

Life and Times of Jesus

Free Sample Lesson: Who Is Jesus?

Christian Concepts for Kids

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This is one free sample lesson from the book Life and Times of Jesus. It includes discussion, craft, indoor activity, and outdoor activity.

Who Is Jesus?

Prior to Discussion

- Have a Bible available and ask for volunteers to read.
- Don't tell the children the name of this Discussion.

Discussion

Say:

- We are going to play a guessing game.
- I will give you some interesting facts about someone, and you tell me whom we will be talking about today.

Continue with the interesting facts, even if the children guess Jesus. Ask who knew the interesting facts about Him.

- When this person was born, He and His family were far away from home.
- Two of His brothers wrote books in the New Testament.
- God gave Him a special mission.
- He was a great teacher who taught about loving God and others.
- He used great stories in His teaching, and His stories had double meanings.
- His dad was a carpenter.
- John the Baptist baptized Him.
- His mom's name was Mary.
- He fed a lot of people with just a little bit of food.
- He healed a lot of people.
- Jesus is His name, and He loves you very much!
- I mentioned that His brothers wrote books in the New Testament.

Ask: Allow time for answers.

- Do you know His two brother's names?

Say:

- Jesus's brother, James, wrote the book of James and His brother Jude wrote the book of Jude.
- I also mentioned that He was a great teacher and taught people with stories that have a double meaning.

Ask: Allow time for answers.

- Do you know what these stories are called?

Say:

- They are called parables, and they help people understand something by comparing it to something with which they are familiar.

Ask: Allow time for answers.

- These facts describe who Jesus was, but can you tell me who He is?

Say:

- An angel proclaimed that He is the Son of God.

Read: Luke 1:35

Say:

- He fulfilled His special mission so we can be saved from our sins and have eternal life with Him.

Read: Romans 10:9-10

Say:

- Jesus loves us and wants to have a relationship with each person in this room.

Read: John 3:16-17

Say:

- Jesus is the sender of the Holy Spirit.
- He said He would send the Holy Spirit here to help us.

Read: John 16:7

Say:

- Jesus loves us so much!
- He is the greatest example of true love!

Ask: Allow time for answers.

- Do you think you can love other people like Jesus did?

Final Thought

Jesus's life was filled with Discussions about His Kingdom and His kind of love. He came to Earth with a mission of salvation for mankind. He also wants a relationship with everyone so they can be part of His Kingdom. We can share Jesus's kind of love with others when we build loving relationships with each person around us. Let's share Jesus's love with at least one person each day this week. They could even become part of His Kingdom!

Craft: “Who Is Jesus?” Posters**Items Needed****General:**

- Tape, Crayons or Markers, Miscellaneous Decorations, Old Magazines, Glue, Construction Paper, Pencils, Erasers, and Scissors

Per Child:

- 1 Sheet of White Paper and 1 Poster Board

Instructions

- Give each child a poster board.
- Each child should write the title “Who Is Jesus?” on their poster.
- They will each decorate their posters with magazine cutouts, drawings, images, and words to show what they know about Jesus.
- Tell them to use the white paper to draw what they want, make changes, and get it as close to perfect as they can.
- When they each know how they are going to design their poster, they will use their white paper drawings as a guide to put their creations on the poster boards.
- When they have finished their posters, each child will tell everyone about their poster.
- Each child will find a special spot on the wall to decorate the room with their poster.

**Indoor Activity: Pay Attention****Items Needed****General:**

- Observations (write down observations of an area, for example: wall color, pictures, type of flooring, decorations, etc.) Don't tell the children.

Per Child:

- 1 Sheet of Paper and 1 Pencil or Pen

Instructions

- Have the children go into the area to observe and tell them to pay attention to the details in the room.
- Give them several minutes to look around.
- Go into a different area where they are not able to see the observation area.
- Give each child a sheet of paper and a pencil or pen.
- Ask the children questions about the area such as:
 - » What color is the wall?
 - » Describe the picture hanging on the wall.
 - » What kind of floor is in the area?
 - » Describe the decorations on the table.
 - » How many lamps are in the area?
- Each child will write down their responses.
- The child with the most correct responses wins the game.

Outdoor Activity: God's Family Tag**Instructions**

- Divide the children into two teams. It is not necessary for the teams to have an equal number of children.
- One team is the Doubter Team and the other is the God's Family Team.
- The goal for God's Family Team is to chase and tag all of the Doubter Team members.
- As the Doubter Team members get tagged, they will become part of the God's Family Team and help tag the Doubters.
- When all of the Doubters are gone, the teams will switch roles; the Doubter Team will then be the God's Family Team and the God's Family Team will then be the Doubter Team.