

The Jesus Story – 6 – February Let's Go!

The Point: We will Follow Jesus

Storyline: Temptation & Call of Disciples – Matthew 4, Mark 1, Luke 4–6 JSB – Ch. 26 – Let's Go!

Make the Point:

• Fight Satan's lies with the truth

o Come when Jesus Calls

Presentation Ideas:

• Week One: Satan Always Lies

Play the DVD: The Jesus Storybook Bible, Ch. 26 – Let's Go. Replay the "Lie Trap" video from November. Let the children tell what they remember about how Satan's lies are like a spider web. Then talk about what Jesus used to fight Satan's lies: He used the truth.

• Week Two: Fight Satan with the truth

Review the story and talk again about how Jesus fought Satan's lies with the truth from God's word. Read Ephesians 6:11 from your Bible: "Put on the full armor of God that you may be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil." Tell them that the truth of God's word is called the sword of the Spirit. Stage a sword fight between a "Christian" and "the devil." Have the devil tell lies about God, Jesus, Christians, etc. and the Christian answer with the truth from scripture as they battle across the stage. (use swords provided) In the end, the Christian defeats the devil.

• Week Three: Come when Jesus calls

Use fishing nets and info provided to tell about fishing in the first century. Bring your fishing tackle box and show differences today. Review the story of Jesus calling the disciples. Talk about ways we can listen to and follow Jesus today.

• Week Four: Come when Jesus Calls

Review the story of Jesus calling the disciples. Have one team member "be Jesus" by wearing the Bible Times Kafeyah and carrying the large cross. Jesus will call one child to follow him. The child will come in line behind Jesus and call another child to come in line and so on as Jesus leads them around the room. Keep on until all the children are following Jesus.

Communion Idea: Have "Jesus" carry his cross to the stage and tell why he died on the cross for us. Ask Jesus to pray over the Lord's Supper.

Hide it in Your Heart:

"Jesus said, 'I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6. Use scripture posters provided to help children learn the verse. Let kids come up to hold them, mix them up, etc.

Puppets:

Each week, one puppet will help you with intro and close out with Quiet Seat winners. We will have a puppet production the 2nd and 4th weeks. These will be about 5 minutes long and will focus on the application.



Object Lesson: The Lie Trap

The Lie Trap

Play the youtube video of a horse fly fighting the spider. <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?NR=1&v=OS4Cr2GleSA&feature=endscreen</u> Explain that Satan is like that spider. He wants us to listen to his lies instead of God's truth. The web is like the lies – we will get wrapped up and not be able to get out.

Questions:

Was the fly happy? Do you think the fly wishes it had never gotten into the web? Could it ever get out by itself? If you listen to Satan's lies what can happen to you? Who can get you out of Satan's trap? Have you ever lied? Did you end up wishing that you never had? If you do get trapped in a lie, who should you go to for help?

Relevant Scripture

Tell kids that one time Jesus was talking to some people who were listening to the devil's lies. This is what he said: (Read the Scripture from your Bible)

John 8:44 "[Jesus said] You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desire. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies."