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| Date: | 22nd August 2021 |
| Title: | Spread the Word Part 1: The Great Commission |
| Level/Class | J Club |
| Memory verse: | Mark 16:15 (NLT)  … “ Go into the world and preach the Good News to everyone” |
| Bible story: | Matt 28: 19 - 20 |
| Big Idea: | We can teach others to follow Jesus anywhere in the world. |
| Big Point: | People learn about Jesus when I share God’s good news. |
| Learning outcomes: | At the conclusion of this lesson, children will know:   * That is our duty to share the Good News of Jesus to everyone. * That people need to hear the Good News so they have a choice to follow Jesus and be close to God, * We can share Jesus with anyone. |
| Influencers: |  |
| Location: | ICC Newmarket |

**LESSON PLAN (J Club)**

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| 7:45am | Set up and lesson run through (Team Leader) |

Today at a glance

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| Time | Activity | Influencers |
| 8.30 | Check in:   * Prep extra tab for newcomers’ sign up. * Collect kids’ journal and pile them according to their respective classes. |  |
| 9.10 | * Welcome kids and newcomers * Recap the 3Ls (Listen, Learn & Love) |  |
| 9.15 | Worship:  Some suggestions:   1. Go : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZuVMm3EKSss>   Motions -<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aADUKP0s0xo>   1. This is Amazing Grace   <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_N4tcQkwens>  Team leader/Worship leader to decide on 3 songs. |  |
| 9.30 | Thanksgiving |  |

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| 9.35 | Game:  Use this game to teach kids how important it is to support each other as Christians trying to spread the good news about Jesus.  Supplies needed:   * 10 envelopes * Paper to write a note for the number of stickers they will get as prizes * Blue tac   Tell kids the object of the game is to reach the envelopes without the help of furniture or other people.   1. Let kids try to grab the envelopes. Set 20s timer. 2. Once they’ve given up, have them form groups of three and work together to reach. 3. Two kids can form a step by locking their hands together and lifting the third person high enough to reach the prize for all three.   Learning point:  Ask kids to compare their first attempt to reach the prize with their second.  Ask: What ways do you tell your friends about your faith? Why is it important to work together and support each other as Christians? How can you support a friend this week? |  |
| 9.50 | Introduce bible verse: “… Go into the world and preach the Good News to everyone.” – Mark 16:15 (NLT)  Influencer to learn action beforehand.   * Refer to: * <https://open.life.church/items/181291-teaching-segment-mp4> * (Verse actions @ 10:53 – 11:10) * Teach the kids the verse with the actions. * Repeat it a few times with them. |  |
| 10:00 | Lesson video (14 minutes 48 seconds):  Infer before playing the video:  From the memory verse today and the game we played, what do you think the video will be about?  Remind the kids that the bible teaches us a lot of things. It’s one of the ways God uses to guide us to make good choices. Let them know that today, they will hear what Jesus has asked all those who believe him to do.  Lesson Video:  <https://open.life.church/items/181291-teaching-segment-mp4>  Recap/summarise story.   * Jesus before he ascended to heaven, he left a few instructions for his disciples and because we follow Jesus, we are his disciples too. He also gave us the power to make disciples. * Recall the instructions Jesus gave:   1. We must go and make disciples of all nations and teach them to obey everything Jesus has commanded us.  2. We need to spend time with people, teaching them things and praying with them.  3. We need to show the people what God’s love is like.  4. We also need to remember to not be afraid to share the Good News as Jesus is always with us when we tell others about Him.  Therefore, we need to share Jesus every chance we get. Now in these modern times, can you think about other alternatives to share God’s Good News to others other than traveling the world physically? Keep that thought in mind as you may get to share them during your group discussion questions.  Divide kids to smaller groups for discussion. Preferably according to similar age groups. |  |
| 10.30 | Small group discussion.  Facilitators decide in your own way how you would like to present the questions to your group of children. Feel free to look back at previous lessons for ideas.  Group discussion.  Explain that in the discussion that they will be doing, they will look at why, when, who and how to spread God’s Good News.   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Questions | Answers | | What is God’s Good News? | Jesus makes us friends with God when we choose to trust and follow him. | | Whose responsibility is it to share God’s Good News? | Everyone who trusts in and follow Jesus. | | Who gave us the responsibility of sharing God’s Good news? | Jesus | | What is important about sharing God’s Good News? | It obeys God; People need the Good News so they can be forever friends with God, etc | | You might think people around you already follow Jesus. How can you find out if they really do? | Ask them; watch their words, actions and choices; talk about Jesus with them, etc | | What do you think a kid can do to help a trusted adult learn about Jesus? | Answers will vary. | | What do you think you can do to share God’s Good News with them? | Answers will vary. Ideas: text them, write a letter, talk to them, be kind to them, invite them to church, pray for them, etc |   Optional Craft : Create an invitation card inviting a friend to Sunday  Craft items:   * Blank cards * Coloured pen/pencils/crayons * Pretty stickers * Craft items (eg: shiny paper, glitter, etc) * Glue |  |
| 10.40 | Prayer (still in small groups):   * Ask kids to share things they’d like to pray about. * Pray together over their prayer requests.   Pray this too: God, thank you for giving us your Good News. When we share it, please help people to want to follow You. In Jesus’ name, Amen |  |
| 10.45 | Check Out   * Remind the kids about earning their stickers by returning their journal next week with their activities completed. * When a child leaves and if an opportunity presents itself, say something positive and specific to their family. * Encourage families to do the journal activities together. |  |

Prep Work

Game:

Inflatable glove/ball

Craft:

Blank cards, decorative craft items, glue and pretty stickers.

Challenge Card

Print and cut 40 copies for JClub @ Newmarket