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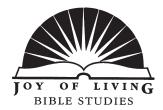
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Before you begin

An ideal curriculum for home-school, Bible class, Sunday School or personal Bible study, **Joy of Living Youth Curriculum** is flexible and easy to use. Each lesson covers the same scripture passage as the adult **Joy of Living** Study.

Age:

This course encourages students of various ages to develop a habit of personal Bible study. Since the study requires reading the Bible and writing answers to the questions, the minimum age should be about 6 years old. Although the questions are geared to about age 10, older students will profit by gaining a basic knowledge of the Bible. Students over the age of 14 may be mature enough to study the adult **Joy of Living** course.

The lessons:

The study is divided into weekly units. Each week is divided into three sections:

- a suggested class schedule including craft and game ideas
- leader's lesson sheets (these contain the answers for the lesson completed by the students during the previous week)
- student questions for the next lesson (these are passed out at the end of the class)

Students complete the written lessons at home and are encouraged to do a few questions each day rather than trying to complete all the questions in one day. This will aid the students in developing a pattern of daily Bible Study. The "HARD" and "RISKY" questions are to inspire the student to think and reason and help them dig deeper into God's Word.

For homeschool or personal Bible study:

The curriculum may be used in a variety of ways:

- Lessons may be completed by the individual student and graded for accuracy. Discussion time is optional, although it is encouraged.
- Students within the same family or group may work on the lessons together. A discussion time with a parent or other adult is suggested.
- Adults may work one-on-one with the student(s) while they complete the lesson.
- Lessons may be used as part of family devotions. Read the portions of scripture aloud and use the questions to prompt discussion of the Bible passage.

For use with groups:

There is great flexibility in implementing this curriculum. Since each class has its own needs, space, finances, and time frame the class schedule is supplied as a general outline and can be changed to suit specific situations and needs.

Each class session has free time, recreation/snack time, question discussion time, and craft time.

Remember — Keep the pace moving to avoid boredom and trouble, while providing continuity.

Suggested time SCHEDULE to be adapted to individual group:

- 15 20 minutes. unstructured free time
- 15 20 minutes. game/snack time
- 15 20 minutes. discussion time
- remaining time for craft

Helpful Hints for Groups

Facility/Equipment

- Whatever the class size, access to a gym or large game room is worthwhile for team play and group activities.
- If the church has the room, a separate cupboard for supplies is a plus.
- A volleyball or similar ball is good to have on hand for a variety of games.

Discussion Time

- Use the counting off system to divide the class into groups for discussion time. (Avoid, if possible, separating into groups according to age or family.)
- Each discussion group should have an adult leader. Older children should not be used (unless absolutely necessary) as leaders or sitters; they are there for fellowship and learning, too.
- With many of the questions there is no right or wrong answer. The questions are to encourage the student to think and reason and to dig deeper into God's Word. However, since discussion time is also a form of teaching, the leaders are given answers on their question sheets to aid them in the discussion, with occasional commentary insights added in brackets.
- As you discuss the lesson be careful not to belittle a student's opinion or idea. Even if the answer is wrong you can encourage the student by saying something similar to, "I like to see that you're thinking, do you think perhaps....(then give the correct answer)" or "I can see that you are thinking about the question, does anyone else have thoughts on this question?"

Teachers/Leaders/Helpers

- The number of leaders and helpers is determined by the size of the class. The ideal situation is one discussion leader per every 5 children.
- In addition to the main leader, it is helpful to have a game leader, and craft leader.
- Responsibilities are determined within each class structure.

- Parent volunteers may be requested when extra help is needed. If there is a large number of children, the parents have to volunteer only once or twice the entire year.
- Scheduling parents to bring treats is a financial bonus. Keeping cost to a minimum is being a good steward of God's resources.

Game Time

Although board games, puzzles, hidden pictures, crosswords, coloring, and quiet activities do not keep the attention of active children, they should not be ruled out as alternative game time activities. Ball games, races, or tag games are suggested and favored to holding everyone's interest.

Suggestions for obtaining craft ideas & supplies:

Garage/yard/rummage sales library craft books children's magazines

YMCA, Park & Recreation Dept., churches (almost every city has a summer program for children, which includes a craft time; they may have leftover craft supplies they would like to donate)

Supplies to have on hand for crafts not in kits:

glue, glue sticks, glue gun
scissors (at least 1 pair for every 2 students)
paint (tempera—washable)
paint brushes
paper towels
newspapers
construction paper
crayons
colored markers
colored pencils
paper cups, napkins (snack time)
various items to pass in relay races
balls, basketball, nerf, etc.

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LUKE — WEEK ONE

NO LESSON DISCUSSION

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: CARRY AND FETCH RELAY

Divide into teams, each forming a straight line behind the "start line." The first player on each team carries to the "goal line" a bean bag, eraser, book, (any object) and places it inside a circle beyond the goal line. (If no circle is used, place the relay object on something else.) He then runs back and tags the second player, who runs to the object, picks it up and races back to his line handing it off to the third player, who carries it back to the goal circle. The third player runs back to his line and tags player four, and so on. The relay object must be inside the circle or on top of the other object before he can run back to his line. The team finishing first is the winner.

15 - 20 minutes discuss class rules

to end of class CRAFT: JAR PAPERWEIGHTS OR SNOW GLOBES

MATERIALS

florist's clay spoon food coloring glass jars: baby food, or other small jars with lids plastic flowers, sequins, buttons, glitter, & miniature figures

This can be a simple or complicated craft, however you choose to use it. Some of the small plastic items may be found in novelty or pet stores. Thoroughly clean jars and lids. Allow to dry completely. For the simple craft, put plastic items, sequins, glitter, and/or buttons into the jar and fill 1/2 way with water. Add some food coloring and stir. Fill to rim and secure lid. Shake and turn upside down and watch the "snow fall." For the more complicated craft, place the lids on the table with the flat side down. Cover lid out to the rim and slightly mound the center with clay. Stick plastic pieces into the clay as desired, being sure they are secure by pressing the clay around the bottom of each piece. Glitter, sequins, buttons, and food coloring may be added for effect, if desired. Fill jar almost to the top with water. Insert the lid into the water, and screw tightly. Wipe jars clean of water. Use as paperweight with the lid on the bottom.

LUKE — LESSON 1

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 1, verses 1 - 25.

- 1. Luke 1:3 tells us why Luke wrote this Gospel to his friend Theophilus. What does this verse say?
- 2. What does Colossians 4:14 tell us about Luke?
- 3. **CHALLENGE**: What do you learn about Zacharias in Luke 1:5-7?
- 4. What happened to Zacharias because he didn't believe Gabriel's message?

Read Luke chapter 1, verses 26 - 38.

- 1. Who did Gabriel visit in Nazareth about six months later?
- 2. CHALLENGE: What did Gabriel tell Mary in Luke 1:28-33?

3. HARD : Read Matthew 1:18-25 to learn about Joseph. How did he respond to the angel's visit?
4. What was Mary's response in Luke 1:38?
Read Luke chapter 1, verses 39 - 56.
1. When Elizabeth heard Mary's voice, what did Elizabeth's unborn baby do?
2. What does John 15:26 say about the Holy Spirit?
Read Luke chapter 1, verses 57 - 80.
1. What does Luke 1:64 tell us happened to Zacharias after his son John was born?
2. PERSONAL : Do you praise God often?
3. Zacharias became filled with the Holy Spirit. He began to tell about the future. What does he say in Luke 1:68 and 69?
4. What does Luke 1:80 tell about John's growing up years?

LUKE – WEEK TWO

DISCUSSION — LESSON 1

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack/group recreation: HUCKLEBERRY BEANSTALK

A small object is hidden by the teacher, not to be higher than eye level of the shortest child, somewhere in the room; all eyes are closed, or the children are sent from the room. Instruction is then given for them to look for the object. Anyone seeing it finds a seat and sits down, calling "Huckleberry beanstalk." The object of the game is to not be the last one seated.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 1

to end of class CRAFT: INVISIBLE INK PICTURE MESSAGE

MATERIALS

magazine pictures of faces glue

white paper paint brushes bowls lemon juice

iron (for revealing message)

From the magazine pictures cut out eyes, noses, mouths, ears, and heads of hair. Mix them up then let students select pieces and glue them onto a sheet of paper. Pour lemon juice into bowls. Using paint brushes, each student writes a riddle or a funny sentence on his paper (not one that would be hurtful).

Gather all the pictures, then redistribute to the students. With hot iron, press the written area. The heat will make the message appear. Then try to guess who wrote the riddle. Or, the papers can be taken home and pressed at home.

LUKE — LESSON 1 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 1, verses 1 - 25.

- 1. Luke 1:3 tells us why Luke wrote this Gospel to his friend Theophilus. What does this verse say? "But I thought it would be good to check all these accounts. So I checked everything from first to last. And I decided to pass this summary on to you."
- 2. What does Colossians 4:14 tell us about Luke? <u>He was a doctor. [Luke's Gospel account has more details than the others; as a doctor he's observant to details].</u>
- 3. **CHALLENGE**: What do you learn about Zacharias in Luke 1:5-7? He's a priest; he was a member of the Abijah [a descendant of Aaron's son Eleazar and a division of the priesthood]; married to Elizabeth, also a descendant of Aaron; both were godly, childless, and old.
- 4. What happened to Zacharias because he didn't believe Gabriel's message? <u>verse 20: "And now, because you haven't believed me, you won't be able to talk until the child is born. For my words will surely come true at the proper time."</u>

Read Luke chapter 1, verses 26 - 38.

- 1. Who did Gabriel visit in Nazareth about six months later? Mary.
- 2. **CHALLENGE**: What did Gabriel tell Mary in Luke 1:28-33? She was favored; the Lord was with her; not to be afraid; she would give birth to a son and name Him Jesus; He will be great; He will be called the Son of the Most High.
- 3. **HARD**: Read Matthew 1:18-25 to learn about Joseph. How did he respond to the angel's visit? verse 24,25: "Then Joseph woke up. And he did just as the angel commanded him. He brought Mary home to be his wife. But he did not sleep with her until her Son was born. And Joseph named the baby 'Jesus."
- 4. What was Mary's response in Luke 1:38? "Mary said, 'I am the Lord's servant. I will do whatever He wants. May everything you said come true.' And then the angel disappeared."

Read Luke chapter 1, verses 39 - 56.

- 1. When Elizabeth heard Mary's voice, what did Elizabeth's unborn baby do? <u>verse 41: "At the sound of Mary's greeting, Elizabeth's child jumped inside her. And she was filled with the Holy Spirit."</u>
- 2. What does John 15:26 say about the Holy Spirit? "But I will send you the Comforter, the Spirit of truth. He will come to you from the Father. He will tell you all about Me."

Read Luke chapter 1, verses 57 - 80.

- 1. What does Luke 1:64 tell us happened to Zacharias after his son John was born? "Right then, Zacharias could speak again. And he began to praise God."
- 2. **PERSONAL**: Do you praise God often?
- 3. Zacharias became filled with the Holy Spirit. He began to tell about the future. What does he say in Luke 1:68 and 69? "Praise the Lord, the God of Israel! For He has come to visit His people and has redeemed them. He is sending us a Mighty Savior from the royal line of His servant David."
- 4. What does Luke 1:80 tell us about John's growing up years? "As the little boy grew up, he greatly loved God. He lived out in the desert until he began his public ministry to Israel."

LUKE - LESSON 2

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

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- 1. Who was the emperor of Rome?
- 2. Where did Mary and Joseph have to go to be taxed (or counted)?
- 3. **CHALLENGE**: What does Micah 5:2 say about Bethlehem?
- 4. Bethlehem was about 80 miles from Nazareth. People walked or rode on an animal such as a donkey. What happened to Mary when they reached Bethlehem?
- 5. How was her baby dressed, and where did she put him?

Read Luke chapter 2, verses 8 - 20.

- 1. Who told the shepherds about the birth of Jesus?
- 2. What did the angel tell them in verses 10 and 11?

3. What did the shepherds do after the angels returned to heaven?
4. Using a dictionary, what does Savior mean?
Read Luke chapter 2, verses 21 - 40.
1. CHALLENGE : Who was Simeon?
2. What did he say about the baby in verses 29-32?
3. Simeon praised God for fulfilling His promise. What did he tell Mary in verses 34 and 35?
4. Anna the prophetess was also in the temple. What does verse 38 say she did?
5. PERSONAL : The shepherds told others about the Messiah. Anna told others about the Messiah. Do you tell others about Him?
Read Matthew chapter 2, verses 1 - 23.
1. Wise men came to Jerusalem looking for Jesus. According to Matthew 2:11, where did they find Him and what did they do?

2. RISKY : Why do you think we give and receive gifts at Christmas?
3. HARD : After the wise men left, where did the Angel of the Lord tell Joseph to take his famil Why?
4. When did Joseph and his family return to the land of Israel, and where did they live?
Read Luke chapter 2, verses 41 - 52.
1. Why did Jesus, Mary and Joseph go to Jerusalem?
2. CHALLENGE : Jesus stayed in Jerusalem when everyone began returning home. Why did I stay behind?
3. Mary and Joseph were frantic when they found Him. What did Jesus answer when His moth questioned Him?
4. Jesus returned to Nazareth with Mary and Joseph. What does Luke tell us about Him in ver 52?
5. PERSONAL : Have you received God's gift, His Son Jesus, as your Savior?

LUKE — WEEK THREE

DISCUSSION — LESSON 2

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: TEAM RELAY

Teams stand in relay lines. Leader gives a series of commands to touch certain items in the room, such as: touch chair, touch blackboard, touch trash can, etc. Everyone responds at once. The group back in its original formation receives 1 point. Repeat game until the team with 5 points wins.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 2

to end of class CRAFT: PAINTED ROCK PAPERWEIGHT

MATERIALS

1 medium size rock per student Tempera paint paint brushes small pieces of felt glue

Prior to class: wash and dry smooth rocks.

In class: Instruct the students to cut out and glue piece of felt to the rock on what will become the bottom of the paperweight. Then allow them to paint the rocks however they desire. Some suggestions: An 'Indian' design or possibly a solid color then add words to the top such as 'love' or 'joy.'

LUKE — LESSON 2 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 2, verses 1 - 7.

- 1. Who was the emperor of Rome? <u>verse 1: Caesar Augustus</u>. [Luke weaves historical information into his Gospel. Palestine was under Roman rule. Caesar Augustus was the adopted son of Julius Caesar, and the first Roman emperor. Julius Caesar was a great military leader and dictator of Rome. Emperor means: "the supreme monarch of an empire" (Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary.)]
- 2. Where did Mary and Joseph have to go to be taxed (or counted)? <u>Bethlehem.</u>
- 3. **CHALLENGE**: What does Micah 5:2 say about Bethlehem? "O Bethlehem Ephrathah, you are but a small Judean village. Yet you will be the birthplace of My King Who lives from everlasting ages."
- 4. Bethlehem was about 80 miles from Nazareth. People walked or rode on an animal such as a donkey. What happened to Mary when they reached Bethlehem? <u>verse 6: "And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born."</u>
- 5. How was her baby dressed, and where did she put him? verse 7: "So she gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him in a blanket, [as any mother of that day did for her baby,] and laid him in a manger. This was because there was no room for them in the village inn." [Mentioning the manger indicates Jesus was born in a stable. Stables were usually in caves; and mangers were carved stone troughs.]

Read Luke chapter 2, verses 8 - 20.

- 1. Who told the shepherds about the birth of Jesus? An angel told them.
- 2. What did the angel tell them in verses 10 and 11? "But the angel comforted them. 'Don't be afraid!' he said. 'I bring you the most joyful news ever told! And it's for everyone! The Savior has been born tonight in Bethlehem! Yes, this is the Messiah, the Lord!"
- 3. What did the shepherds do after the angels returned to heaven? <u>verse 16</u>: "They ran to the village and found their way to Mary and Joseph. And there was the baby, lying in the manger."
- 4. Using a dictionary, what does Savior mean? "One that saves from danger or destruction" (Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary).

Read Luke chapter 2, verses 21 - 40.

- 1. **CHALLENGE**: Who was Simeon? verses 25, 26: "A good man and very devout. Filled with the Holy Spirit and always looking for the Messiah to come. For the Holy Spirit had shown him that he would not die until he had seen God's Messiah."
- 2. What did he say about the baby in verses 29-32? "Lord,' he said, 'now I can die happy! For I have seen Him as You promised I would. I have seen the Savior You have given to the world. He is the Light that will shine upon the nations! And he will be the glory of Your people Israel!"
- 3. Simeon praised God for fulfilling His promise. What did he tell Mary in verses 34 and 35? "Simeon blessed them. But then he said to Mary, 'A sword shall pierce your soul. For this Child shall be rejected by many in Israel. And this will be their undoing. But he will be the greatest joy of many others. The thoughts of many hearts shall be revealed."
- 4. Anna the prophetess was also in the temple. What does verse 38 say she did? "She came along just as Simeon was talking with Mary and Joseph. And she also began thanking God. She spoke to everyone in Jerusalem who had been waiting for the Savior. She told them that the Messiah had finally come."
- 5. **PERSONAL**: The shepherds told others about the Messiah. Anna told others about the Messiah. Do you tell others about Him?

Read Matthew chapter 2, verses 1 - 23.

- 1. Wise men came to Jerusalem looking for Jesus. According to Matthew 2:11, where did they find Him and what did they do? "And they came into the house and saw the child with Mary His mother; and they fell down and worshiped Him; and opening their treasures they presented to Him gifts of gold, and frankincense and myrrh" (NAS).
- 2. **RISKY**: Why do you think we give and receive gifts at Christmas? [Answers will vary. Use this as an opportunity to share the following: It would be nice to think it is because we are thankful for God's gift of His Son Jesus. However, in order for a gift to become ours, we have to take it, then the gift is ours. That's how we receive God's gift of Jesus. We not only believe He is the Savior, we accept His gift of salvation as our personal gift. And then, as we do with other gifts, say "thank you" to God.
- 3. **HARD**: After the wise men left, where did the Angel of the Lord tell Joseph to take his family? Why? verse 13-15: "After they were gone, an Angel of the Lord spoke to Joseph in a dream. 'Get up and go to Egypt with the (child) and his mother,' the angel said. 'Stay there until I tell you to come back. For King Herod will try to kill the child.' That same night he left for Egypt with Mary and the (child). They stayed there until King Herod's death. This fulfilled the prophet's words: 'I have called my Son from Egypt.'"

4. When did Joseph and his family return to the land of Israel, and where did they live? <u>verses 19</u> and 23: when Herod was dead; they lived in Nazareth.

Read Luke chapter 2, verses 41 - 52.

- 1. Why did Jesus, Mary and Joseph go to Jerusalem? For the yearly Passover Feast.
- 2. **CHALLENGE**: Jesus stayed in Jerusalem when everyone began returning home. Why did He stay behind? <u>verses 46, 47</u>: "And it came about that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them, and asking them questions. And all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers" (NAS).
- 3. Mary and Joseph were frantic when they found Him. What did Jesus answer when His mother questioned Him? <u>verse 49</u>: "But why did you need to look?' He asked. 'Didn't you know that I would be here at the Temple, in my Father's House?""
- 4. Jesus returned to Nazareth with Mary and Joseph. What does Luke tell us about Him in verse 52? "So Jesus grew both tall and wise. And He was loved by both God and man."
- 5. **PERSONAL**: Have you received God's gift, His Son Jesus, as your Savior?

LUKE — LESSON 3

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

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Read Luke chapter 3, verses 1 - 3.
1. Luke mentions men who were famous in world history, as well as religious history. What were the names of the following famous men?
Emperor of Rome (World history)
Ruler over Galilee (World history)
Ruler over Iturea and Trachonitis (World history)
Governor of Judea (World history)
The high priests (Religious history)
Read Luke chapter 3, verses 4 - 14.
1. RISKY : John said in Luke 3:7-8a that men needed to repent of their sins. Using a dictionary what does repent mean?
2. What do these verses say about sin?
Romans 3:10
Romans 3:23

3. HARD : What sins are listed in Galatians 5:19-21?
4. What does 1 John 1:9 say about our sin?
5. HARD : What does Galatians 5:22-23 say happens when the Holy Spirit lives in us?
Read Luke chapter 3, verses 15 - 20.
1. The people wanted to know if John was the Messiah. What was his answer in Luke 3:16?
2. What does John 7:39 say about the Holy Spirit?
3. According to Luke 3:19-20, what happened to John? (This happened after Jesus was bap tized.)

LUKE - WEEK FOUR

DISCUSSION — LESSON 3

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: INDIAN RUNNING

Break into groups of five or six. Choose one group to be the first group of "Indians." They leave the room and arrange themselves in a line. They reenter the room, walk single file once around seated players, then leave. They return, single file, but not in the order they first entered the room, and stand in front of the seated players. The other teams when called upon guess the correct order in which the "Indians" first came into the room. The team guessing correctly is the next group of "Indians." Game can be played until all teams have had a chance to be "Indians," or as long as interest prevails.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 3

to end of class CRAFT: NAPKIN RINGS

MATERIALS

cardboard toilet paper, paper towel or waxed paper rolls colored crepe paper scissors glue macaroni bows spray paint (optional) aluminum foil (optional) clear contact (optional)

It may be helpful to have the rolls cut into 2 1/2 inch rings before class begins. (If you wish to make the rolls a little more sturdy, wrap a 5" x 4" strip of aluminum foil around the ring first.) Cut crepe paper 5 inches wide across the grain. Wrap the crepe paper around the ring and tuck it inside and glue it — INSIDE. (If glued on the outside, the colors will run.) Put a little glue on the back of a macaroni bow and let it set until it is sticky, then press it onto the ring. (You may want to spray paint the macaroni before gluing it.) Allow each child to make one per family member.

LUKE — LESSON 3 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 3, verses 1 - 3.

1. Luke mentions men who were famous in world history, as well as religious history. What were the names of the following famous men?

Emperor of Rome (World history) <u>Tiberius Caesar. [Tiberius was successor to Caesar Augustus, Rome's first emperor mentioned in Luke 2:1.]</u>

Ruler over Galilee (World history) <u>Herod. [This was Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great, mentioned in Matthew 2:3.]</u>

Ruler over Iturea and Trachonitis (World history) Philip. [This was Herod Philip, another son of Herod the Great. Caesarea Philippi (Matthew 16:13) was built by him and named for him.]

Governor of Judea (World history) Pilate.

The high priests (Religious history) Annas and Caiaphas. [Recent 1991 archaeological finds have uncovered the tomb of a Caiaphas, believed to be this one.]

Read Luke chapter 3, verses 4 - 14.

- 1. **RISKY**: John said in Luke 3:7-8a that men needed to repent of their sins. Using a dictionary, what does repent mean? "To turn from sin and dedicate oneself to the amendment of one's life" (Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary).
- 2. What do these verses say about sin?

Romans 3:10 "The Bible says, "No one is good without God. Every person in the world has sinned."

Romans 3:23 "Yes, all have sinned. All fall short of God's perfect glory."

3. **HARD**: What sins are listed in Galatians 5:19-21? "But when you follow your own natural desires there will be evil results. There are impure thoughts, lustful pleasures, idolatry, spiritism, hatred, and fighting. There are jealousy and anger, arguments and criticism. People feel that everyone else is wrong except those in their own little group. There will be wrong doctrine, envy, and murder. People will be drunk at wild parties and do all these sorts of things. Let me tell you again what I have told you before. Anyone living that sort of life will not enter the Kingdom of God."

- 4. What does 1 John 1:9 say about our sin? "If we confess our sins, He can be depended on to forgive us. He will cleanse us from every wrong. It is proper for God to do this because Christ died for our sins."
- 5. **HARD**: What does Galatians 5:22-23 say happens when the Holy Spirit lives in us? "But with the Holy Spirit in our lives there will be different kinds of fruit. They are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, and faith. People with the Spirit are gentle and have self-control. None of these things are against the Jewish laws."

Read Luke chapter 3, verses 15 - 20.

- 1. The people wanted to know if John was the Messiah. What did he answer in verse 16? "John answered the question by saying, 'I baptize only with water. But someone is coming soon Who has far greater authority than I do. In fact, I am not even worthy of being His slave. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.""
- 2. What does John 7:39 say about the Holy Spirit? "Now Jesus was speaking of the Spirit. The Spirit would be given to everyone who believed in Him. But the Spirit had not yet been given because Jesus had not yet been glorified."
- 3. According to Luke 3:19-20, what happened to John? (This happened after Jesus was baptized.) "At this time, Herod (Antipas) was the governor of Galilee. Now Herod had married Herodias, his brother's wife. He had also done many other bad things. So John spoke out against him in public. Because of this, Herod put John in prison. And so Herod added another sin to his many others." [She was still married to Herod's half-brother.]

LUKE - LESSON 4

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke cha	pter 3, verses	21 -	38.
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- 1. How old was Jesus when He began His public ministry?
- 2. What is Jesus called in John 1:29 when He came to be baptized?
- 3. What does Luke 3:22 say happened as Jesus was praying?

Read Luke chapter 4, verses 1 - 13.

- 1. CHALLENGE: In your own words, what happened after Jesus' baptism?
- 2. Read Matthew 4:11. Who took care of Jesus after Satan left Him?
- 3. **HARD**: Why do you think Jesus was tempted? See Hebrews 4:14-15 to help you with your answer.

verses to know how to act when you are tempted?
Read Luke chapter 4, verses 14 - 21.
1. What does Luke 4:14-15 tell us about Jesus after He returned to Galilee in the power of the Holy Spirit?
2. What does Luke 4:16 say He did next?
3. PERSONAL : Jesus worshipped weekly. Do you attend church weekly?
Read Luke chapter 4, verses 22 - 44.
1. After Jesus escaped the mob, where did He go? See Luke 4:31.
2. How did the people feel about Jesus in Capernaum?
3. What does Mark 1:35 say Jesus did early in the morning?
4. PERSONAL : Is prayer one of the first things you do in the morning?

4. PERSONAL: Jesus quoted the Bible when Satan tempted Him. Have you memorized Bible

LUKE — WEEK FIVE

DISCUSSION — LESSON 4

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: CHAIN TAG

Two players are chosen to be "IT". They join hands and with their free hand try to tag the other players. The first player tagged joins hands between the two "IT". The remaining players, when tagged, join the tag line between the original two "IT". Only end players (IT) may tag. It is permissible for a player to break through or go under the joined hands of the line. When the chain has been broken, it must unite again before tagging resumes. The game ends when the last player is caught or when a time limit has been reached. The last two players tagged become "IT". Set boundary lines to restrict play to a small area.

15 - 25 minutes discussion LESSON 4

to end of class Craft: STAINED GLASS WINDOW

MATERIALS

waxed paper glue
scissors warm iron
colored construction paper
colored tissue paper or white tissue paper colored with crayons,
pens, or colored pencils

Cut or tear tissue paper into various shapes. Make a "window" shape out of two pieces of waxed paper; arrange tissue paper pieces on one piece of waxed paper "window;" cover with second piece. Press with warm iron to seal layers together. Make a frame for "window" by cutting the center out of two pieces of construction paper. When waxed paper "window" is cool, place between construction sheets. Glue edges of construction paper inside and outside, enclosing "window." Tape "window" to a real window so the sun can shine through.

LUKE — LESSON 4 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 3, verses 21 - 38.

- 1. How old was Jesus when He began His public ministry? 30.
- 2. What is Jesus called in John 1:29 when He came to be baptized? "The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him. He said 'Look! There is the Lamb of God who takes away the world's sin!" [Lambs were the common sacrifice for forgiveness of sin.]
- 3. What does Luke 3:22 say happened as Jesus was praying? "The Holy Spirit settled upon Him in the form of a dove. And a voice from Heaven said, 'You are My much-loved Son. Yes, You are My delight."

[INFORMATION ONLY: if someone asks about the genealogy difference between Matthew 1:2-17 and Luke 3:23-38, the Luke genealogy is that of Mary. The one found in Matthew is that of Joseph. Both indicate Mary and Joseph are the blood line of David. Matthew shows the "legal" title to the throne of David came through Joseph; while Luke shows the "blood" title to the throne of David came through Mary.]

Read Luke chapter 4, verses 1 - 13.

- 1. **CHALLENGE**: In your own words, what happened after Jesus' baptism? The Holy Spirit led Him into the desert where Satan tempted Him. Satan wanted to have Jesus turn stones into bread; he wanted to give Jesus the world; have Him test God's protection. Jesus used Scripture to rebuke Satan. He went without food for 40 days and nights.
- 2. Read Matthew 4:11. Who took care of Jesus after Satan left Him? "Then Satan went away. And angels came and took care of Jesus."
- 3. **HARD**: Why do you think Jesus was tempted? See Hebrews 4:14-15 to help you with your answer. "But Jesus the Son of God is our great High Priest. He has gone to Heaven itself to help us. Therefore let us never stop trusting Him. This High Priest of ours understands how weak we are. He had the same temptations we do. But He never once gave way to them and sinned."
- 4. **PERSONAL**: Jesus quoted the Bible when Satan tempted Him. Have you memorized Bible verses to know how to act when you are tempted?

Read Luke chapter 4, verses 14 - 21.

1. What does Luke 4:14-15 tell us about Jesus after He returned to Galilee in the power of the Holy Spirit? "Then Jesus went back to Galilee, full of the Holy Spirit's power. Soon He became well known throughout all that region. He became famous for His sermons in the synagogues. Everyone praised Him."

- 2. What does Luke 4:16 say He did next? "Then He came to the village of Nazareth, His boyhood home. He went as usual to the synagogue on Saturday. And He stood up to read the Scriptures."
- 3. **PERSONAL**: Jesus worshipped weekly. Do you attend church weekly?

Read Luke chapter 4, verses 22 - 44.

- 1. After Jesus escaped the mob, where did He go? See Luke 4:31. "Then He went back to Capernaum, a city in Galilee. He preached there in the synagogue every Saturday."
- 2. How did the people feel about Jesus in Capernaum? "Here, too, the people were amazed at the things He said. For He spoke as One Who knew the truth. He didn't just quote the opinions of others as His authority."
- 3. What does Mark 1:35 say Jesus did early in the morning? "The next morning He was up long before daybreak. He went out alone into the wilderness to pray."
- 4. **PERSONAL**: Is prayer one of the first things you do in the morning?

LUKE — LESSON 5

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read	Luke	chap	ter 5	, verses	1	-	11	L
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- 1. In Luke 5:1, where was Jesus preaching?
- 2. Why did Jesus have to get into the boat?
- 3. Although Peter was tired, how did he answer Jesus' suggestion to fish in deeper water?
- 4. **HARD**: God tells us in the Bible we are to be obedient. But sometimes we don't want to obey God, especially when someone hurts us. We want to hurt them back. What does Philippians 2:13 say about God's help?
- 5. What happened because Simon Peter obeyed?

Read Luke chapter 5, verses 12 - 26.

- 1. Who came to Jesus to be healed in Luke 5:12?
- 2. Did Jesus heal him?
- 3. Luke 5:16 tells us Jesus went somewhere and did something. What does this verse say?

4. PERSONAL : Do you pray often?
5. Where did the men listed in Luke 5:17 come from?
6. How did the sick man get to Jesus?
7. After the man was healed, what did he do? See Luke 5:25.
8. PERSONAL : Have you had enough faith to tell a friend about Jesus, or to bring anyone to church?
Read Luke chapter 5, verses 27 - 35.
1. What was the tax collector's name?
2. Levi has another name. It is found in Matthew 9:9. What is it?
3. Luke 5:8-11 tells us Peter, James and John left everything and went with Jesus. What did Levi do when Jesus asked him to be a disciple?
4. Jesus was the guest of honor at a banquet in Levi's home. Who else was there?
5. Who complained about this dinner?
6. RISKY : What do you think the overabundant catch of fish, the healing of the man with leprosy, and the healing and forgiving of the paralyzed man have in common?

LUKE — WEEK SIX

DISCUSSION — LESSON 5

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: KNOCK, KNOCK

Players sit on the floor, behind "IT," who is seated on a chair in front of them, facing forward. Someone is chosen to knock on back of IT's chair. IT asks "Who's there?" (or something similar). Knocker disguises voice, and says "Who am I?" (or something similar). IT is allowed three tries to guess who the knocker is. If IT guesses correctly, Knocker becomes IT. If IT cannot guess, he looks to see the knocker, and remains IT. (Or you may wish to have Knocker be IT in order to give everyone a chance at guessing.)

