleased the Lord to take Enoch to Heaven without him dying. You must endeavour to walk with God.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

Walking with God means;

- a) reading and practising the word.
- b) praying continually.
- c) having fellowship with other believers.
- d) telling others about Christ.

INVITATION

You can only walk with God if you have Jesus Christ in your heart. Accept Him into your heart now.

CHALLENGE

Resolve to walk with God in this sinful world.

LESSON 52

ELIJAH TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN

Scripture:

II Kings 2:1-12

Aim:

That the child would be prepared
for Heaven

Memory Verse:

John 14:1-2

Suggested Song:

Heaven is a happy place

INTRODUCTION

Review Enoch's story.

LIST OF EVENTS

1. The Lord's plan to take Elijah to Heaven.
2. Elisha vowed to accompany Elijah.
3. Elijah and Elisha crossed River Jordan.
4. Elisha's request.
5. Elijah gave Elisha a condition.
6. Elijah was taken up to Heaven.

APPLICATION

Elijah prepared and was taken up to heaven by God. You must be prepared for Jesus' second coming.

ACTUAL EXAMPLES

- a) You must be prepared by repenting of your sin
- b) You must be prepared by living a holy life
- c) You must be prepared by being filled with the Holy Spirit and witnessing for the Lord.

INVITATION

You cannot go to Heaven without accepting Jesus as your Saviour. Accept Him now.

CHALLENGE

Are you prepared for the coming of the Lord?

LESSON 53: THE RICH MAN AND LAZARUS

Scripture: Luke 16: 19-31

Aim: That the child would learn to love the things of God rather than things of the world

Memory Verse: I John 2:15

Suggested Song: *Yebedi dIw bi dabi*

INTRODUCTION

Mention the characteristics of a rich man.

LIST OF EVENTS:

1. The lifestyle of the rich man and the poor man Lazarus.
2. The death and burial of both Lazarus and the rich man.
3. The conversation between Abraham and the rich man.
4. The rich man's final request and Abraham's reply.

APPLICATION

Lazarus loved the things of God and went to Heaven. The rich man loved the things of the world and went to hell. You must love the things of God just like Lazarus.

ACTUAL EXAMPLE

Always do the things of God such as attending church Service and praying always, doing good all the time and giving to the needy.

INVITATION

You can love Jesus if you believe in Him. Ask Him to come into your heart today.

CHALLENGE

Continue to love the things of God in all circumstances.

CHAPTER ELEVEN

TENETS OF THE CHURCH

Lesson 54: The Bible

We believe in the divine inspiration and authority of the Holy Bible. We believe that the Bible is infallible in its declaration, final in its authority, all sufficient in its provisions and comprehensive in its sufficiency (2Tim. 3:16; 2Pet. 1:21).

Lesson 55: The One True God

We believe in the existence of the One True God, Elohim, maker of the whole universe; indefinable, but revealed as Triune God-Father, Son and Holy Spirit. One in nature, essence and attributes; Omniscient, Omnipotent and Omnipresent (Gen. 1:1; Matt. 3:16-17; 2 Cor. 13:14).

Lesson 56: Man's Depraved Nature

We believe that; "all men have sinned and come short of the glory of God"; and are subject to eternal punishment; and need repentance and regeneration (Gen. 3:1-19; Isaiah 53:6).

Lesson 57: The Saviour

We believe that man needs a Saviour. This need has been met in the person of Jesus Christ for the following reasons: His deity, virgin birth, sinless life, atoning death, resurrection and ascension; also His abiding intercession and second coming to judge the living and the dead (Mat. 1:21; Jn. 4:42; Eph. 5:23; Phil. 2:6-11).

Lesson 58: Repentance, Regeneration, Justification and Sanctification

We believe all men have to repent of and confess their sins before God and believe in the vicarious death of Jesus Christ to be justified before God. We believe in the sanctification of the believer through the working of the Holy Spirit and in God's gift of Eternal Life to the believer (Lk. 15:7; Acts 2:38; Rom. 4:25, 5:16; 1 Cor. 1:30; 1 Thess. 4:3).

Lesson 59: The Ordinances (Sacraments) of the Church

We believe in the following two ordinances for the Church; Baptism by immersion and Holy Communion – The Lord's Supper. These are commanded by Jesus Christ for His Church (Mat. 28:19-20; Mk. 16:16; Lk. 22:19-20).

Lesson 60: Baptism, Gifts and Fruit of the Holy Spirit

We believe that baptism in the Holy Spirit with tongues as initial evidence is for believers with signs following; also the operation of the gifts and bearing the fruit of Holy Spirit in the lives of believers (Mk. 16:17; Acts 2:4; 1 Cor. 12:8-11; Gal. 5:22-23).

Lesson 61: Divine Healing

We believe that God's will to heal is revealed in the scriptures. However, we do not oppose medication by qualified medical practitioners (2 Kgs. 20:7; Mat. 9:12; Lk.10:34; Col. 4:14).

Lesson 62: Tithes and Offerings

We believe in tithing and in the giving of freewill offerings towards the cause of carrying forward the Kingdom of God. We believe that God blesses a cheerful giver (Gen. 14:18-20; 28:20-22; Mal. 3:6-10; Mat 23:23; Acts 20:35; 1 Cor. 16:1-3; 2 Cor. 9:1-9).

Lesson 63: The Second Coming and the Next Life

We believe in the second coming of Christ and the resurrection of the dead, both the saved, and the unsaved: they that are saved, to the resurrection of life and the unsaved, to the resurrection of damnation (Mk. 13:26; Dan. 12:2; Jn. 5:28-29; Acts 1:11; 10:42; Rom. 2:7-11, 6:23).