

Shabbat School Devarim: Nitzavim/Vayeilech "Standing/he walked"

SUBJECT

True Equality

TEACHER

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OVERVIEW: G-D LOVES ALL PEOPLE

TEACHER GUIDE

STUDENT GUIDE

INTRODUCTION "OPENING" 5 MINUTES	Say to them: "Shalom Yeladim" (sha-LOAM Ye-la-DEEM). Invite them to respond: "Shalom Morim!"	Say Shema, Pledge of Allegiance. Query to think about: How many races are there?
IDENTITY: B'NEI ISRAEL/BRIT AHM 5 MINUTES	Hebrew: קָרָא Part of Speech: Verb Transliteration: za`aq Pronunciation: zah-ak' Meaning: assemble, call (together), (make a) cry (out), come with such a company, gather (together), cause to be proclaimed, cried, cry, called together, cries, call, cry aloud, assembled	Is it okay to judge people based on the color of their skin, or hair, or eye color? What criteria does G-D use to call us? Does G-D love some more than others. (hint: What does Yochanan 3:16 tell us?)
IDENTITY: HEARER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Read Portions: Devarim 29:9-30:31 (29:9-12) Yeshayahu 61:10-63:9 (61:1-62:12) extended Romans 9:30-10:13 (10:1-18) Learn our memory verse for the year 5786.>>	Memory Verse: Yeshayahu 41:10 ¹⁰ Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you. Surely I will help you. I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.
IDENTITY: BELIEVER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Ask: How many races did G-D create? (Remember that G-D confused the language at Babel, HE did not create 'new' races of people.)	Discuss: Who does G-D include among HIS people? Who are "those within the camp" then? Now?
IDENTITY: FOLLOWER OF G-D'S WORD	Ask: Based upon these promises, do you want to be among G-D's people?	Discuss: What are the challenges of aligning yourself with G-D?

5 MINUTES		
IDENTITY: DOER OF G-D'S WORD 5 MINUTES	Who we are is largely dependent upon what we do; we choose to be among the people of G-D!	Ask: Who is invited to be part of G-D's Kingdom?
GAME/ACTIVITY	Romans 10:18 coloring sheet?	<<-can we call G-D on the telephone?
HOMEWORK 3 MINUTES	Super Quick Torah Study -Yochanan 3 "Shavua tov, until next week!"	Close with prayer: say out loud what you are grateful for and things you need prayer for today.

NEED

- Bible

Drash:

RESOURCES

- Pledges & Shema
- Shabbat Guide

NOTES

The first goal is to approach all scripture with humility and prayer.

This week's Parsha begins with some of the most meaningful words in the Torah. In Deuteronomy 29:9-12:

⁹“You are standing today, all of you, before Adonai your God—the heads of your tribes, your elders, your officials, all the men of Israel, ¹⁰your children, your wives, and the outsider within your camp (from your woodchopper to your water carrier). ¹¹Each of you is to cross over into the covenant of Adonai your God that He is cutting with you today, and into His oath. ¹²“This is in order to confirm you today as His people. So He will be your God, just as He promised you and just as He swore to your fathers—to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob.

I love these words because it places G-D's feelings for all people in the right perspective. He made a covenant not with the rich or powerful, not with the old and wise, not with the young and strong. He made His covenant with all Israel rich and poor, young and old, from the leadership to the woodchopper. No matter who you are G-D's covenant is exactly the same and equally applied.