15 - 20 minutes discussion LESSON 5

to end of class CRAFT: TILE MAGNET

MATERIALS

small (1 to 1-1/2") white ceramic tiles (from hardware or paint store) small (1/2" or less) Christian stickers magnetic squares or tapes (from craft store) paint & brushes

Mod Podge or shellac glue

Paint the tile, or leave white. Allow to dry. Paint a small picture, word, or any design onto the small ceramic tile. Allow to dry. Stick small Christian sticker on tile, if there is room. Cover with a coat of Mod Podge or shellac. Allow to dry. When dry, glue magnet strip or square onto back.

LUKE — LESSON 5 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 5, verses 1 - 11.

- 1. In Luke 5:1, where was Jesus preaching? on the shore of the Sea of Galilee; or the Lake of Gennesaret. [This lake or sea had three names: Sea of Galilee, Sea of Tiberias and Lake of Gennesaret.]
- 2. Why did Jesus have to get into the boat? <u>verse 1b</u>: "And great crowds pressed in on Him to listen to the Word of God." [Jesus taught without a microphone and loud speakers. There wasn't as much noise as there is today to compete with His speaking. If you have ever been camped on a lake when it is very quiet, you'll notice you can hear people in other campsites because sound carries when there is no other noise around. It is possible that is how the people heard Jesus when He taught near the seashore or on the hillside. When there is no other sound to compete with, voices can be heard great distances.]
- 3. Although Peter was tired, what was his answer to Jesus' suggestion to fish in deeper water? verse 5: "'Sir,' Simon replied, 'we worked hard all last night. But we didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, we'll try again." [He obeyed in spite of how he felt. Sometimes we have to obey God, our parents, or others, in spite of how we feel.]
- 4. **HARD**: God tells us in the Bible we are to be obedient. But sometimes we don't want to obey God, especially when someone hurts us. We want to hurt them back. What does Philippians 2:13 say about God's help? "For God is at work within you. He helps you to want to obey Him. And He helps you to do what He wants."
- 5. What happened because Simon Peter obeyed? "And this time their nets were so full, they began to tear! A shout for help brought their partners in the other boat. And soon both boats were filled with fish. They were so full that they almost sank!"

Read Luke chapter 5, verses 12 - 26.

- 1. Who came to Jesus to be healed in Luke 5:12? A man with leprosy.
- 2. Did Jesus heal him? Yes. [Here was a man who was untouchable. Lepers were banished from society as unclean (Discovering Luke, The "Guideposts" Home Bible Study Program). To be unclean meant the leper could not touch anyone, or be touched. He had to stay away from everyone and everything. He had to yell "Leper" if he entered an area where people were so that they could get out of his way.]
- 3. Luke 5:16 tells us Jesus went somewhere and did something. What does this verse say? "But Jesus often went into the wilderness to pray."

- 4. **PERSONAL**: Do you pray often?
- 5. Where did the men listed in Luke 5:17 come from? "Some Jewish religious leaders and teachers of the Law were sitting nearby. It seemed that these men came from every village in all Galilee and Judea. They also came from Jerusalem."
- 6. How did the sick man get to Jesus? Four of his friends carried him on a mat. When they couldn't get close enough to have Jesus touch him, they hauled him onto the roof, cut a hole in it, and let him down in front of Jesus.
- 7. After the man was healed, what did he do? See Luke 5:25. "And as everyone watched, the man jumped to his feet. He picked up his mat and went home praising God!"
- 8. **PERSONAL**: Have you had enough faith to tell a friend about Jesus, or to bring anyone to church?

Read Luke chapter 5, verses 27 - 35.

- 1. What was the tax collector's name? <u>Levi.</u> [<u>Tax collectors were hated by the people of Palestine.</u> They were under Roman authority. The Roman government set a rate of taxation, yet it didn't care how much tax was actually collected as long as it received the amount it had requested. These tax collectors could charge any amount they wanted and for anything and the people could do nothing about it. It was quite an unfair system.]
- 2. Levi has another name. It is found in Matthew 9:9. What is it? "As Jesus was going on down the road, He saw a tax collector. His name was Matthew. He was sitting at a tax collection booth."
- 3. Luke 5:8-11 tells us Peter, James and John left everything and went with Jesus. What did Levi do when Jesus asked him to be a disciple? <u>verse 28: "So Levi left everything, jumped up, and went with Him."</u>
- 4. Jesus was the guest of honor at a banquet in Levi's home. Who else was there? <u>verse 29b: "Many of Levi's fellow tax collectors and other guests were there." [We can assume Jesus told them about the kingdom of God.]</u>
- 5. Who complained about this dinner? <u>verse 30: "But the Pharisees and teachers of the Law were angry about it. They complained to Jesus' disciples about His eating with such sinners."</u>
- 6. **RISKY**: What do you think the overabundant catch of fish, the healing of the man with leprosy, and the healing and forgiving of the paralyzed man have in common? <u>All took an act of faith</u> and trust in Jesus.

LUKE - LESSON 6

Before you begin your lesson:

a.	Pray f	or God's F	Ioly Spirit	to help	you	answer	the	question	ns.
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b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."

c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read	Luke	cha	pter	6,	verses	1	-	11	•
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1.	What	did	Jesus	do	that	was	against	the	law?	
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- 2. Who was in the synagogue the same Sabbath Jesus was? See Luke 6:6 for your answer.
- 3. What did Jesus do for him?
- 4. **HARD**: Everyone could see and hear what Jesus did because He did it where all could see Him. What does John 18:19,20 say about this?

Read Luke chapter 6, verses 12 - 26.

- 1. What did Jesus do before He chose His apostles?
- 2. Using a dictionary, or Bible dictionary, what do these words mean?

DISCIPLE:

APOSTLE:

3. What were the names of these 12 men?

4. People came from all over to hear Jesus and be healed. What does Luke 6:19 tell us about the healings?
5. What does Luke 6:22 say our attitude should be when someone hurts us because we belong to Jesus?
6. PERSONAL : Is it hard to do what Jesus said in Luke 6:22?
7. What does 1 Peter 5:9 say?
Read Luke chapter 6, verses 27 - 49.
1. How are we to treat our enemies according to Luke 6:27 and 28?
2. RISKY : These verses are similar to the beatitudes in Matthew 5-7. They are the picture of the perfect Christian. How can we live as Jesus tells us to? See Philippians 2:13 for your answer.
3. Luke 6:35 also tells us how we are to treat our enemies. What does it say?
4. Sometimes it's hard to love our enemies. Where does I John 4:7,8 tell us we get this love Jesus talked about?
5. PERSONAL : Have you asked Jesus to be your Savior so you can have His love in your heart?

LUKE — WEEK SEVEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 6

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: BALL CALL

Players form a standing circle, with IT in the center. IT tosses the ball in the air, simultaneously calling out the name of a player in the circle. That player tries to catch the ball before it bounces more than one time. If the ball is caught, that player becomes IT. If not, IT remains until the ball is caught.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 6

to end of class CRAFT: WALL HANGING

MATERIALS

colored construction paper craft sticks heart pattern (see below) scissors glue yarn 8 1/2" x 11" white construction paper paints, crayons or felt tip pens

Have students draw their hand in center of white construction paper. Cut out one heart per student from any color construction paper. Glue heart in center of hand. Write the phrase "HANDS TO WORK, HEARTS TO GOD" below the drawing of the hand. Glue two craft sticks to top and bottom of paper. Attach yarn to top craft sticks for hanging. Yarn may be glued to craft sticks, or stapled to them. Any other decoration the student desires can be added using paints, crayons, or felt tip pen.



LUKE — LESSON 6 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 6, verses 1 - 11.

- 1. What did Jesus do that was against the law? verse 1,2: "One Sabbath Jesus and His disciples were walking through some fields. As they went, they broke off the heads of wheat. Then they rubbed off the husks in their hands and ate the grains. But some Pharisees said, 'That's against the law! Your disciples are harvesting grain. And it's against the Jewish law to work on the Sabbath." [It wasn't against the Mosaic Law (Deut. 23:25), but it was against the Pharisees' interpretation of the law, or the rules and regulations they had set up to define the law. Jesus didn't argue with them about this incident. His point was to show mercy, as we shall see later.]
- 2. Who was in the synagogue the same Sabbath Jesus was? See Luke 6:6 for your answer. "On another Sabbath He was in the synagogue teaching. A man was there whose right hand was crippled."
- 3. What did Jesus do for him? He healed his hand. [Another act of mercy. For those watching Jesus, this act of mercy broke their Sabbath law. God's mercy does not rest. We have His mercy whenever we ask.]
- 4. **HARD**: Everyone could see and hear what Jesus did because He did it where all could see Him. What does John 18:19,20 say about this? John 18:19, 20: "Inside, the High Priest began asking Jesus questions. He asked Jesus about His followers and His teachings. Jesus replied, 'What I teach is widely known. I have preached regularly in the synagogues and Temple. I have been heard by all the Jewish leaders. I have taught nothing in private that I have not said in public."

Read Luke chapter 6, verses 12 - 26.

- 1. What did Jesus do before He chose His apostles? <u>verse 12: "One day soon after that He went out into the mountains to pray. He prayed there all night."</u>
- 2. Using a dictionary, or Bible dictionary, what do these words mean?

DISCIPLE: "One who accepts and assists in spreading the doctrines of another" (Webster's) [a learner]. "One who professes to have learned certain principles from another and maintains them on that other's authority" (Unger's Bible Dictionary).

APOSTLE: "One sent on a mission: as one of an authoritative New Testament group sent out to preach the gospel and made up especially of Christ's 12 original disciples and Paul" (Webster's); "One sent with a special message or commission" (Unger's).

- 3. What were the names of these 12 men? Simon, also called Peter; Andrew; James; John; Philip; Bartholomew; Matthew; Thomas; James, the son of Alphaeus; Simon the Zealot; Judas son of James; and Judas Iscariot.
- 4. People came from all over to hear Jesus and be healed. What does Luke 6:19 tell us about the healings? "Everyone was trying to touch Him. And when they did, they were healed. For healing power went out from Him." [But more than physical healing, Jesus wanted to heal their hearts from the effects of sin, as He does today.]
- 5. What does Luke 6:22 say our attitude should be when someone hurts us because we belong to Jesus? "Happy are you when others hate you and exclude you because you know me! Happy are you when people insult you and smear your name because you are Mine!"
- 6. **PERSONAL**: Is it hard to do what Jesus said in Luke 6:22?
- 7. What does 1 Peter 5:9 say? "Stand firm when [Satan] attacks. Trust the Lord. Remember that other Christians all around the world are going through these sufferings too."

Read Luke chapter 6, verses 27 - 49.

- 1. How are we to treat our enemies according to Luke 6:27 and 28? "Listen, all of you! Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Pray for the happiness of those who curse you. Ask God to bless those who hurt you."
- 2. **RISKY**: These verses are similar to the beatitudes in Matthew 5:7. They are the picture of the perfect Christian. How can we live as Jesus tells us to? See Philippians 2:13 for your answer. "For God is at work within you. He helps you want to obey Him. And He helps you do what He wants."
- 3. Luke 6:35 also tells us how we are to treat our enemies. What does it say? "Love your enemies! Do good to them! Lend to them! And don't worry about the fact that they won't pay you back. Then your reward from Heaven will be very great. And you will truly be acting like sons of God. For He is kind to the unthankful and those who are wicked."
- 4. Sometimes it's hard to love our enemies. Where does 1 John 4:7,8 tell us we get this love Jesus talked about? "Dear friends, let us practice loving each other. Love comes from God. Everyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. But a person who doesn't love doesn't know God, because God is love."
- 5. **PERSONAL**: Have you asked Jesus to be your Savior so you can have His love in your heart?

LUKE - LESSON 7

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.
- Read Luke chapter 7, verses 1 17. 1. Who is sick in Luke 7:2? 2. **HARD**: What nationality was the centurion? 3. What did the centurion do? 4. **RISKY**: Why do you think this Roman soldier was different than other Romans? 5. Did Jesus heal the slave? See verse 10. 6. What did Jesus say about this man's faith? 7. Jesus was in Capernaum when He healed the slave. Where did He go next? 8. Who had died? 9. **PERSONAL**: How would you have felt if you had seen Jesus raise someone from the dead?
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Would you have praised God as the people did?

Read Luke chapter 7, verses 18 - 30.

1. Read Luke 3:19,20 again. Where is John the Baptist?
2. John sent two disciples to ask Jesus if He was the expected One. What did Jesus tell the disciples?
3. What was the reaction of the Pharisees and teachers of Moses' Law? See Luke 7:30.
Read Luke chapter 7, verses 31 - 50.
1. Who asked Jesus to eat in his home?
2. After they sat down to eat, who entered according to verse 37?
3. What three things did she do that Simon should have done? See verses 44-46.
4. In the parable, who loved the man more?
5. What did Jesus say about the woman's sins?
6. According to Jesus' words, what saved the woman?
7. PERSONAL : If you love Jesus, what do you do to SHOW your love?

LUKE - WEEK EIGHT

DISCUSSION — LESSON 7

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: BARNYARD

Divide into teams of two or three, depending on size of class. Each team chooses an animal that would be found on a farm: chickens, roosters, cows, cattle, dogs, sheep, horses, etc. Choose someone to be IT. When teams have their animals, tell the animal names to IT so IT knows what to call. Set boundaries: start, finish, play area. Teams stand behind the start line. IT stands in the middle of play area between the start and finish lines. IT calls out an animal, such as: COW. The COW team tries to race to the finish line without being tagged. When a player is tagged, player stops and sits where tagged. Player then helps IT tag remaining players. Game continues from start to finish lines, and back again, as long as there are runners. If IT calls BARNYARD, all players run.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 7

to end of class CRAFT: ABSTRACT WATER COLOR BANNER

MATERIALS

empty salt or spice bottle shakers dry tempera paint poster board spray bottle (one)

Fill empty salt/spice bottles with various colors of tempera paint. Sprinkle paint onto picture; spray with water. Allow to dry. When dry, shake off excess paint. Sprinkle again and spray again if desired for a thicker colored picture. Create your own designs; you can experiment using different combinations of colors.

LUKE — LESSON 7 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 7, verses 1 - 17.

- 1. Who is sick in Luke 7:2? "At that time, a Roman army captain's slave was sick and near death." [Some translations say "centurion." A centurion commanded 100 men.]
- 2. **HARD**: What nationality was the centurion? <u>It is likely that since he was a captain in the Roman army, he was a Roman, or Gentile.</u>
- 3. What did the centurion do? <u>verse 3: "When the captain heard about Jesus, he sent some Jewish elders to speak to Him. He told them to ask Jesus to come and heal his slave."</u>
- 4. **RISKY**: Why do you think this Roman soldier was different than other Romans? <u>verse 5</u>: "For he loves the Jews. He even built a synagogue for us!" [However, the rule of thumb for that day said a slave was considered a living tool. When tools became broken or old, they were to be discarded. Likewise, a "living" tool, who could no longer perform his duties was to be cast out to die.]
- 5. Did Jesus heal the slave? <u>See verse 10. "Then the captain's friends went back to his house. And they found the slave completely healed."</u>
- 6. What did Jesus say about this man's faith? verse 9: "When He heard this, Jesus was amazed. And He turned to the crowd following Him. 'I have never met a man with faith like this,' He said. 'None of all the Jews in Israel have such faith!'" [The centurion knew a Jew was forbidden by the law to enter the house of a gentile; that's why he suggested Jesus speak the words of healing.]
- 7. Jesus was in Capernaum when He healed the slave. Where did He go next? Nain [a day's journey from Capernaum].
- 8. Who had died? verse 12b: The boy who had died was the only son of his widowed mother.
- 9. **PERSONAL**: How would you have felt if you had seen Jesus raise someone from the dead? Would you have praised God as the people did?

Read Luke chapter 7, verses 18 - 30.

- 1. Read Luke 3:19,20 again. Where is John the Baptist? <u>In prison</u>.
- 2. John sent two disciples to ask Jesus if He was the expected One. What did Jesus tell the disciples? verse 22: "Go back to John. Tell him all you have seen and heard here today. Tell him

how those who were blind can now see. Tell him that the lame are walking without a limp. Tell him that the lepers are completely healed. Tell him that the deaf can hear again. Tell him that the dead come back to life. Tell him that the poor are hearing the Good News."

3. What was the reaction of the Pharisees and teachers of Moses' Law? See Luke 7:30. "Everyone agreed, that is, except the Pharisees and teachers of Moses' Law. They rejected God's plan for them and refused John's baptisms."

Read Luke chapter 7, verses 31 - 50.

