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I AM HERE TO SHARE JESUS Kindergarten - 5th grade

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: Peter and John helped a lame man. Acts 3-4

Bottom Line: I can tell my neighbors about Jesus.

Leader Context: The disciples, Peter and John, came across a lame man who asked them for money, but they got to witness Jesus heal him. Not only that, but they were also able to tell everyone around about who Jesus was and why He came. God has strategically put us where we are- our neighborhoods, workplaces, and communities. We can share Jesus with the people He has placed in our lives. Let's work to help kids see they have amazing news to share with people around them.

THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS: Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

Social

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instruction Page, plastic cups, paper plates, tennis balls, painter's tape

What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

Say: That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This

That was an amazing story! Peter and John saw a man who had been lame, or unable to walk, his whole life, sitting at the gate. He was carried there every day to beg for money. That day he asked Peter and John for money. But they would share something even better that would change his life!

They told him they had no silver or gold to give, but through the power of Jesus, healed his lame legs. The man got up and walked for the first time in his life! As a result, he actually jumped and praised God because he was amazed. That is how exciting the good news of Jesus is! It can totally change people.

Peter and John obeyed Jesus' command to go and show others who Jesus is and how they can trust in Him. When we believe in Jesus, we can show others how they can believe and follow Jesus too. God wants us to see those around us and to focus on their needs. We get the opportunity to be the ones to tell them about the greatest news ever! We get to tell them about Jesus, who gives hope!

Let's pray together. Remember prayer is listening and talking to God.

God, thank You that You give us neighbors- kids and other people all around us- who we can share with about You. Thank You that we are here to share You with them. Help us to see the needs of others, even when we don't expect it. Guide us to see more clearly the people who are all around us and give us courage and faith to tell them what we are learning about You! Amen.

Videos

My Testimony(20 minutes)

What You Need: My Testimony Printable (1 per kid) pencils, crayons, markers

Set out the supplies. Make an example of the craft ahead of time.

We've learned today that we can tell our neighbors about Jesus. One way you can do this is by telling what Jesus has done for you, your testimony. I am going to give each of you a worksheet for you to fill in. In the top box I want you to draw a picture or write some words for why you wanted to believe in Jesus. In the middle of the paper you will see the 4 circles to help you remember what you believe. As you review these I want you take the box in the middle and draw a picture or words to show us what the day you believed looked like. Who was there? What did you do? Then in the last box draw a picture or write words to describe what it looks like to live your new life with Jesus. What has changed? What are you praying God will help change?

When you are finished, I would love for your to share your testimony with our group. This will give you practice so you are ready to share with anyone in our community.

Say: "Peter and John remind us how important and special it is to tell our neighbors about Jesus. When we share Jesus with our neighbors, it can change their lives. When you love and follow Jesus, you get to tell others about Him. Let's be bold like Peter and John and share Jesus with others.

Discussion Questions:

- Think about people who live around you. Where are some place that you play with other kids and get to know them? It is important to really see those who live around us. If we take time, we can focus on people who need to know that Jesus loves them. How can remembering this help us when we are in our communities, at school, or with other kids? *(Allow kids time to share their own experience with neighbors. Help kids who might be struggling with answers by asking them questions to help them open up)*
- When we see glasses, we know what they are used for- to help us see clearly what is around us. God want sus to see our neighbors as people who need to hear and learn about Him. What are some thing you can tell neighbors about Jesus? *(Allow kids to answer and share your own answer. Consider encouraging kids to think about things that others have told them about Jesus. Answers may include Jesus loves you, God sent Jesus to die on a cross for your sins, Jesus will always be there for you, and so forth.)*
- The Bible tells us we are here to share Jesus, and we can tell our neighbors!. Let's open our Bibles to Acts 3:6 and read about it together. *(Invite kids to open up their Bibles. Read the passage aloud or invite a kid who volunteers to read the passage aloud. Help kids find the passage so everyone can follow along together.)* What is this passage teaching us?
- When Peter and John saw the man at the gate, they had compassion for him. Through the power of Jesus, his body was healed. Peter and John took the opportunity to tell the people about Jesus. It was important for the people in the crowd to understand exactly who Jesus was and what He had done for them. What do you think can happen in our communities when we tell people about Jesus?*(Allow kids time to answer and share your own response. Answers may include that people might believe in Jesus, neighbors can tell other neighbors, people may be compassionate and helpful to each other, and so forth)*
- God gives us courage to tell our neighbors about Jesus, just like Peter and John did. How can faith in God help us when we wonder if people will listen to us? *(Allow kids time to answer and share your own answer. Answers may include that we are here to share Jesus, God will help us tell our neighbors about Him, He will help them listen, and so forth)*

In today's Bible story, Peter and John witnessed the power of Jesus heal a man. They then told everyone around about the amazing power and love of Jesus. When we love and follow Jesus we can tell others about Him too. We can tell those around us about Jesus in the places we go every day.

Going Home

Pass out the coloring pages for kids to take home. Greet families as they arrive and tell them something about their child you saw today. Say goodbye and call everyone by name.