



Kids Program

Evangelism: Week 2

Main Point : God asks me to tell others who Jesus is.

MONTHLY WORSHIP SONGS

***I'm not Ashamed by Hillsong, Savior King
Mighty To Save by Hillsong, Mighty to Save***

**Check out our Spotify playlist- <https://www.cedarheights.net/kids-youth/kids-vision>*

Suggested Lesson

Memory Verse : Practice the memory verse with the children. Say one line at a time, showing the children the motion, and then have them repeat after you. After doing it one line at a time, try doing it all together.

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations (Mathew 28:19a)

1. **“Go therefore”** (*Act as if you are running*)
2. **“And make disciples”** (*Point to each other*)
3. **“Of all nations”** (*Create hand motions as if you are giving someone a big hug*)
4. **“Matthew 28:19 a”** (Show all ten fingers twice, then hold up eight fingers)

Bible Story: The Great Commission (*If you have a children's Bible at home we encourage you to use that for infants through kindergarteners instead of the ESV*)

- The Story Bible, The Transfiguration (pp. 345-347)
- Beginner's Bible 2005, Jesus Goes to Heaven (pp466-467)
- ESV Bible, Matthew 28:19-20

Check your understanding: Below are some questions you can ask your kids to help review the story and check their understanding. We encourage you to have your children locate the story in their Bibles!

- What does Jesus tell us to do here? *Go and make disciples/tell others about Him*
- Does Jesus say to only tell a certain number of people or people from a certain place? *No! He says to tell all nations*
- So we should make disciples and what else? *Teach, baptize others*
- What is Jesus' promise to use at the end? *He will be with us always.*

Life Application Questions: Below are some questions helping the kids apply the lesson to their own lives. Also, this is the time when the children can explore how to use their bibles. Make sure to help them turn to the right place so they can use the bible as a guide.

For younger school-aged children:

- Who teaches you about Jesus?
- Jesus says He is always with us! How does that make you feel?
- Is there anyone else who makes that promise to us?
- Is there anyone you know who you wish would come to church?

For older school-aged children:

- What does it mean to you to go and make disciples?
- Who teaches you about Jesus?
- Is there someone in your life that you tell about Jesus, like a friend or younger sibling?
- What does it feel like to know that Jesus is always with you?
- Is there anyone you know who you wish would come to church?

Suggested Activity: *Go and Tell It!*

Materials: Name tags, colored markers

Purpose: Kids will practice telling each other about Jesus and inviting others to church.

Description: Divide your household into two teams on opposite sides of a room. When you say "GO!" they will rush to a person on the opposite side and pair-up. Odd numbered groups can make teams of 3. The children will have 30 seconds (or so, leader discretion) to tell their partner about Jesus, who He is, what church is like, and then invite them. When the leader calls out switch, the partners will switch places, one will be the Inviter and the other will be the Listener. When the leader calls out Switch again, the kids will race back to their beginning spot and the game begins again. Fun, upbeat music can be playing in the background. Following the activity, encourage the children to share what they said or any funny things that happened in the process.

To introduce the activity say:

- God asks us to tell others who Jesus is, and today we are going to practice doing that.
- What kinds of things would you say to someone you were inviting to church?
- Is there anyone here who is really fast? Good! Because this activity will take speed, too.
- First, we need to break into two groups, one on each side of the room.
- When I say "Go!" you are going to run to the opposite side and meet in the middle. You will grab the first partner you see. It's ok if you have a group of 3, but for the most of you should pair up with one other person.
- While the music plays one of you will tell the other about who Jesus is, what He's like, and what church is like. Then, you will invite your partner to church. Since we all go to church, we are going to have to pretend that we don't. Can you do that? Are you good at pretending?
- When I yell "Switch!" the person who was the listener will then tell their partner about Jesus and invite them to church. Then when I yell "Stop!" you will run back to where you started.
- Does that sound good? Are there any questions?

Repeat as time allows. Encourage children to go to different partner each time.

After the activity say:

- Good job!
- Was it easy to think of something to say really quickly? What kinds of things did you say to your partner to tell them about Jesus?
- What did you say when you invited them to church?
- Was it hard to talk really quickly? Do you think it would be easier or harder to invite your friends at school?
- What if your friend already goes to a church, should you invite them anyway?

Summary: God asks us to tell others about Jesus, and to invite our friends who don't have a church to go to. Even though this game was really fast and involved some make-believe, it's still good for us to know what we want to say to our friends and to practice inviting

Prayer

In kids program we end every service with hands on prayer. We highly suggest you do the same at home and ask if any of the children would like prayer. If your children do not want prayer, have them pray for you! Our kids program volunteers are always blessed by how well the Cedar Heights kids pray for them!