- 1. Who asked Jesus to eat in his home? verse 36: a Pharisee.
- 2. After they sat down to eat, who entered according to verse 37? A prostitute.
- 3. What three things did she do that Simon should have done? See verses 44-46:
 - 1. She washed Jesus' feet with her tears and dried them with her hair.
 - 2. She kissed His feet.
 - 3. She covered His feet with perfume.
- 4. In the parable, who loved the man more? verse 43: "The one who had owed him the most."
- 5. What did Jesus say about the woman's sins? <u>verse 47,48: "Therefore, though her sins are many, she is forgiven.</u> For she loved much. But one who is forgiven little shows little love.' And He said to her, 'Your sins are forgiven.'"
- 6. According to Jesus' words, what saved the woman? <u>verse 50: "And Jesus said to the woman, 'Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."</u>
- 7. **PERSONAL**: If you love Jesus, what do you do to SHOW your love?

LUKE - LESSON 8

Before you begin your lesson:

a.	Pray	for	God	's Hol	y S	pirit to	help	you	answer	the c	questions.

- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

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1. Soon, Jesus began touring Galilee. From your dictionary, what does tour mean?
2. Who traveled with Jesus?
3. HARD : In the parable Jesus told in Luke 8:4-15, who or what are the following?
SOWER:
SEEDS:
ROAD OR FOOTPATH:
BIRDS:
ROCKY SOIL:
THORNS:
GOOD SOIL:
4. PERSONAL : To which group do you belong?

Read Luke chapter 8, verses 16 - 25.

1. According to Luke 8:16, where is a lighted candle to be placed?
2. What does John 8:12 say about light?
3. RISKY : Since Jesus is the Light of the world, and light should be seen, how can you show you have Jesus in you?
4. Can we keep secrets? See Luke 8:17 for your answer.
5. The crowd was so large around Jesus that His family couldn't reach Him. Who did Jesus say were His mother and brothers?
6. What happened while Jesus was napping in the boat?
7. How did Jesus stop the storm?
8. RISKY : Read Psalm 33:9 in a modern translation. What does it say about God's spoken word?
Read Luke chapter 8, verses 26 - 40.
1. Where did the man live who had the demons?
2. What does Luke 8:29a say Jesus was doing for him?

3. How did Jesus answer the man in Luke 8:39?

	Read	Luke	cha	pter	8.	verses	40	- 56.
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1. Who was among the crowd waiting for Jesus, and what was his job?
2. What was wrong with Jairus' daughter?
3. How did Jesus know someone touched Him? See Luke 8:46 for your answer.
4. What happened to the little girl while Jesus was healing the woman on the street?
5. What did Jesus tell Jairus in Luke 8:50?
6. Did the little girl live?
7. What miracles did Jesus do in this chapter?
8. RISKY: What did the demon-possessed man, the bleeding woman, and the father of the dead child have in common?
9. According to Hebrews 11:1, what is faith?
10. What did you learn about God's love when you studied Jesus' miracles?

LUKE — WEEK NINE

DISCUSSION — LESSON 8

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

10 minutes have children color Epsom salt so it can dry before packaging

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: INDOOR TAG

Draw a circle about four feet in diameter on the floor (masking tape is easily removed and no damage is done). IT stands in the middle of the circle. The teacher calls out the names of three children. These three must try to get into the circle before IT tags them. The game continues with the first one being tagged becoming IT. If no one is tagged, IT remains until a new one is tagged.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 8

to end of class CRAFT: BATH SALTS

MATERIALS

jars with lids (1 per child) paper towels

food coloring 1/2 cup measuring cup

paper plates plastic spoon perfume ribbon, fabric 1 cup Epsom salts per child (sold at drug stores)

Measure 1/2 cup Epsom salts into a jar. Add food coloring, about 15 drops of one color, or equal amount of two colors to create a new color, cover and shake until salts are evenly colored. Pour salts onto paper plates in order to dry. Wipe out jar to ready it for the dry colored Epsom salts.

When salts are dry, pour them back into the jars. The students can make several colors and then mix them to make a pretty design in their jars, or have the jars all one color. Add a few drops of perfume. Cover with lid and wrap ribbon around it. Or glue fabric over top for a fancy gift.

LUKE — LESSON 8 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 8, verses 1 - 15.

- 1. Soon, Jesus began touring Galilee. From your dictionary, what does tour mean? "A passing through or going around from place to place to give performances or inspect" (The Holt Intermediate Dictionary of American English).
- 2. Who traveled with Jesus? verses 1-3: "And He took his 12 disciples with Him. Some women went along, too. These women had been healed of sickness or delivered from demons. Among them was Mary Magdalene. Jesus had cast out seven demons from her. There was also Joanna, Chuza's wife. Chuza was King Herod's business manager. He was in charge of Herod's palace and domestic affairs. There were also Susanna and many others. They all gave from their own money to support Jesus and His disciples." [Mary Magdalene, according to tradition, had a dark past; Joanna, was the wife of a trusted and important official in King Herod's court, a lady. It is interesting to note they worked together in support of Jesus. It was not a common custom to have different classes of people be in the same group. Not much is known about Susanna. This diverse group used their resources to support Jesus.]
- 3. **HARD**: In the parable Jesus told in Luke 8:4-15, who or what are the following?

SOWER: Jesus.

SEEDS: God's message to men.

ROAD OR FOOTPATH: Hard hearts.

BIRDS: Devil.

ROCKY SOIL: Those who enjoy listening to sermons, but the message doesn't take root in their lives. They know the message is true. And they sort of believe for awhile. But when the hot winds of trouble blow they lose interest.

THORNS: Those who listen and believe God's words. But later their faith is choked out by worry, riches, and the pleasures of life. And so they are never able to help anyone else to believe the Good News.

GOOD SOIL: <u>Honest, good-hearted people. They listen to God's words and cling to them. And they steadily spread them to others who also soon believe.</u>

4. **PERSONAL**: To which group do you belong?

Read Luke chapter 8, verses 16 - 25.

- 1. According to Luke 8:16, where is a lighted candle to be placed? <u>In the open where it can be seen.</u>
- 2. What does John 8:12 say about light? "Later, Jesus spoke to the people. He said, 'I am the Light of the world. If you follow Me, you won't stumble through the darkness. Living light will guide your path."
- 3. **RISKY**: Since Jesus is the Light of the world, and light should be seen, how can you show you have Jesus in you? [A Christian should always be willing to tell others about Jesus, love and do good to others, avoid doing anything that would displease God (or parents). The way to do that is to know what God's Word says about pleasing Him.]
- 4. Can we keep secrets? See Luke 8:17 for your answer. No. "In the same way, someday everything shall be brought to light. The secrets of men's hearts will be made known to all."
- 5. The crowd was so large around Jesus that His family couldn't reach Him. Who did Jesus say were His mother and brothers? <u>verse 21: "So He said, 'My mother and brothers are those who hear God's message and obey it."</u> [This was not denying Jesus' family relationship, but showing a relationship that is more permanent eternal life.]
- 6. What happened while Jesus was napping in the boat? <u>verse 23: "On the way across, Jesus lay down for a nap. While He was sleeping the wind began to rise. A fierce storm came up on the lake. And the boat was in real danger of sinking."</u>
- 7. How did Jesus stop the storm? <u>verse 24b: "So He spoke to the storm. 'Quiet down,' He said.</u> And the wind and waves stopped and all was calm!"
- 8. **RISKY:** Read Psalm 33:9 in a modern translation. What does it say about God's spoken word? "For when He spoke the world began! It appeared at his command."

Read Luke chapter 8, verses 26 - 40.

- 1. Where did the man live who had the demons? <u>verse 27</u>: "As Jesus climbed out of the boat, he was met by a man from the town. This man had been demon-possessed for a long time. He didn't live in a house and he didn't wear any clothes. He lived in a graveyard among the tombs."
- 2. What does Luke 8:29a say Jesus was doing for him? "For Jesus was already commanding the demon to leave him."

3. How did Jesus answer the man in Luke 8:39? "Go back to your family," He told him. "Tell them what a great thing God has done for you."

Read Luke chapter 8, verses 40 - 56.

- 1. Who was among the crowd waiting for Jesus, and what was his job? <u>Jairus. "He was a leader of a Jewish synagogue."</u> [He was an important person in running the synagogue, but was not a priest.]
- 2. What was wrong with Jairus' daughter? <u>verse 42: "For his only child was dying, a little girl 12 years old. Jesus went with him, pushing through the crowds."</u>
- 3. How did Jesus know someone touched Him? See Luke 8:46 for your answer. "But Jesus told him, 'No, it was someone who touched Me on purpose. For I felt healing power go out from me." [He knew it was someone with great faith that had touched Him. It wasn't just the pushing of the crowds.]
- 4. What happened to the little girl while Jesus was healing the woman on the street? Word had come that she had died.
- 5. What did Jesus tell Jairus in Luke 8:50? "Jesus heard what had happened. So He said to the father, 'Don't be afraid! Just trust Me, and she'll be all right.""
- 6. Did the little girl live? <u>Yes</u>.
- 7. What miracles did Jesus do in this chapter? <u>He calmed the sea. He healed the man with demons.</u> He healed the woman in the crowd. He returned to life Jairus' daughter.
- 8. **RISKY**: What did the demon-possessed man, the bleeding woman, and the father of the dead child have in common? They had faith in Jesus to do something special in their lives. They had been made well. [Jesus can heal us too, not only with spiritual healing, but with physical healing if we just ask Him in prayer and faith, believing He will do it. And the way He heals is so that He receives glory and praise.]
- 9. According to Hebrews 11:1, what is faith? "What is faith? It is the confident knowledge that something we want is going to happen. It is the confidence that what we hope for is waiting for us. We know it is there even though we cannot see it up ahead."
- 10. What did you learn about God's love when you studied Jesus' miracles? [In heaven there will be no pain or sorrow. We have heard about the Kingdom of God, and Jesus has shown us that Kingdom on earth when He did His healing, and when He does His healing today. And the healing is both spiritual and physical. It is a personal relationship with Him.]

LUKE — LESSON 9

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 1 - 9.

- 1. Jesus called His disciples together. He gave them the power to cast out demons and heal disease. Then He told them to do something. What did He tell them to do?
- 2. **RISKY:** Why do you think they had to go out and tell everyone?
- 3. Besides the common people, who else heard what the Apostles were doing, and even wanted to see Jesus?

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 10 - 21.

- 1. Jesus took the apostles to Bethsaida for some quiet fellowship time. What happened to disturb this time and what was Jesus' reaction?
- 2. **PERSONAL**: Have you ever wanted to spend time alone with someone special only to be interrupted? How did the interruption make you feel?
- 3. In this miracle, Jesus takes a small amount of food and feeds 5,000 men; this does not include women and children. What steps did Jesus take to feed this large group?

5. HARD : Peter replied, "You are the Messiah of God!" How did Peter know to say this? See Matthew 16:17 to help with your answer.
6. What orders did Jesus give His disciples after Peter's statement?
Read Luke chapter 9, verses 22 - 36.
1. CHALLENGE : What did Jesus tell His disciples He had to do now?
2. RISKY : "Then He said, 'You might want to follow Me. But if you do, you must put aside what you want. You must carry your cross with you every day. And you must keep close to Me!" What do you think this statement from <i>The Simplified Living Bible Text</i> means?
3. When Jesus was on the mountain, Moses and Elijah spoke with Him. They appeared in a brigh light. What did they tell Jesus?
4. When the cloud appeared, Peter, James and John were afraid. What does 2 Timothy 1:7 say about fear?
5. What did the voice in the cloud tell them?

4. What did Jesus ask His disciples in Luke 9:18?

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 37 - 50.

1. Jesus told the people they had little what?
2. Who did have faith?
3. In Luke 9:35, God told the disciples to listen to Jesus. What does Jesus say in Luke 9:44?
4. Why didn't the disciples understand Him?
5. The disciples were ordinary people like us. And sometimes they acted like little kids. Why did they argue?
6. What does 1 Peter 5:5 say about giving in?
Read Luke chapter 9, verses 51 - 62.
1. What group of people did not want Jesus to spend the night in their village?
2. If we want to follow Jesus, what does Mark 12:30 tell us we should do?

LUKE - WEEK TEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 9

15 - 20 minutes have children begin pretzel wreath

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: COTTON BALL FOOTBALL

Divide into two teams; mark goal lines. Place a cotton ball between the two goals. Each team gets on their hands and knees behind its goal line. At the signal, each team member crawls to the cotton ball and tries to blow it across the opponent's goal line. The first team to accomplish the feat wins the game.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 9

to end of class CRAFT: PRETZEL WREATH

MATERIALS

16 mini pretzels per student glue shellac or mod podge 14 inches of 3/4" ribbon (red & green plaid) per wreath

Glue 8 pretzels side by side to form a circle; then glue remaining 8 in the same manner. Let dry. Lay one circle of pretzels upon the other, staggering the top circle so that the middle of the pretzels (where it crisscrosses) is on top of the glued joint of the bottom ring. Glue the two rings together and let dry. Shellac or mod podge the pretzel rings. Let dry. Weave the ribbon through the holes; going through both layers of pretzels. Glue ends of ribbons together, forming a complete ring. If desired, make a bow using contrasting ribbon.

LUKE — LESSON 9 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 1 - 9.

- 1. Jesus called His disciples together. He gave them the power to cast out demons and heal disease. Then He told them to do something. What did He tell them to do? <u>verse 2: "Then He sent them away. They were to tell everyone about the coming of the Kingdom of God. And they were to heal the sick." [First they were to "tell" about the Kingdom, and then "heal."]</u>
- 2. **RISKY**: Why do you think they had to go out and tell everyone? There were no newspapers, television, or radio. News spread by word of mouth.
- 3. Besides the common people, who else heard what the apostles were doing, and even wanted to see Jesus? Herod.

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 10 - 21.

- 1. Jesus took the apostles to Bethsaida for some quiet fellowship time. What happened to disturb this time, and what was Jesus' reaction? <u>verse 11: "But the crowds found out where He was going and followed. Jesus welcomed them. He taught them again about the Kingdom of God. And He healed those who were sick."</u>
- 2. **PERSONAL**: Have you ever wanted to spend time alone with someone special only to be interrupted? How did the interruption make you feel?
- 3. In this miracle, Jesus takes a small amount of food and feeds 5,000 men; this does not include women and children. What steps did Jesus take to feed this large group? First, they sat down in groups of about 50. Then He took the fish and loaves and thanked God for them. He then broke them into pieces for the disciples to hand to the people.
- 4. What did Jesus ask His disciples in Luke 9:18? "Who do the people say I am?"
- 5. **HARD**: Peter replied, "You are the Messiah of God!" How did Peter know to say this? See Matthew 16:17 to help with your answer. "God has blessed you, Simon, son of Jonah,' Jesus said. 'For My Father in Heaven has told you this. This truth has not come from any human source." [The Holy Spirit inspired Peter to give the right answer. Jesus was asking to see if the disciples had learned Who He was. Just as each of us has to learn Who Jesus is.]
- 6. What orders did Jesus give His disciples after Peter's statement? They weren't to tell anyone what they had discovered.

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 22 - 36.

- 1. **CHALLENGE**: What did Jesus tell His disciples He had to do now? "For I, the Messiah, must suffer much,' He said. 'I will be rejected by the Jewish leaders. The elders, chief priests, and teachers of the Law will not believe in Me. And I will be killed. Then three days later I will come back to life again!" [This is the first time Jesus predicts His death.]
- 2. **RISKY**: "Then He said, 'You might want to follow Me. But if you do, you must put aside what you want. You must carry your cross with you every day. And you must keep close to Me!" What do you think this statement from *The Simplified Living Bible Text* means? [If we want to follow Jesus, we must be willing to find out what will please Him, how He wants us to live, and put His way of living and the needs of others before our own desires. To carry our cross means we must be willing to endure anything for being loyal to Jesus. We must not let anything keep us from following Jesus.]
- 3. When Jesus was on the mountain, Moses and Elijah spoke with Him. They appeared in a bright light. What did they tell Jesus? <u>verse 31: "They appeared in heavenly glory. They were speaking of His death at Jerusalem. For this was part of God's plan."</u>
- 4. When the cloud appeared, Peter, James and John were afraid. What does 2 Timothy 1:7 say about fear? "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity [fear], but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline."
- 5. What did the voice in the cloud tell them? <u>verse 35: "A voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is My Son, whom I have chosen; listen to Him."</u>

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 37 - 50.

