

Lesson Plan 7

I Will Love Others Continued

Objective

Students will understand the need to love others, continued.

Supplies

Teachers and/or Coordinators ensure supplies are ready prior to each class.

Print From the Site:

- How Would You Feel Activity (one per student)
- John 4 Verse Group Activity (one to share)
- Say I'm Sorry Activity (one per student)
- I Can Be Loving To Others Activity (one per student)
- Bible
- Pens/Pencils/Pencil Crayons (will need black and red or pink)
- Attendance Chart
- Stickers (for attendance)
- Lesson Review Visual Aids (one for teacher to show each class)

Optional Supplies

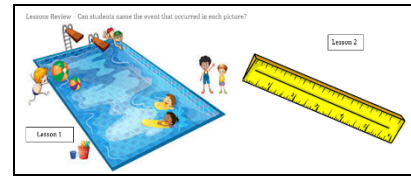
- Snack: Heart Shaped Strawberries or Apple Slices

Teacher Tips

- ★ See Lesson 1

1) Introduction to Lesson

As students enter, welcome them and help them find a chair to sit at. Thank them for coming. Take attendance. Let each child put a sticker beside their name for this week.



Pass out Bibles to those students that need one and have the “Lesson Review Visual Aid Sheet” ready to show.

Can anyone remember what we have studied so far? Look at the picture. Then, name what happened for the lesson we have already studied, and what we learned.

Lesson 1: We need to obey. Jesus tells us we need to obey His commandments.

Lesson 2: We need to follow the Golden Rule – “Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

Lesson 3: We need to obey Jesus by loving others.

Lesson 4: We need to be a worker for the Lord like Nehemiah

Lesson 5: We will obey like Jesus

Lesson 6: We need to do what is right and love others

2) Class Time - I Will Do What's Right & Love Others

15 minutes

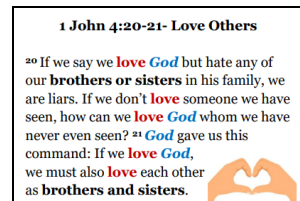
Make sure each student has a Bible ready for class.

Last time and today we will look at doing right by loving others.

Today we will see that God tells us to do what is right and love others... especially people that are hard to love.

Let's turn in our Bibles to 1 John 4:20-21

²⁰ If we say we **love God** but hate any of our brothers or sisters in his family, we are liars. If we don't **love** someone we have seen, how can we **love God** whom we have never even seen? ²¹ God gave us this command: If we **love God**, we must also **love** each other as brothers and sisters.



Now let's read it again, when you hear the word

LOVE: I want you to make a heart sign with your two hands by bending all your fingers in towards each other and touch your two thumbs together to make a heart shape.

GOD: I want you to point up to heaven

BROTHERS and SISTERS: I want you to point to each other

Questions:

What does this verse tell us the right thing to do is? Love others

What if they are mean or we don't like them? We still have to love them

Will it always be easy to love others? No but we need to show love to everyone whether they deserve it or not.

When we love other people, who does that really show we love? God!

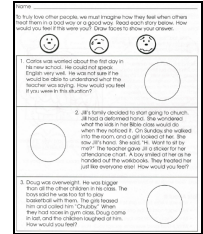
3) Activity Time - How Would You Feel

5 minutes

Hand out one sheet to each student along with pencil crayons.

Read the directions aloud, and read each situation aloud and then as a group decide which “face” is most appropriate for the situation. Help as needed.

Challenge the students to think of ways they can make 5 people smile and be happy this week!

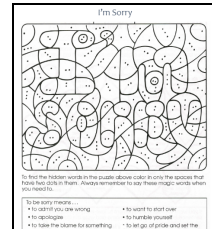


4) Activity Time - Say I'm Sorry

10 minutes

Hand out one sheet to each student along with pencil crayons. Read the directions aloud, help as needed.

Go through the list of what sorry means and ask students to share situations when they said sorry and how it made the situation better.

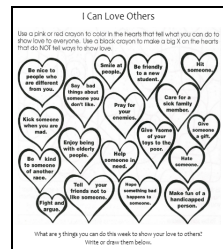


5) Activity Time - I Can Be Loving To Others

10 minutes

Hand out one sheet to each student along with one pink/red and one black pencil crayon for each student. Read the directions aloud, help as needed.

Go through the list and read each heart out loud and as a group decide if it is something that shows love or not. Have them draw or write three ways they can show love this week.



6) Activity Time - Signs of Love Charades

5-10 minutes

Get all the students to stand up and each take a turn telling one way they would show love to someone this week. Next, have all the students act out without saying a word, how they would do that action to someone else.

Maybe they would give a hug, pretend to help out at home, sit with a new student at school, etc.

Have each student name one way to show love, and all students show that by actions.

7) Optional Activity - Sing

5 minutes

If time allows, choose songs that relate to this lesson from the “I Will Obey Songs” sheets.

8) Activity - Memory Verse

2-5 minutes

Ask the students to go to Matthew 7:24 in their Bibles and read the verse aloud as a class 2 times.

Matthew 7:24 *Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.*

For the first time, make sure you discuss different words that might need to be made clear. Example: hears these sayings or rock. Rock here means a firm foundation, stable, not to be moved. This Jesus means to be the Word of God, the Bible.

Other options include:

- You saying a word and having them repeat it as you go through the verse
- Have students repeat a small phrase ex: “Therefore whoever” a few times before working on the next phrase.
- Have students repeat after each other
- Ask students to think of hand gestures. Ex: hears = put hand to ear as if listening, Mine = point up to Jesus, does them = pretend to hand out something to someone to share, built = make two fists and pretend to build on the other by putting one fist on top of the other and then move the bottom fist to the top. House = take two fingers and at the same time have them point together and then move out as if to make the shape of the roof and then straight down for the walls. Rock = make a big fist.

Jesus is telling us to listen to the Bible, His Word. And when we do, we will have a solid foundation. This includes obeying the Word of God – the Bible.

9) Lesson Review

5 minutes

Say: **What did we learn today?** Let students answer.

Today we learned that we need to do what is right and that means loving others. When we do it makes God happy and makes us and others happy as well.

What would happen if everyone in the world was nice and kind to each other? It would be the way God designed it. No sin, no hurt.

Can we control other people and how they react? No

Who is the only person we can control? Ourselves.

So let’s control ourselves and choose to do what’s right all the time – loving others regardless if they love us back, helping others, spending time with kids in school who

aren't cool, spending time with people who need help, helping our parents, brothers and sisters. Let's change the world with our love and kindness and do what is right by loving others!

What is your favorite way to show love?

Share a time someone showed you love? How did it feel?

How can you show love this week?

10) Optional Activity - Snack Heart-Shaped Fruit

5 minutes

Hand out a few pieces to each student, ensuring you check for allergies first. Say, **this snack is to remind us about our lesson today. Raise your hand if you remember what our lesson was about?** We will do what is right by loving others. We can help others and that will show them the love of Jesus. We will be kind to all people regardless of who they are or if they are loving back to us.

As we eat our snack, let's think of ways we can love others and do kind things for them.

Let students come up with answers.

Provide a napkin for children to clean their hands if needed. Review with students by asking them questions from the lesson again and discuss any questions they have while snacking.

What did they like best about today's Bible reading?

What questions do they have about today's lesson?

11) Closing Prayer

Ask if there are any prayers the students want to share. Say closing prayer remembering to include thoughts from the lesson today.