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I AM HERE TO SHARE JESUS Kindergarten - 5th grade

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: Andrew Brought His Brother to Jesus, John 1:29-42

Bottom Line: I can tell my family about Jesus

Leader Context: Andrew wanted to follow Jesus and become His disciple. Andrew also wanted to invite his brother, Peter, to follow Jesus. We have a unique opportunity in our families to share Jesus with the people who are closest to us. Let's help kids see we can share Jesus with our family members.

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, beanbag

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."

Videos

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This

When Andrew met Jesus, he realized Jesus was the Savior- the One God promised to send to save His people. Andrew immediately found his brother, Simon, and took him to meet Jesus. No hesitation! No waiting! He was that excited! God works through us to share the good news of Jesus with people close to us, like our family members. Some of you may be wondering, why should I share about Jesus with my family? And I think that is a great question.

The cool thing is that you are uniquely designed and get to share Jesus with your families in a way that only you can. You have an influence on your family that nobody else has.

When people see the change Jesus makes in your life, you get the opportunity to tell them about Him. Your excitement about Jesus will show in your excitement to share Him, just like it did for Andrew. He wanted his brother, Simon, to meet Jesus just like he did! When we have good news, we can't wait to share it. How cool is it that you are here to share Jesus, and you can tell your families?

How can we tell our families? We can talk to them about what we learn here, we can tell them what Jesus is teaching us, we can put Bible verses around our rooms to encourage us, and we can treat our family members the way Jesus wants us to. God gives you special opportunities to tell your family about Him.

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

God, thank You for sending Jesus to save us. Thank You for our own family members- those we live and care about. We are excited about sharing You with them. Help us to act and speak in ways that honor You as we tell our families. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Purpose Puzzle (20 minutes)

What You Need: Purpose Puzzle (1 per kid) markers, scissors, ziptop bags (1 per kid) Share Jesus printable (1 per group)

What You Do:

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

Today, we are going to create a puzzle for you to take home as a way to share Jesus with your families! On your puzzles, use a dark marker to write I am here to share Jesus. Now use the other colors to decorate the rest of your puzzle. You can use shapes, patterns, or whatever designs you want. Try not to leave any blank space.

Once you finish coloring, cut out the puzzle. Then, practice putting your puzzle together. When you are finished, put your puzzle in a bag.

Say: "Andrew was so excited about meeting Jesus that he went first to his brother to tell him. At your home, you get to tell your own families about Jesus. Invite people in your family to put your puzzle together and then tell them some of the things you know about Jesus. Talk about how knowing Him makes you feel. Talk about a time He answered a prayer you've been praying. Talk about things you are asking Jesus to help you with now. This is telling them about Jesus.

Discussion Questions:

- Think about the people who live with you. What are some fun things you do together? Who do you tell about your day? Who are the people you talk with when you are struggling or having a bad day?*(Allow kids time to answer and share your own answer. Guide conversation about family dynamics and how people interact)*
- A magnet reminds us that we can attract those around us with the good news of Jesus. When we reflect Jesus with our words, actions, and attitudes, we help point the people around us, like our family members, to how God always planned for things to be- His original and perfect design. The more they see us living like Jesus, the more they are attracted to or want to learn more about God and His story. What are some ways we can tell our families about Jesus?*(Allow time for thought and discussion with specific ways they can share. Point out that how they speak and how they act also tells their families how Jesus has changed them.)*
- The Bible tells us that we have special opportunities to tell our families about Jesus. Let's open our Bibles to John 1:40-42 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?
- Andrew met Jesus and knew Jesus was the Savior- the One God promised to send to save His people. After Andrew realized Jesus was the Savior, the Bible says he first found his own brother Simon, to tell him he had found Jesus. Andrew wanted to share the good news with Simon because it made such an impact on his own life, and he wanted the same for Simon. Like Andrew, you all have special relationships in your families to tell them about Jesus too. Think about those who live in your house. Can you think of ways you can tell each of them about Jesus?*(Give kids time to share about their families. Guide them in specific ways they can tell about Jesus there. Answers may include tell them who Jesus is and what He's done, tell them what God is teaching you, talk about who God says you are because of who He is, share Bible verses, pray for them, and so forth.)*
- If you wonder who will listen to you, remember you live with people who watch and listen to how to act and react. Just by living in your home, you have an influence on the people who live with you. If someone in your family doesn't know or follow Jesus, you get to be the one to tell them about Him. He will help you see the opportunities and give you the words to say. What are some ways you can see yourself telling those closest to you about Jesus?

In today's Bible story, we learned that Andrew was so excited to meet Jesus that he found his brother and took him to meet Jesus too. We can share Jesus with our families by talking about who Jesus is and how much He loves us.

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.