- 1. Jesus told the people they had little what? Faith.
- 2. Who did have faith? The boy's father.
- 3. In Luke 9:35, God told the disciples to listen to Jesus. What does Jesus say in Luke 9:44? "Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'Listen to Me. Remember what I say. I, the Messiah, am going to be betrayed." [This is the second time Jesus predicts His death.]
- 4. Why didn't the disciples understand Him? verse 45: "But the disciples didn't know what He meant. For their minds had been sealed. And they were afraid to ask Him what He meant."

- 5. The disciples were ordinary people like us. And sometimes they acted like little kids. Why did they argue? They were fighting about who would be the greatest. [They were talking about the Kingdom Jesus was going to bring. They still didn't understand He wouldn't reign as an earthly King just yet.]
- 6. What does 1 Peter 5:5 say about giving in? "You younger men, follow the leadership of those who are older. And all of you serve each other with humble spirits. God gives special blessings to those who are humble. But He sets Himself against those who are proud."

Read Luke chapter 9, verses 51 - 62.

- 1. What group of people did not want Jesus to spend the night in their village? The Samaritans. [The Samaritans were a mixed race of Jews. Purebred Jews looked down upon this group. The Samaritans so hindered travelers going between Galilee and southern Judea, they would go miles out of their way in order to avoid this territory. Jesus, on His way to Jerusalem, did not want to extend His travel, but was taking the quickest route possible. It is possible they previously had shown Him hospitality, but because He was going to Jerusalem, the Jewish place of worship and not Gerizim near Sychar, they refused Him lodging. They no longer wanted to be associated with Him.]
- 2. If we want to follow Jesus, what does Mark 12:30 tell us we should do? "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."

LUKE - LESSON 10

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 10, verses 1 -	20.
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- 1. How did Jesus send His disciples out in Luke 10:1?
- 2. What does Luke 10:2 say they were to do first?
- 3. What did Jesus say in 2 Timothy 4:2 about sharing the Gospel?
- 4. **PERSONAL**: What does 2 Timothy 4:2 mean to you?
- 5. When others are happy when you tell them about Jesus, who are they welcoming? See Luke 10:16.

Read Luke chapter 10, verses 21 - 24.

- 1. What did Jesus control?
- 2. CHALLENGE: How many of Jesus' disciples were blessed to see what they had seen?
- 3. Who else wanted to see these things?

Read Luke chapter 10, verses 25 - 37.

1. Who came to visit Jesus?
2. Jesus didn't answer the lawyer's question. He told a parable. Who are the people in the parable?
3. Who was the neighbor of the traveler? (Remember, the Samaritans and the Jews did not like each other.)
4. What does Romans 13:10 say about neighbors?
Read Luke chapter 10, verses 38 - 42.
1. In whose home did Jesus stay?
2. Who listened to Jesus?
3. Who did work for Jesus?
4. HARD : What good part did Mary choose?
5. How do we listen to Jesus?
6. PERSONAL : In today's lesson, we read about prayer, telling others about Jesus, helping a neighbor, and listening to Jesus. Which of these did you do this week?

LUKE — WEEK ELEVEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 10

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: INDIAN RUNNING

Choose 5 or 6 players to leave the room. These players will form a line, remembering the position they are in. They will reenter the room, running in a circle, and leave. When they return they are still in a line, but different positions. Choose one player to name the correct order the "Indians" first entered the room. The player who names correctly chooses 5 new players.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 10

to end of class CRAFT: DOUBLE-DECKER CANDLE HOLDERS

MATERIALS:

2 small jars, with lids — mustard, baby food, etc. plastic flowers, figures, etc. white glue glitter, sequins, buttons, etc. candle—size to fit inside jar

Be sure jars are clean of food and labels. Each holder should have 2 jars of the same size. Drop the plastic flower or decoration into one jar and screw on the lid. Turn upside down. The flower is now resting on the lid. Coat the upside down jar bottom with an ample amount of glue. Place the other jar bottom on top of the upside down jar bottom, and press down. Spread the outside of the jars with glue and sprinkle with glitter, sequins, buttons, etc. When the glue is dry, put a candle in the top jar. There is no lid on the top jar.

If you don't have enough jars for a double-decker candle holder, decorate the outside of one jar and place the candle inside. (No lid is required on this one.)

LUKE - LESSON 10 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 10, verses 1 - 20.

- 1. How did Jesus send His disciples out in Luke 10:1? He sent them out in pairs, or two at a time. [Most manuscripts say 70, some say 72. The number 70 was symbolic to the Jews. This was the number of elders who helped Moses (Numbers 11:16); this was the number of the Sanhedrin (the Supreme Court of the Jews); it was believed this was the number of the nations in the world at that time.]
- 2. What does Luke 10:2 say they were to do first? Pray. "This is what He told them: 'Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out more workers to help you. For the harvest (those who want to know about the Kingdom of God) is great, but the workers are so few."
- 3. What did Jesus say in 2 Timothy 4:2 about sharing the Gospel? "Preach the Word of God at all times. Do it whenever you get the chance. Do it in season and out. Do it when it is convenient and when it is not. Correct and rebuke people when they need it. Encourage them to do right. All the time feed them patiently with God's Word."
- 4. **PERSONAL**: What does 2 Timothy 4:2 mean to you?
- 5. When others are happy when you tell them about Jesus, who are they welcoming? See Luke 10:16. "Then He said to the disciples, 'Those who welcome you are welcoming Me. And those who reject you are rejecting Me. And those who reject Me are rejecting God Who sent Me."

Read Luke chapter 10, verses 21 - 24.

- 1. What did Jesus control? verse 22: All things.
- 2. **CHALLENGE**: How many of Jesus' disciples were blessed to see what they had seen? <u>verse</u> 23: 12 disciples.
- 3. Who else wanted to see these things? <u>verse 24</u>: "Many prophets and kings of old have wished for these days. They also wanted to see and hear what you have now seen and heard!"

Read Luke chapter 10, verses 25 - 37.

- 1. Who came to visit Jesus? An expert in Jewish law.
- 2. Jesus didn't answer the lawyer's question. He told a parable. Who are the people in the parable? The traveler, robbers, a Jewish priest, a Levite, and a Samaritan.

- 3. Who was the neighbor of the traveler? (Remember, the Samaritans and the Jews did not like each other.) The Samaritan.
- 4. What does Romans 13:10 say about neighbors? "Love does no wrong to a neighbor; love therefore is the fulfillment of the law."

Read Luke chapter 10, verses 38 - 42.

- 1. In whose home did Jesus stay? Mary and Martha.
- 2. Who listened to Jesus? Mary.
- 3. Who did work for Jesus? Martha.
- 4. **HARD**: What good part did Mary choose? <u>She chose to sit and listen to Jesus. [Martha had become so busy, she got frustrated and couldn't take time to listen to Jesus. We should never become so busy doing things for Jesus, that we forget to listen to Him.]</u>
- 5. How can we listen to Jesus? By going to church; reading our Bible; doing what the Bible says we should do.
- 6. **PERSONAL**: In today's lesson, we read about prayer, telling others about Jesus, helping a neighbor, and listening to Jesus. Which of these did you do this week?

LUKE — LESSON 11

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

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1. RISK	Y: Where was Jesus praying when one of His disciples asked Him how to pray?	
2. What	name did Jesus say needed to be hallowed?	
	orayer is called the Lord's Prayer. The first thing Jesus taught His disciples to do was to onor to God the Father. Using your dictionary, what does <i>hallowed</i> mean?	
4. What	must we ask God for every day?	
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5. God gives us what we need, and He will give us something else if we ask Him. What is it?

Read Luke chapter 11, verses 14 - 26.

- 1. What did Jesus do to help the man to speak?
- 2. Using your dictionary, what does demon mean?

3. Some of the people said Jesus cast out the demon by whose power?
4. If team members have a fight among themselves, what happens to the team?
5. CHALLENGE: So could Jesus' power come from Satan?
6. Where did Jesus' power come from?
7. Who is on Jesus' team according to Luke 11:23?
8. PERSONAL : Are you helping or hurting Jesus?
Read Luke chapter 11, verses 27 - 36.
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5. PERSONAL : Do you know someone who would travel a long way for a sports event, but wouldn't travel a short distance to church? Why not invite that person to church next week?
6. Read John 12:46. According to this verse, who is the light?
7. How does the light shine out of us?
Read Luke chapter 11, verses 37 - 54.
1. Why was the Pharisee surprised when Jesus sat down to eat?
2. How did Jesus say the Pharisees looked? See Luke 11:39.
3. Who made the inside and the outside?
4. There is more to giving than money. What else should we give?
5. Who made the people obey rules and laws they wouldn't obey themselves?
6. Because Jesus was telling the truth, what did the Pharisees and legal experts (scribes) start to do?

LUKE — WEEK TWELVE

DISCUSSION — LESSON 11

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: BARNYARD

Divide into teams of two or three, depending on size of class. Each team chooses an animal that would be found on a farm. Chickens, roosters, cows, cattle, dogs, sheep, horses, etc. Choose someone to be IT. When teams have their animals, tell them to IT so IT knows what to call. Set boundaries: start, finish, play area. Teams stand behind the start line. IT stands in the middle of play area between the start and finish lines. IT calls out an animal, such as: COW. The team that's COW tries to race to the finish line without being tagged. When a player is tagged, player stops and sits where tagged. Player then helps IT tag remaining players. Game continues from start to finish lines, and back again, as long as there are runners. If IT calls BARNYARD, all players run.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 11

to end of class CRAFT: DECORATED PENCIL HOLDER

MATERIALS

clean, empty soup cans with no sharp edges crayons/colored pencils tempera paint/brushes white paper cut to fit around cans like a label glue

Draw and color or paint a picture depicting a scene from this lesson on the white paper. Glue around outside of can.

LUKE — LESSON 11 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 11, verses 1 - 13.

- 1. **RISKY**: Where was Jesus praying when one of His disciples asked Him how to pray? He was in a certain place. [No place in particular. That means we can pray at any time; we don't need to be in a particular place or position. Also, it was the custom for a Rabbi to teach his disciples to pray. A simple prayer was often used, although it could become meaningless repetition.]
- 2. What name did Jesus say needed to be hallowed? The Father's.
- 3. This prayer is called the Lord's Prayer. The first thing Jesus taught His disciples to do was to pay honor to God the Father. Using your dictionary, what does *hallowed* mean? "Made holy; consecrated; honored or regarded as sacred."
- 4. What must we ask God for every day? <u>Our daily needs (bread), including food, forgiveness, help to forgive others, and protection from letting temptation lead us to sin.</u>
- 5. God gives us what we need, and He will give us something else if we ask Him. What is it? <u>verse</u> 13: "He will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask."

Read Luke chapter 11, verses 14 - 26.

- 1. What did Jesus do to help the man to speak? verse 14: "One day Jesus cast a demon from a man who couldn't speak. And the man's voice came back to him right away."
- 2. Using your dictionary, what does *demon* mean? evil spirit, devil (The Holt Dictionary)
- 3. Some of the people said Jesus cast out the demon by whose power? <u>verse 15: "But some said, 'No wonder He can cast demons out. He gets His power from Satan, the king of demons!"</u>
- 4. If team members have a fight among themselves, what happens to the team? The team falls apart.
- 5. **CHALLENGE**: So could Jesus' power come from Satan? No.
- 6. Where did Jesus' power come from? verse 20: God.
- 7. Who is on Jesus' team according to Luke 11:23? "Anyone who is not for Me is against Me. If he isn't helping Me, he is hurting Me."
- 8. **PERSONAL**: Are you helping or hurting Jesus?

Read Luke chapter 11, verses 27 - 36.

- 1. Jesus tells us in Luke 11:28 about those who are really blessed. Who are they? "Those who hear the Word of God and obey it."
- 2. How did the crowds want Jesus to prove He was the Messiah? They wanted Him to give strange signs in the sky.
- 3. Why will the Queen of Sheba judge Israel? verse 31: "At the Judgment Day the Queen of Sheba will stand up. She will point her finger at you people and judge you. For she went on a long, hard journey to listen to the wisdom of Solomon. But One far greater than Solomon is here and few listen to Him."
- 4. What will the men of Nineveh do? verse 32: "The men of Nineveh, too, shall stand and judge this nation. For they turned from their sins when Jonah preached to them. And someone far greater than Jonah is here. But this nation won't listen."
- 5. **PERSONAL**: Do you know someone who would travel a long way for a sports event but wouldn't travel a short distance to church? Why not invite that person to church next week?
- 6. Read John 12:46. According to this verse, who is the light? "I have come as light into the world, that everyone who believes in Me may not remain in darkness" (NAS).
- 7. How does the light shine out of us? Through our eyes.

Read Luke chapter 11, verses 37 - 54.

- 1. Why was the Pharisee surprised when Jesus sat down to eat? <u>Because "Jesus didn't wash first</u>, as was demanded by Jewish custom." [This was ceremonial washing, a religious rite, not washing to remove the dirt of travel.]
- 2. How did Jesus say the Pharisees looked? See Luke 11:39. "You Pharisees wash the outside. But on the inside you are still dirty. You are full of greed and wickedness."
- 3. Who made the inside and the outside? God.
- 4. There is more to giving than money. What else should we give? <u>verse 42: Love of God and justice</u>
- 5. Who made the people obey rules and laws they wouldn't obey themselves? The lawyers.
- 6. Because Jesus was telling the truth, what did the Pharisees and legal experts (scribes) start to do? <u>verses 53,54</u>: "From that time on they kept asking Him questions. They were trying to trap Him into saying something wrong. That way they could have Him arrested."

LUKE — LESSON 12

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 12, verses 1 - 12.

- 1. What happened because there were so many people?
- 2. Read Psalm 139:1-4. Who hears and sees everything?
- 3. According to Malachi 3:16, what does the Lord keep for those who fear and love Him, and speak to each other about Him?
- 4. Luke 12:7 tells us how valuable we are to God. What does it say?
- 5. If you tell others you believe in Jesus as God's Son, what will Jesus say about you?
- 6. Who teaches us the right thing to say when we're in trouble?

Read Luke chapter 12, verses 13 - 21.

- 1. What warning does Jesus give in Luke 12:15?
- 2. In Jesus' parable was the rich man satisfied with what he had?
- 3. What does Exodus 20:17 say?
- 4. What does Paul say in Philippians 4:11?

5. Jesus tells us not to worry about anything. What does He say in Luke 12:31?
6. What does "treasure" mean to you?
7. Where will your heart be? See Luke 12:34.
Read Luke chapter 12, verses 35 - 48.
1. What does Jesus tell us we are to be ready for?
2. What will happen if the servants are ready for the master?
3. When will Jesus Christ come again?
4. Who was this parable for?
5. RISKY : What does "being ready" mean to you?
Read Luke chapter 12, verses 49 - 59.
1. Jesus said that when we believe in Him, some of our friends and maybe some of our family might not, and there could be problems. What are we told to do in Romans 13:8,10?
2. What did Jesus say to the crowd in Luke 12:56?
3. PERSONAL : Are you ready for the return of Jesus Christ? Have you confessed your sins to Him? Does He live in you to help you live for Him? If not, why not ask Him into your life today?

LUKE — WEEK THIRTEEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 12

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: BALL CALL

Players form a standing circle, with IT in the center. IT tosses the ball in the air, simultaneously calling out the name of a player in the circle. That player tries to catch the ball before it bounces more than one time. If the ball is caught, that player becomes IT. If not, IT remains until the ball is caught.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 12

to end of class CRAFT: MARBLE PAINTING

MATERIALS

marbles
9 x 12 rectangular pan
liquid tempera paint
construction paper

Place paper in pan. Drop 1 - 2 teaspoons of paint into center of paper. Using 2 or 3 marbles, roll around in pan and through the paint to create a picture/design. Experiment with differently shaped paper and multiple colors of paint. Remove paper when finished and allow to dry.

LUKE – LESSON 12 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 12, verses 1 - 12.

- 1. What happened because there were so many people? verse 1: "The crowds grew until there were thousands of people. There were so many that they were crushing each other."
- 2. Read Psalm 139:1-4. Who hears and sees everything? The Lord.
- 3. According to Malachi 3:16, what does the Lord keep for those who fear and love Him, and speak to each other about Him? "A Book of Remembrance. In this book He wrote the names of those who respected and loved Him."
- 4. Luke 12:7 tells us how valuable we are to God. What does it say? "And He knows the number of hairs on your head! So don't be afraid. You are more valuable to Him than a whole flock of sparrows."
- 5. If you tell others you believe in Jesus as God's Son, what will Jesus say about you? <u>verse 8: "I</u> tell you, if you stand before others here on earth and say you are my friend, I will honor you. I will say you belong to me in front of God's angels."
- 6. Who teaches us the right thing to say when we're in trouble? verse 12: "For the Holy Spirit will give you the right words to say."

