Teaching guide - Preschool & VSN

All Aboard: Let Jesus Lead the Way

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LESSON - JESUS TEACHES US to LOVE LIKE HIM!

All aboard, Victory Kids! Are you ready for another adventure with Jesus? Last time, we learned that Jesus teaches us how to have hearts that follow Him. Today, we're going to keep learning from Jesus as He teaches us how to live with love!

Remember the word we learned last week? Bee-a-ti-tudes! It means blessings!

Can you say it with me? Blessings! So, Jesus continued to tell the people about the Beatitudes.

Jesus said, "Blessed are the merciful." That means God is happy when we forgive others and show kindness, just like God forgives us. Have you ever had a friend say sorry to you? Did you forgive them? (wait for answers) When we forgive and show love, we're doing what Jesus does!

SAY IT: I can forgive!

DO IT: Hold out your hands like you're giving a hug.

Then Jesus said, "Blessed are the pure in heart." That's a heart that wants to do the right thing, not to get a sticker or a prize, but because we love God! When our hearts want to do the right thing, we want to listen, obey, and love others even when no one is watching.

SAY IT: I want to do what's right!

DO IT: Point to your heart.

Jesus kept teaching. He said, "Blessed are the peacemakers." A peacemaker is someone who helps others get along, not someone who doesn't share or fights. Jesus loves when we share, take turns, and use kind words instead of mean ones. When we help others be friends again, we are being like Jesus!

SAY IT: I can help others get along!

DO IT: Let's hold up two fingers and make a peace sign.

The people on the hill kept listening, and so do we. Jesus wants our hearts to love others every day, at home, at church, on the playground, or anywhere we go. When we love like Jesus, we help others see just how wonderful He is. When our hearts are humble, tender, and hungry for what's right, we follow Jesus' way, the best way!

PRAYER: Dear Jesus, thank You for teaching us how to love with our hearts. Help us to forgive, do what's right, and bring peace wherever we go. Let Your love shine through everything we do. In Jesus' name, Amen.

LESSOD QUESTIONS - 10 MINS

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- 1. Does Jesus want us to love others? (Yes)
- 2.ls it kind to forgive someone? (Yes)
- 3.Does Jesus want us to fight with our friends? (No)
- 4. Can we help others get along? (Yes)

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- 1. Who teaches us to love? Jesus
- 2. What kind of heart wants to do what's right? A pure heart
- 3. What is someone called who helps others get along? A peacemaker
- 4. What does a kind heart do? Forgive, love, help

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ACTIVITY 1: EVELYODE IS LOVED!

Items Needed: N/A

Connection: No matter what we do or what happens to us in life, nothing can separate us from the love of God.

Step 1: Choose a child to be "it," and play tag, but when the person who is "It" tags someone, he or she has to give the tagged student a high five and say, "Jesus loves you!" That person is now "it". Continue until everyone has had a chance to be "it" or has been tagged.

until everyone has had a chance to be "it" or has been tagged. **Step 2:** Then play tag, but everyone is "it." Everyone should try to tag as many people as they can and keep track of how many people they have tagged.

Jesus loves everyone! We should go out and "tag" everyone with His love!

ACTIVITY 2: Heart Toss!

Items Needed: Cornhole game

Connection: The teachings of Jesus from the Beatitudes go straight to the heart. Jesus wants us to live for him, and He is teaching us how to have hearts full of love, mercy, peace, and kindness.

Step 1: Set up the cornhole board or two baskets, and heart-shaped beanbags (or regular beanbags)

Step 2: Form a line and let each child take turns tossing the beanbags toward the board.

Step 3: Every time a child lands a beanbag on the board, have them shout out, "I can show mercy, I can forgive, I can be kind."

ACTIVITY 3: BURBE PAITY OR STORY TIME

Items Needed: Bubbles and music OR book basket

We've got some extra time today, so let's spend it worshipping and dancing with bubbles or reading a book to the class (please show the pictures on each page).

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BEE ATTITUDE SIGN CRAFT

Items Needed: 24 Sets Bee Attitude Sign Craft Kit (Beatitudes), markers to write their name

Connection: The Beatitudes teach us how to have hearts that follow Jesus. Each "Bee Attitude" reminds us to "Bee" like Jesus: kind, humble, loving, and peaceful!

Step 1: Give each child a Bee Attitude sign base and their bee and flower pieces.

Step 2: Help students write their names on the back of the sign using a marker.

Step 3: Peel and stick the bee characters and flowers onto the base, matching the Bee Attitudes (ex: Bee Kind, Bee Forgiving).

Step 4: Guide kids as they attach the hanging string through the hole at the top and tie a double knot to complete the hanger.

Step 5: Talk about each "Bee Attitude" as you assemble them. For example, say, "Bee kind means we use kind words like Jesus!"

COLORING SHEET: BEATTITUDE COLORING SHEET

Items Needed: Coloring sheet and crayons.

Connection: The Beatitudes is Jesus' lesson that begins with 8 blessings. Have fun learning them while you color.

Step 1: Distribute the coloring sheets and allow time to color.