Read Luke chapter 12, verses 13 - 21.

- 1. What warning does Jesus give in Luke 12:15? "Beware! Don't always be wishing for what you don't have. For real life and real living are not related to how rich we are."
- 2. In Jesus' parable was the rich man satisfied with what he had? No. He wanted more. [A Roman proverb says "money is like sea water; the more a man drank the thirstier he became" (William Barclay, Luke commentary). Sea water is salty; salt makes you thirsty.]
- 3. What does Exodus 20:17 say? "You must not envy your neighbor's house. You must not want to sleep with his wife. You must not want to own his slaves, oxen, donkeys, or anything else he has." [In other words, you are not to want what your neighbor (or friend) has.]
- 4. What does Paul say in Philippians 4:11? "Not that I was ever in need. I have learned how to get along happily if I have much or little."

- 5. Jesus tells us not to worry about anything. What does He say in Luke 12:31? "The thing you should worry about first is God's Kingdom. If you do this, God will always give you all you need."
- 6. What does "treasure" mean to you? [Something I want or make very important.]
- 7. Where will your heart be? See Luke 12:34. "Wherever your treasure is, there your heart and thoughts will be also."

Read Luke chapter 12, verses 35 - 48.

- 1. What does Jesus tell us we are to be ready for? The Lord's return; the master's return. ["In the Orient a groom had a wedding supper with his friends and then went to claim his bride at her home. The servants of the groom were expected to be dressed for work and have their lamps lighted for the return procession" (J. Vernon McGee).]
- 2. What will happen if the servants are ready for the master? They are blessed; there will be great joy.
- 3. When will Jesus Christ come again? <u>verse 40</u>: "So be ready all the time. For I, the Messiah, will come when least expected."
- 4. Who was this parable for? verse 42: "I'm talking to any man who is faithful."
- 5. **RISKY**: What does "being ready" mean to you? We should know what the Bible says about living to please God. We need to continue learning what God wants us to do in order to please Him and not to sin against Him. We need to confess our sins, love and serve others in the name of Jesus.]

Read Luke chapter 12, verses 49 - 59.

- 1. Jesus said that when we believe in Him, some of our friends and maybe some of our family might not, and there could be problems. What are we told to do in Romans 13:8,10? "Pay all your debts except the debt of love for others. You should never finish paying that! If you love them, you will obey all of God's laws. Love does no wrong to anyone. That's why it keeps all of God's laws. It is the only law you need."
- 2. What did Jesus say to the crowd in Luke 12:56? "Hypocrites! You interpret the sky well enough when it comes to the weather. But you refuse to see the warnings all around you about the trouble ahead."
- 3. **PERSONAL**: Are you ready for the return of Jesus Christ? Have you confessed your sins to Him? Does He live in you to help you live for Him? If not, why not ask Him into your life today?

LUKE — LESSON 13

Before you begin your lesson:

a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.

1. What happened to some Galileans as they made a sacrifice to God?

- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

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3. In verses 3 and 5 what did Jesus say would happen to His hearers if they didn't repent?

4. A fig is a fruit. Jesus said the fig tree had no fruit growing on it. Read Galatians 5:22,23. What kind of fruit does the Holy Spirit give to all who have repented of their sin and have Jesus in their heart?

5. **PERSONAL**: Do you <u>love</u> others; are you <u>kind</u>; are you <u>patient</u> with someone when doing a project? Are you <u>faithful</u>; do you have God's <u>peace</u>; are you <u>joyful</u>? Do you do <u>good</u> to others; are you <u>gentle</u> with persons weaker than yourself? Do you have <u>self-control</u> when you are tempted to do wrong? Which one of these will you ask the Lord to help you with this week?

Read Luke chapter 13, verses 10 - 21.

1. Where was Jesus when He healed the crippled woman?
2. What did the woman do after she was instantly healed?
3. HARD : Why do you think Jesus healed her on the Sabbath when He knew the religious people would be angry?
4. The Jewish leader told Jesus He had six days during the week to do His healing. What did Jesus say to him in Luke 13:15?
5. Who was filled with joy?
6. What did Jesus teach them about next?
7. RISKY : Jesus said the Kingdom of God was like a mustard seed that began small, then grew into a large tree. In the same way, the Kingdom of God starts out small, and then what happens?
Read Luke chapter 13, verses 22 - 30.
1. Where is Jesus going?

2. Jesus was asked if only a few people will be saved. What was His answer in Luke 13:24?
3. What does John 10:9 say about a "door"?
4. What does 1 Timothy 2:4 tell us about God's love?
5. PERSONAL : Have you asked Jesus to be your Savior?
Read Luke chapter 13, verses 31 - 35.
1. Who warned Jesus that Herod was out to kill Him?
2. HARD : What clue did He give to show He knew He had nothing to fear from Herod?
3. How many days did Jesus have to travel before He reached Jerusalem?
4. CHALLENGE : If you have been extra nice to someone, and that person doesn't like you, or rejects your kindness, how does that make you feel? Do you think that is why Jesus cried when He looked over the city of Jerusalem?

LUKE — WEEK FOURTEEN

DISCUSSION – LESSON 13

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: FLOOR BASKETBALL

Draw a large circle with a smaller one in the center. Players line up on outer circle. The Leader tosses the basketball to a player who tries to bounce it into the center floor hoop. If successful, a point is given. The Leader retrieves the basketball and tosses to another player until all players have had a chance. Next, the Leader calls out a player's name and tosses the ball to him; he must answer a biblical question and toss the basketball into the floor hoop. If answered correctly, a point is given in addition to the point for successfully making a basket. The player with the most points wins.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 13

MATERIALS

wax paper
used crayons iron
scissors new

scissors newspapers potato peeler/grater cookie cutters

yarn

Cover work area with newspapers. Use the peeler or grater to shave crayons onto 10" x 10" piece of wax paper, leaving space for light to shine through. Be sure to mix colors. Carefully lay another piece of wax paper on top. With iron set on low, gently move over wax paper until crayons are melted. Trace cookie cutters and cut out; or make own shapes and designs. Poke hole in the top and pull yarn through to hang.

LUKE — LESSON 13 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 13, verses 1 - 9.

- 1. What happened to some Galileans as they made a sacrifice to God? They were killed by Pilate.
- 2. **CHALLENGE**: Were the men who were killed by Pilate, and the ones killed when the Tower of Siloam fell on them, worse sinners than anyone else? <u>verses 3,5 "Not at all!"</u>
- 3. In verses 3 and 5 what did Jesus say would happen to His hearers if they didn't repent? "And you, too, will die unless you turn from your sins." [We must remember that "die" is death of the soul, or eternal separation from God. For all of us will die physically, unless Jesus raptures the Church while some of us are yet alive. And then, only those who have trusted in Him for salvation will be caught up in the clouds and meet Him in the air.]
- 4. A fig is a fruit. Jesus said the fig tree had no fruit growing on it. Read Galatians 5:22,23. What kind of fruit does the Holy Spirit give to all who have repented of their sin and have Jesus in their heart? "But with the Holy Spirit in our lives there will be different kinds of fruit. They are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, and faith. People with the Spirit are gentle and have self-control. None of these things are against the Jewish laws."
- 5. **PERSONAL**: Do you <u>love</u> others; are you <u>kind</u>; are you <u>patient</u> with someone when doing a project? Are you <u>faithful</u>; do you have God's <u>peace</u>; are you <u>joyful</u>? Do you do <u>good</u> to others; are you <u>gentle</u> with persons weaker than yourself? Do you have <u>self-control</u> when you are tempted to do wrong? Which one of these will you ask the Lord to help you with this week?

Read Luke chapter 13, verses 10 - 21.

- 1. Where was Jesus when He healed the crippled woman? <u>It was the Sabbath and He was teaching</u> in the synagogue.
- 2. What did the woman do after she was instantly healed? She began praising and thanking God.
- 3. **HARD**: Why do you think Jesus healed her on the Sabbath when He knew the religious people would be angry? He had love for her. [According to the religious rules, healing was an act of work, and work was forbidden on the Sabbath.]
- 4. The Jewish leader told Jesus He had six days during the week to do His healing. What did Jesus say to him in Luke 13:15? "But the Lord replied, 'You hypocrite! You work on the Sabbath! Don't you untie your cattle from their stalls on the Sabbath? Don't you lead them out for water?" [The hypocrisy was that care for an animal on the Sabbath was permitted, yet showing compassion, or meeting someone's need was forbidden.]

- 5. Who was filled with joy? verse 17: "This made his enemies ashamed. And all the people were full of joy because of the great things Jesus did."
- 6. What did Jesus teach them about next? The Kingdom of God.
- 7. **RISKY**: Jesus said the Kingdom of God was like a mustard seed that began small, then grew into a large tree. In the same way, the Kingdom of God starts out small, and then what happens? At this time, the Kingdom of heaven started out small, but as testimony spread, it grew, so that today there are many followers of Jesus Christ.

Read Luke chapter 13, verses 22 - 30.

- 1. Where is Jesus going? <u>To Jerusalem</u>.
- 2. Jesus was asked if only a few people will be saved. What was His answer in Luke 13:24? "He said to them, 'Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to" (NIV).
- 3. What does John 10:9 say about a "door"? "Yes, I am the door; if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pastures" (NAS).
- 4. What does I Timothy 2:4 tell us about God's love? "He longs for all to be saved and to understand the truth."
- 5. **PERSONAL**: Have you asked Jesus to be your Savior?

Read Luke chapter 13, verses 31 - 35.

1. Who warned Jesus that Herod was out to kill Him? <u>Some Pharisees</u>. [This would indicate not all the Pharisees were against Him.]

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- . **HARD**: What clue did He give to show He knew He had nothing to fear from Herod? <u>verse</u> 33b: "Surely a prophet of God shouldn't be killed anywhere except in Jerusalem!" [Only the great Sanhedrin, which sat at Jerusalem, would kill God's prophet. Therefore, if a prophet was put to death, it would be in Jerusalem. And Jesus knew this.]
- 3. How many days did Jesus have to travel before He reached Jerusalem? Three.
- 4. **CHALLENGE**: If you have been extra nice to someone, and that person doesn't like you, or rejects your kindness, how does that make you feel? Do you think that is why Jesus cried when He looked over the city of Jerusalem? Yes. [Although it is not written in the Gospels, this passage indicates that Jesus had visited Jerusalem many times, that He offered the leaders and the people the love of God, and they rejected Him.]

LUKE - LESSON 14

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 14, verses 1 - 0

- 1. What day did Jesus go to the Pharisee's home to eat?
- 2. Besides the Pharisees and the lawyers, who else was there?
- 3. Using your dictionary, what does dropsy mean?
- 4. **RISKY**: Since the Pharisees were watching Jesus, why do you think this man was at the dinner party?
- 5. **CHALLENGE**: Jesus said in Luke 13:15 and 14:5 that the rulers would take care of their animals on the Sabbath, but what didn't they want Jesus to do?

Read Luke chapter 14, verses 7 -15.

Humility is not disliking yourself it is putting another's feelings and needs before your own.

1. **HARD**: Let's pretend you are in a bicycle race. Your best friend is in a running race. You both win. Now you are standing next to each other on the platform ready to receive your award. Do you brag about your ribbon or do you congratulate your friend on his?

2.	What does Luke 14:8,9 say happened to the man in the parable who tried to get the best place for himself?
3.	According to this parable, how should a guest act?
4.	CHALLENGE: Are we to act this way only when going to a party?
5.	HARD : When we do something nice, should we expect to be repaid? See Luke 14:13,14 to help you with your answer.
R	ead Luke chapter 14, verses 16 - 35.
1.	In Luke 14:16-24, we have a parable about the Kingdom of God. People make all kinds of excuses for not believing in God. What excuses were given for not coming to the dinner?
2.	After the host heard these excuses, what did he tell his servant to do?
3.	What does Matthew 15:24 say?

4.	Although Jesus was sent first to the Jews, some rejected Him, and His message of salvation was then given to the Gentiles. What do these verses say?
	Acts 13:46
	Romans 1:16
5.	HARD : Who do you think the first group invited to the party represented? Who does the second group represent?
6.	What does your dictionary say these words mean?
	believer:
	disciple:
7.	HARD : Jesus told the parables about the cost of building a tower, and going to war. He was telling His hearers it would cost something to be His disciple (one who tells others the Good News.) What do you think He meant?
8.	Salt is useless when it has no flavor. A Christian is like salt; how can a Christian continue to be useful? See Romans 12:1,2 for your answer.

LUKE — WEEK FIFTEEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 14

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: CHAIN TAG

Two players join hands and are IT. Together they attempt to tag the other players. When a player is tagged, he joins hands in the middle of IT. Only the end players may tag. When the chain surrounds a player, it is permissible to break through or go under the joined hands of the line. When the chain has been broken, it must unite again before tagging is legal. The game is completed when the last player is caught or when a time limit is reached. The last two players caught are IT for the next game. Boundary lines should be set to restrict play area.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 14

to end of class CRAFT: PAPER PLACEMATS

MATERIALS

white paper placemats stencils stickers colored pencils, crayons, paint

clear contact paper

Number of placemats per child is determined by the size of the class. Each child makes the allotted number of mats in any design desired. Cover placemats with clear contact paper to make them more durable.

LUKE – LESSON 14 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 14, verses 1 - 6.

- 1. What day did Jesus go to the Pharisee's home to eat? <u>verse 1: On the Sabbath.</u>
- 2. Besides the Pharisees and the lawyers, who else was there? A man with dropsy.
- 3. Using your dictionary, what does dropsy mean? "Unnatural collection of water fluid in cavities or tissues of the body." [There is more to this disease than the dictionary indicates. Water collection in the abdomen can push against the lungs causing breathing difficulties. The heart, the brain, or the reproductive organs can retain such fluid. This man was probably very ill.]
- 4. **RISKY:** Since the Pharisees were watching Jesus, why do you think this man was at the dinner party? It would appear to be a setup, a trap. [In Jesus' day, to work on the Sabbath was to break the law. In Luke 13:11-13 Jesus healed a woman on the Sabbath. This was considered work, so Jesus broke the Law by healing her on the Sabbath. Because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, it is quite possible this man was sent to see if Jesus would "work" and heal this man. Also, cooking for the Sabbath had to be prepared the day before, and kept warm in a such a way that no work was done and that it wouldn't spoil. It had to be served in a way so that the Law was not broken.]
- 5. Jesus said in Luke 13:15 and 14:5 that the rulers would take care of their animals on the Sabbath, but what didn't they want Jesus to do? Heal the man. [It was okay for them to rescue an animal in trouble, and not consider it work. But it was considered work when Jesus rescued a person in trouble.]

Read Luke chapter 14, verses 7 -15.

Humility is not disliking yourself. It is putting another's feelings and needs before your own.

- 1. **HARD**: Let's pretend you are in a bicycle race. Your best friend is in a running race. You both win. Now you are standing next to each other on the platform ready to receive your award. Do you brag about your ribbon or do you congratulate your friend on his? We congratulate our friend on his award. [We are putting his feelings and needs before our own.]
- 2. What does Luke 14:8,9 say happened to the man in the parable who tried to get the best place for himself? "Now suppose you are invited to a wedding feast. When dinner time comes, don't always go for the best seat. For someone more respected than you might come. And the host will bring him over to where you are sitting. He will say, 'Let this man sit here instead.'"

- 3. According to this parable, how should a guest act? "Do this instead. Sit down at the foot of the table. When your host sees you there he will come over. He will say, 'Friend, we have a better place than this for you!' Thus, you will be honored in front of all the other guests." [In other words, we don't need to brag about ourselves. If we are humble, others will tell about our good deeds.]
- 4. **CHALLENGE**: Are we to act this way only when going to a party? <u>No. We should not brag about how wonderful we are. Others will see our good deeds and the word will spread. [To be humble is to want what is best for another. That is the attitude God would want us to have.]</u>
- 5. **HARD**: When we do something nice, should we expect to be repaid? See Luke 14:13,14 to help you with your answer. [Although this speaks of inviting people to a dinner, the implication is for doing kindness to others.] verse 14: "If you invite [are kind to] those who can't pay you back, you will be blessed. God will reward you at the resurrection of the godly."

Read Luke chapter 14, verses 16 - 35.

- 1. In Luke 14:16-24 we have a parable about the Kingdom of God. People make all kinds of excuses for not believing in God. What excuses were given for not coming to the dinner? One had to inspect the field he just bought. One had to test his newly purchased oxen. One had just gotten married and didn't want to leave his wife.
- 2. After the host heard these excuses, what did he tell his servant to do? <u>To go out and bring in people from the streets and alleys of the city, and when there was still room, out into the country.</u>
- 3. What does Matthew 15:24 say? "Then He said to the woman, 'I was sent to help the Jews. They are the lost sheep of Israel. I was not sent to the Gentiles."
- 4. Although Jesus was sent first to the Jews, they rejected Him, and His message of salvation was then given to the Gentiles. What do these verses say?
 - Acts 13:46: "Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. They said, 'We must tell this Good News from God to you Jews first. But you have rejected it and shown yourselves unworthy of eternal life. So now, we will offer it to the Gentiles."
 - Romans 1:16: "I am not ashamed about Christ's Good News. It is God's powerful way to bring all who believe it to Heaven. This message was first preached only to the Jews. But now everyone is asked to come to God in the same way."
- 5. **HARD**: Who do you think the first group invited to the party represents? Who does the second group represent? The Jews first, the Gentiles second. [This parable tells us salvation is for everyone.]

6. What does your dictionary say these words mean?

believer: "One who believes; one who has faith in a religious doctrine."

disciple: "Person who accepts the teachings of a leader and helps to spread them."

- 7. **HARD**: Jesus told the parables about the cost of building a tower, and going to war. He was telling His hearers it would cost something to be His disciple. What do you think He meant? If we want to be a disciple, we will have to give up something. [It's one thing (as our definition shows) to be a believer, and something else to be a disciple. All Christians should be disciples, and a disciple must be willing to give up something in order to share the Gospel. J. Vernon McGee puts it this way: "A person can be saved by accepting Jesus Christ as Savior, but a person will never follow and serve Him until he is willing to make a sacrifice."]
- 8. Salt is useless when it has no flavor. A Christian is like salt; how can a Christian continue to be useful? See Romans 12:1,2 for your answer. "And so, dear brothers, I beg with you to give your bodies to God. Let them be a holy, living sacrifice, the kind He can accept. When you think of what He has done for you, is this too much to ask? Don't copy the world. Be a different person with a fresh newness in all you do and think. Then you will learn how His ways will really satisfy you."

LUKE — LESSON 15

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 15, verses 1 - 10.

- 1. What did the Pharisees and the scribes complain about?
- 2. Sheep get lost easily. As they keep munching the grass, they can wander from the rest of the flock and get lost. What happened to the lost sheep in Jesus' parable?
- 3. When the lost sheep was found, everyone was happy. What happens in heaven when a sinner turns to God?
- 4. What did the woman do when she lost a coin, which was something very important to her?
- 5. When she found the coin, she called her neighbors to rejoice with her. What happens in heaven when a sinner repents?
- 6. What does Luke 19:10 say?

Read Luke chapter 15, verses 11 - 32.

- 1. What did the youngest son do with his inheritance?
- 2. When did he decide to go back to his father's house?
- 3. What does Luke 15:20 say the father was doing when the son came home?

4.	greeting; then he threw him a party. Who wasn't at the party?
5.	What did the father do when he found out his oldest son was not a the party?
6.	What did the oldest son complain about?
7.	How did the father reply to his oldest son? See Luke 15:31,32.
8.	The Bible tells us we are a child of God when we come into faith through His Son, Jesus Christ What does Romans 8:14,17 say about this?
9.	CHALLENGE : How are these three parables related? Who do these characters represent?
	sheep:
	shepherd:
	coin:
	woman:
	prodigal son:
	the older brother:
	the father:

LUKE — WEEK SIXTEEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 15

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: EASY DODGE BALL

In order to make this a safe game, a sponge ball should be used. Mark a circle with masking tape. All players except "IT" are in the circle. With the soft ball, "IT" throws at the feet of those in the circle. The person hit leaves the circle and sits on the side lines. The last player to leave the circle becomes "IT". If the ball is thrown in such a way that a player is hit above the knees, "IT" will be replaced, and have to sit along the sidelines. After the ball is thrown, it is retrieved and returned to "IT". Play continues until all have a chance to be "IT", or until leader stops the game.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 15

to end of class CRAFT: BAKING CUP PICTURE

MATERIALS

construction paper — green, neutral varied colored paper baking cups green rug yarn small colored stones/rocks

The green rug yarn will be used for the stems of the flowers. The stems should be glued to the neutral colored paper before the baking cup "flowers." Five or more baking cups can be used for flowers. Child creates own garden by gluing cups atop the stems. Cut leaves from green construction paper. Place small stones in center of each flower.

LUKE — LESSON 15 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 15, verses 1 - 10.

- 1. What did the Pharisees and the scribes complain about? <u>verses 1,2</u>: "Now tax collectors and other sinners often came to listen to Jesus' sermons. But the Pharisees and the experts on Jewish law complained about this. 'This man spends time with sinners,' they said. 'He even eats with them!'" [The Pharisees called people who didn't keep the Pharisaic law sinners.]
- 2. Sheep get lost easily. As they keep munching the grass, they can wander from the rest of the flock and get lost. What happened to the lost sheep in Jesus' parable? The shepherd left the other sheep to search for the one that was lost.
- 3. When the lost sheep was found, everyone was happy. What happens in heaven when a sinner turns to God? <u>verse 7: "Well, the same thing happens in Heaven. There is great joy in Heaven over one lost sinner who comes back to God."</u>
- 4. What did the woman do when she lost a coin, which was something very important to her? <u>She looked everywhere for it, and cleaned her house until she found it.</u>
- 5. When she found the coin, she called her neighbors to rejoice with her. What happens in heaven when a sinner repents? <u>verse 10</u>: "In the same way there is joy among the angels of God when one sinner repents."
- 6. What does Luke 19:10 say? "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Read Luke chapter 15, verses 11 - 32.

- 1. What did the youngest son do with his inheritance? He spent it all.
- 2. When did he decide to go back to his father's house? When he had spent all of his money and had to feed pigs which, to a Jew, were unclean animals.
- 3. What does Luke 15:20 say the father was doing when the son came home? "So he went back home to his father. And while he was still a long way off, his father saw him coming. His father was filled with loving pity. He ran out to meet his son. He hugged him and kissed him." [The father probably had been watching and praying every day for his son's return. Parents grieve when the children they love choose to rebel against their moral teachings. However, they never stop praying, waiting, and watching for their children to return to moral and right living.]

- 4. Even though the son was dirty, and probably smelled bad, his father gave him a warm and happy greeting; then he threw him a party. Who wasn't at the party? The older brother.
- 5. What did the father do when he found out his oldest son was not at the party? <u>verse 28: "The older brother was angry and wouldn't go in. His father came out and begged him to come in."</u> [The father looked for this "lost" son, too.]
- 6. What did the oldest son complain about? verse 29: "All these years I've worked hard for you. I have never once refused to do a single thing you told me to. And you never gave me even one young goat for a feast with my friends."
- 7. How did the father reply to his oldest son? See Luke 15:31,32. "Look, dear son,' his father said to him. 'You and I are very close. Everything I have is yours! But it is right to have a party. For he is your brother. And he was dead and has come back to life! He was lost and is found!" [The father felt he did not need to throw a special party for the oldest son since the son had access to all that the father owned and could use it whenever he wanted. Yet, when the father saw his son was hurting, he comforted him.]
- 8. The Bible tells us we are a child of God when we come into faith through His Son, Jesus Christ. What does Romans 8:14,17 say about this? "Because everybody who is led by God's Spirit is a son of God. Since we are His children, we will share His treasures. All God gives to His Son Jesus is ours too. But if we share His glory, we have to share His suffering, too."
- 9. **CHALLENGE**: How are these three parables related? Who do these characters represent?

sheep: <u>a sinner.</u>

shepherd: <u>Jesus, Who left His home in heaven in search of His lost sheep. [Before Adam</u>

sinned, mankind was not lost. When sin entered the world, mankind was lost. God had planned for this possible happening. Although He called a certain people to belong to Him, and sent prophets, they didn't always obey. So, He sent His Son to show not only His chosen group of people how to live, but ALL people. Jesus

is the Shepherd sent for ALL lost sheep.]

coin: a sinner. [The coin was a priceless item. God's creation, man, is also price-

less.]

woman: <u>a symbol of Jesus. [It cost Jesus His home in heaven to come to earth to search</u>

for lost sinners so they could have eternal life. It was costly for the woman: time, oil for her lamp, which was expensive. This may have been the only money she had. Sometimes a married woman had a head-dress made of coins, which is like

wearing a wedding ring, so it was very important for her to find it.]

prodigal son: a sinner.

older brother: a sinner, one who believes in Jesus but who is out of fellowship with God; he may

have some unconfessed sin in his life and is not living to please God.

the father: <u>a picture of our loving heavenly Father.</u>

[All three stories show us the compassion of our heavenly Father. He constantly seeks the lost. He is compassionate, loving, and patient. He wants all His creation to come to salvation: "It may seem like He is slow in coming back as He promised. But He isn't. He is waiting because He does not want anyone to die. He is giving more time for sinners to repent" 2 Peter 3:9.]

LUKE — LESSON 16

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 16, verses 1-12.
1. A steward is someone who takes care of another person's things. What did the rich man accuse his steward of doing?
2. The rich man wanted the steward to give a report of how he spent the man's money. What did the steward do?
3. How did the rich man react to what his steward did?
4. HARD : Do you think the actions of the steward and the comments of the rich man pleased God? Why?
5. CHALLENGE: What do these verses say about being a good steward?1 Corinthians 4:2
1 Peter 4·10

6. PERSONAL : Can you be trusted to take care of someone else's things? Are there things you can do to show you can be trusted to care for other people's treasures?
Read Luke chapter 16, verses 13 - 18.
1. Who do you think are the two masters Jesus mentions in Luke 16:13?
2. HARD : (<i>Mammon</i> is a word that means money and other material things.) What does Jesus say will happen if we try to get lots of money and things, and at the same time try to obey and honor God?
3. God knows what we need. What does Luke 12:31 say we should do first?
4. What does Colossians 3:23,24 say about work?
Read Luke chapter 16, verses 19 - 31.
1. Jesus tells us about two men in Luke 16:19-21. From these two verses, what can you find out about each of them?
rich man:
Lazarus:

2. What happened to Lazarus?	
3. Where did Lazarus go, and how did he get there?	
4. What happened to the rich man?	
5. Can people go from heaven to hell?	
6. HARD : Which two verses tell us why Abraham wouldn't send Lazarus to the rich man's five brothers?	re
7. A person who is saved goes to heaven. How does a person get saved? See Romans 10:9,10.	
8. What happens to a person who is not saved? See 2 Thessalonians 1:8,9.	
9. PERSONAL : Are you saved? Will you spend eternity in heaven with God and Jesus?	

LUKE — WEEK SEVENTEEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 16

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: MESSAGE RELAY

Before game begins, teacher writes enough Bible verses so that each team has one verse. Divide into teams and have each team choose a leader. Place verses in a bowl in front of teams. At direction of teacher, each team leader runs to bowl and picks a verse, reads it, returns to head of line and whispers it to the next person, then hands the verse to the teacher. Each person whispers to the next until the last one receives the verse and runs to front of line and repeats it to the teacher. The one who repeats the verse correctly is the winning team. If more than one team repeats the verse correctly, the one who recited it first is the winning team. Repeat as often as the teams want to play.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 16

to end of class CRAFT: TISSUE LAMINATION

MATERIALS

poster paper, construction paper, or old manila folders liquid starch scissors colored tissue paper

Have students tear or cut tissue paper into various shapes. Specific shapes can be cut if a child prefers. Arrange tissue paper into a design before attaching it to the paper. Once a design has been created, remove one piece of paper at a time, and brush that section with starch. Replace the tissue paper. Repeat process until the design is complete.

Be sure to use starch sparingly, otherwise the paper will become soggy. A weight placed at each corner will help to prevent curling during drying time.

LUKE – LESSON 16 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 16, verses 1-12.

- 1. A steward is someone who takes care of another person's things. What did the rich man accuse his steward of doing? The rich man accused his manager of stealing from him.
- 2. The rich man wanted the steward to give a report of how he spent the man's money. What did the steward do? He went to the people who owed the rich man money or goods. Then he made up new reports on each one showing they owed less than before. He made a profit, and the debtors were grateful to him.
- 3. How did the rich man react to what his steward did? <u>verse 8: "The rich man had to admire the manager for being so smart. And it is true that the people of this world are more clever at cheating than the godly are."</u>
- 4. **HARD**: Do you think the actions of the steward and the comments of the rich man pleased God? Why? No. [The steward used blackmail to gain wealth and secure a place to stay when he left his job. It is possible the rich man was also a cheat and that is why he was so impressed with the steward's way of doing business. Although this is not right, and is disobedient to the Lord, we can learn a valuable lesson. The steward was EAGER to make life comfortable. If Christians were as eager to use God's resources for His glory, as this man was to get money and comfort, the Christian would be a much wiser steward of God's resources. And if the Christian spent as much time and energy in obeying God as is done pleasing self, then Christians would become more effective witnesses for Christ.]
- 5. **CHALLENGE**: What do these verses say about being a good steward?
 - 1 Corinthians 4:2: "In this case, moreover, it is required of stewards that one be found trustworthy" (NAS).
 - I Peter 4:10: "As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God" (NAS).
 - [Both these verses tell us we need to be good stewards of God's resources. In other words, we need to take good care of God's creation, our bodies, our clothes, our homes, and the money we earn, and not abuse anything He has given us.]
- 6. **PERSONAL**: Can you be trusted to take care of someone else's things? Are there things you can do to show you can be trusted to care for other people's treasures?

Read Luke chapter 16, verses 13 - 18.

- 1. Who do you think are the two masters Jesus mentions in Luke 16:13? Money and things, and God.
- 2. **HARD**: (*Mammon* is a word that means money and other material things.) What does Jesus say will happen if we try to get lots of money and things, and at the same time try to obey and honor God? verse 13: "For neither you nor anyone else can serve two masters. You will hate one and show loyalty to the other. You will love one and hate the other. You cannot serve both God and money."
- 3. God knows what we need. What does Luke 12:31 say we should do first? "But seek for His kingdom and these things shall be added to you" (NAS).
- 4. What does Colossians 3:23,24 say about work? "Work hard and with good cheer at all you do. Do everything like you were working for the Lord and not only for your masters. Remember, it is the Lord Christ who is going to pay you. He will give you your full portion of all He owns. He is the one you are really working for."

Read Luke chapter 16, verses 19 - 31.

1. Jesus tells us about two men in Luke 16:19-21. From these two verses, what can you find out about each of them?

rich man: He wore fancy clothes. And he lived each day in laughter and luxury.

Lazarus: A sick beggar, laying at the rich man's door. He lay there wishing for scraps from the rich man's table. And the dogs would lick his open sores.

- 2. What happened to Lazarus? He died.
- 3. Where did Lazarus go, and how did he get there? verse 22a: "He was carried by the angels to be with Abraham. He was brought to the place of the righteous dead."
- 4. What happened to the rich man? <u>verse 23b,24: "The rich man also died and was buried. But his soul went into hell. There in torment, he saw Lazarus far away with Abraham."</u>
- 5. Can people go from heaven to hell? No. verse 26: "And besides, there is a great canyon that lies between us. Anyone wanting to come to you from here is stopped at its edge. And no one over there can cross to us."
- 6. **HARD**: Which two verses tell us why Abraham wouldn't send Lazarus to his five brothers? verse 29: "But Abraham said, 'The Scriptures have warned them again and again. Your brothers can read them any time they want to." And verse 31: "But Abraham said, 'They won't listen to Moses and the prophets. And they won't listen to someone who rises from the dead either."

- 7. A person who is saved goes to heaven. How does a person get saved? See Romans 10:9,10. "This is how you will be saved. Tell others with your own mouth that Jesus Christ is your Lord. Also, believe in your own heart that God has raised Him from the dead. Because it is by believing in his heart that a man becomes right with God. With his mouth he tells others about his faith and is saved."
- 8. What happens to a person who is not saved? See 2 Thessalonians 1:8,9. "He will bring judgment on those who do not wish to know God. He will judge those who refuse the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ. They will be punished in everlasting hell. They will be forever separated from the Lord. They will never see the glory of His power."
- 9. PERSONAL: Are you saved? Will you spend eternity in heaven with God and Jesus?

LUKE - LESSON 17

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 17, verses 1 - 10.

- 1. Luke 17:1 tells us there will always be a chance to sin. But what does Jesus say about the person who leads someone else to sin?
- 2. **RISKY**: What kinds of things do you think lead someone else to sin?
- 3. How many times must we forgive someone who has hurt (sinned against) us?
- 4. What does Ephesians 4:32 say about forgiveness?
- 5. Is forgiving hard to do sometimes? Who helps us to forgive? Read Philippians 4:13 to help you with your answer.
- 6. **PERSONAL**: Do you think this would be a good verse for you to memorize to help you call upon the Lord every time you find it hard to do what God wants you to do?
- 7. The master didn't thank the servant for doing his job. What does Jesus say in Luke 17:10 about obeying Him?

Read Luke chapter 17, verses 11 - 19.

1. How many lepers cried out to Jesus on the border between Galilee and Samaria?

2. RISKY : Which verse tells us how and when Jesus healed these ten lepers?
3. Who came back and thanked Jesus?
4. Using your dictionary what is a Samaritan?
5. CHALLENGE : Can you think of another story about a Samaritan we studied in Luke?
6. What made the man well?
Read Luke chapter 17, verses 20 - 37.
1. In these verses, Jesus is telling His disciples about His return to earth, or His Second Coming. In Luke 17:23 what does He warn us about?
2. How will we know of His return?
3. What must happen to Jesus before He returns?
4. CHALLENGE : In Luke 17:26-30, Jesus tells us what the world will be like when He returns. What will the people in the world be doing? Choose one verse.
5. PERSONAL : If Jesus came tomorrow, would He find you serving Him?

LUKE — WEEK EIGHTEEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 17

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: RESCUE RELAY

Choose teams; then stand in single file behind the starting line. One player from each team is at the opposite end of the room standing behind the goal line facing his team. Upon the signal, he races to the first person in his line, takes his hand and races back to the goal line. The leader stays at the goal line while the player just taken runs back to the team and gets the next player. Continue the "rescue" in this manner, so that each player taken to the goal line returns to get another person until all players are in single line formation BEHIND the goal line. The first team to finish, wins.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 17

to end of class CRAFT: GUEST SOAPS

MATERIALS

1 cup soap flakes
1/2 cup boiling water
liquid food color
waxed paper
cookie cutters with open tops
spoon
eggbeater (several for a large class for hands-on)
gift box and tissue paper (for inside box)
bowl(s)
access to stove for heating water (or microwave)

Put soap flakes in bowl and pour boiling water into the bowl. Stir the flakes until they are dissolved. Beat the mixture with the eggbeater until it's satiny smooth. Stir in food coloring, one color per piece, or several colors for a multicolored bar of soap. It takes some time for the flakes to thicken.

Place cookie cutters on wax paper and fill with the soap mixture. Let them set for two days, or until the following week. Push the soaps out of the cookie cutters and put them in the gift box.

You may wish to begin this craft early.

LUKE — LESSON 17 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 17, verses 1 - 10.

- 1. Luke 17:1 tells us there will always be a chance to sin. But what does Jesus say about the person who leads someone else to sin? verses 1a,2,3: "But how terrible it will be for the man who does the tempting! For such a man will face a terrible punishment! It would be far better for him to be thrown into the sea with a rock tied to his neck. Yes, great trouble will be in store for those who harm these little children's souls. I am warning you!"
- 2. **RISKY**: What kinds of things do you think lead someone else to sin? If we ask someone to let us copy from their test paper, which is to cheat on a test; a dare to steal; encouragement to try drugs; if you've hurt someone else's property, and don't want to tell about it, you have a friend help you lie. Bragging about the things you have which would cause another to envy.
- 3. How many times must we forgive someone who has hurt (sinned against) us? <u>verse 4: "He might even wrong you seven times a day. And each time he might turn again and ask you to forgive him. If this happens, then forgive him." [What Jesus is saying is that no matter how many times someone sins against us, we are to forgive him. Christians must be forgiving more than the world forgives.]</u>
- 4. What does Ephesians 4:32 say about forgiveness? "Instead, be kind to each other and tender-hearted. Forgive one another just as God has forgiven you because you belong to Christ."
- 5. Is forgiving hard to do sometimes? Who helps us to forgive? Read Philippians 4:13 to help you with your answer. "I can do everything God asks me to with the help of Christ. He gives me strength and power."
- 6. **PERSONAL**: Do you think this would be a good verse for you to memorize to help you call upon the Lord every time you find it hard to do what God wants you to do?
- 7. The master didn't thank the servant for doing his job. What does Jesus say in Luke 17:10 about obeying Him? "In the same way, if you obey Me, you should not expect praise. For you have simply done your duty!" [Although it's nice to be thanked for a job well done, the point is WE SHOULDN'T EXPECT IT for doing what we are supposed to do. It's different when we're doing more than what is expected.]

Read Luke chapter 17, verses 11 - 19.

1. How many lepers cried out to Jesus on the border between Galilee and Samaria? 10

- 2. **RISKY**: Which verse tells us how and when Jesus healed these ten lepers? <u>verse 14</u>: "<u>He looked</u> at them and said, 'Go to the Jewish priest. Show him that you are healed!' And as they were going, their leprosy left them." [He looked at them and sent them to the priest for confirmation. This was the cleansing law for leprosy as found in Leviticus 14:1-32. Notice, they were on their way to the priest before they saw they had been healed.]
- 3. Who came back and thanked Jesus? <u>verses 15-16</u>: "One of them came back to Jesus. He shouted, 'Glory to God, I'm healed!' He fell flat on the ground in front of Jesus. His face was down in the dust. He thanked Jesus for what He had done. This man was a hated Samaritan."
- 4. Using your dictionary what is a Samaritan? "A native or inhabitant of Samaria with whom, during the time of Christ, the Jews were not allowed to associate" (The Holt Intermediate Dictionary).
- 5. **CHALLENGE**: Can you think of another story about a Samaritan we studied in Luke? <u>Luke</u> 10:30-37, the parable of the Good Samaritan.
- 6. What made the man well? <u>verse 19: "And Jesus said to the man, 'Stand up and go. Your faith has made you well."</u>

Read Luke chapter 17, verses 20 - 37.

- 1. In these verses, Jesus is telling His disciples about His return to earth, or His Second Coming. In Luke 17:23 what does He warn us about? "Reports will reach you that I am in this place or that. But don't believe them or go out to look for Me."
- 2. How will we know of His return? <u>verse 24: "For when I come back, you will know it beyond all doubt. It will be as clear as lightning flashing across the sky."</u>
- 3. What must happen to Jesus before He returns? <u>verse 25: "But first I must suffer terribly. And I will be rejected by this whole nation."</u>
- 4. **CHALLENGE**: In Luke 17:26-30, Jesus tells us what the world will be like when He returns. What will the people in the world be doing? Choose one verse. [Jesus says in these verses:] "When I come back, the world will not be thinking about the things of God." [They will be eating, drinking, marrying, making a living.] "Yes, it will be 'business as usual' right up to the hour of My coming." [In other words, we can't predict the time: people will be doing whatever they are doing right now.]
- 5. **PERSONAL**: If Jesus came tomorrow, would He find you serving Him?

LUKE - LESSON 18

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 18, verses 1- 14.	
1. What two reasons did Jesus give for telling this next story? See Luke 18:1.	
2. What does Luke 18:2,3 tell us about these two people?	
judge:	
widow:	
3. Whom did the judge fear? See Luke 18:4-6.	
4. Luke 18:8 says God answers prayer. What does Isaiah 65:24 say?	
5. Jesus said He will return someday. What does He ask in Luke 18:8?	
6. The Pharisee was proud. What did he thank God for in Luke 18:11-12?	
7. How did the tax collector act and how did he pray in Luke 18:13?	

8. Which one did Jesus say was forgiven?		
9. PERSONAL : Which person, the Pharisee or the tax collector, sounds most like you?		
Read Luke chapter 18, verses 15 - 30.		
1. CHALLENGE : Who do you think brought the children to Jesus to be blessed?		
2. What did the disciples try to do?		
3. What did Jesus say about the children in Luke 18:16-17?		
4. What do the five of the Ten Commandments Jesus listed tell us?		
5. The rich young ruler was probably proud he followed these Laws. But he had a problem. He liked his things. What did Jesus tell him to do with his belongings?		
6. Did the young man do what Jesus said?		
7. According to Romans 10:9,10 how is someone saved?		

Read Luke chapter 18, verses 31 - 43.

1.	Why was Jesus going to Jerusalem? See Luke 18:31.
2.	What did He say would happen to Him there?
3.	Did His disciples understand what He was saying?
4.	Who did Jesus heal as He got near to Jericho?
5.	What did the blind man do once he could see? Read Luke 18:43 for your answer.
6.	Who else praised God?
7.	PERSONAL : Have you been sick? Did you think to ask Jesus to make you well? Did you ge better? Did you praise Jesus for helping you get well?

LUKE — WEEK NINETEEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 18

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: WIPE THAT SMILE

Choose someone to be LEADER. Remaining players sit in a circle around LEADER. LEADER smiles, and then places her hand over her mouth and wipes the smile off her face. LEADER, no longer smiling, takes the smile that is in her hand, walks to another player, and hands that person the smile. That player puts on the smile by placing his hand over his mouth and when his hand is removed he is smiling. The new LEADER wears the smile for a few seconds before taking it off and giving it to a new player. only the LEADER inside the circle can wear the smile. The object of the game is to catch the players sitting in the circle smiling out of turn. Anyone caught goes into the middle of the circle and is allowed to smile, make faces, etc. to get the players still sitting in the circle to smile out of turn. However, only the LEADER can choose to give his smile away, there by choosing another LEADER.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 18

to end of class CRAFT: ENVELOPES AND CARDS

MATERIALS

scissors colored markers or crayons glue envelope pattern (see next page)

stencils for design

8 1/2" x 11" white paper for envelopes

8 1/2" x 5 1/2" white paper or construction paper for cards

Before class: Make copies of the envelope pattern on the next page. Make enough copies for each child to create as many envelopes and cards as desired. Five or six may be all that time will allow.

In class: Have the students cut out the envelopes and fold at dotted lines: sides first, then bottom; glue bottom flap to sides, making sure glue doesn't lap over onto envelope inside.

For cards, fold paper in half along the 8 1/2" side. Draw or trace picture or stencil onto front. Inside can remain blank or words can be added. Some ideas are "Get Well," "Happy Birthday," or "Thinking of You." Let the children be creative. When folded in half, these cards fit nicely into hand made envelopes.

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LUKE – LESSON 18 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 18, verses 1-14.

- 1. What two reasons did Jesus give for telling this next story? See Luke 18:1. "He did this to show them their need for constant prayer. He also wanted to show that they must keep praying until the answer comes."
- 2. What does Luke 18:2,3 tell us about these two people?

judge: He was a city judge, godless, and hated everyone. [More than likely that meant

he was paid because disputes were usually taken to the elders of the synagogue.

Also, he expected a large fee for settling this dispute.]

widow: She lived in the same city. She came to him often, and finally got on his nerves.

[She was probably poor, defenseless, and unable to afford his help in getting

justice.]

- 3. Whom did the judge fear? See Luke 18:4-6. "The judge did not listen to her for quite some time. But after awhile, she got on his nerves. 'I don't fear God or man,' the judge said to himself. 'But this woman bothers me. I'm going to see she gets justice. For she is wearing me out with her constant coming."
- 4. Luke 18:8 says God answers prayer. What does Isaiah 65:24 say? "I will answer them before they even call to Me. While they are still talking to Me about their needs, I will go ahead and answer their prayers!" ["Parables were stories given by our Lord to illustrate truths. A parable means something that is thrown beside something else to tell you something about it. One is by comparison, but the other is by contrast" (J. Vernon McGee). This is a contrast parable. The judge was unjust, God is just. This parable shows that unlike the unjust judge who must be worn down before giving in, God is loving and just and gives His children what they need.]
- 5. Jesus said He will return someday. What does He ask in Luke 18:8? "But how many will I find who have faith and are still praying?"
- 6. The Pharisee was proud. What did he thank God for in Luke 18:11-12? "The proud Pharisee prayed this prayer: 'Thank God, I am not a sinner like everyone else! Thank God, I am not like that tax collector over there! For I never cheat. I don't commit adultery. I go without food twice a week. And I give to God a tenth of all the money I earn."
- 7. How did the tax collector act and how did he pray in Luke 18:13? "But the corrupt tax collector stood at a distance. He did not even dare to lift his eyes to Heaven as he prayed. But he beat his chest in sadness. And he said, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!"

- 8. Which one did Jesus say was forgiven? <u>verse 14: "I tell you, this sinner, not the Pharisee, went home forgiven!</u> For the proud shall be humbled. But the humble shall be honored."
- 9. **PERSONAL**: Which person, the Pharisee or the tax collector, sounds most like you?

Read Luke chapter 18, verses 15 - 30.

- 1. **CHALLENGE**: Who do you think brought the children to Jesus to be blessed? <u>Their mothers</u>.
- 2. What did the disciples try to do? <u>Send them away.</u>
- 3. What did Jesus say about the children in Luke 18:16-17? "Then Jesus called the children over to Him. And He said to the disciples, 'Let the little children come to me! Never send them away! For the Kingdom of God belongs to people who have hearts like these little children's. And those who don't have their kind of faith will never get into the Kingdom." [Children are naturally open, trusting, ready to be loved and give love. They want to obey, and they forgive and forget easily. This is the attitude all should have in order to get into heaven.]
- 4. What do the five of the Ten Commandments Jesus listed tell us? "Don't commit adultery. Don't murder. Don't steal. Don't lie. Honor your parents." [These deal with man's relationship with man. The unmentioned first five deal with man's relationship with God.]
- 5. The rich young ruler was probably proud he followed these Laws. But he had a problem. He liked his things. What did Jesus tell him to do with his belongings? verse 22: "There is still one thing you need to do,' Jesus said. 'Sell all you have and give the money to the poor. This will become treasure for you in heaven. Then come and follow me."
- 6. Did the young man do what Jesus said? No. [He may have been afraid to give up his possessions because had come to depend on them to make him happy. He didn't realize he had come to worship them instead of God; they had become his idols. He was not trusting God to take care of him.]
- 7. According to Romans 10:9,10 how is someone saved? "This is how you will be saved. Tell others with your own mouth that Jesus Christ is your Lord. Also, believe in your own heart that God has raised Him from the dead. Because it is by believing in his heart that a man becomes right with God. With his mouth he tells others about his faith and is saved."

Read Luke chapter 18, verses 31 - 43.

- 1. Why was Jesus going to Jerusalem? See Luke 18:31. "Then Jesus called His 12 disciples to gather around Him. He said to them, 'As you know, we are going to Jerusalem. And when we get there, all the words of the prophets about Me will come true.""
- 2. What did He say would happen to Him there? <u>verses 32,33: "I will be handed over to the Gentiles to be laughed at. I will be treated badly and spat upon. I will be whipped and then killed.</u> And on the third day I will rise again."
- 3. Did His disciples understand what He was saying? No.
- 4. Who did Jesus heal as He got near to Jericho? A blind man who sat by the road begging.
- 5. What did the blind man do once he could see? Read Luke 18:43 for your answer. "Right away the man could see, and he followed Jesus, praising God."
- 6. Who else praised God? "And all the people who saw it happen praised God, too."
- 7. **PERSONAL**: Have you been sick? Did you think to ask Jesus to make you well? Did you get better? Did you praise Jesus for helping you get well?

LUKE — LESSON 19

Before you begin your lesson:

a.	Pray	for	God'	's Holy	Spirit to	o help you	answer t	the questions.

- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 19, verses 1 - 10.
1. What is the name of the man who lived in Jericho?
2. How did he become rich?
3. Because he was short what did he do to see Jesus?
4. RISKY: How do you know he was anxious to see Jesus?
5. What did the crowd think and say when Jesus told Zacchaeus to come out of the tree for He was going to his home? See verse 7.
6. Zacchaeus became a believer and follower of Jesus. What does he do that shows he was a changed man? The answer is in verse 8.
7. Which of Jesus' disciples was also a tax collector?

Read Luke chapter 19, verses 11 - 27.

1. According to Luke 19:11, why did Jesus tell the story?
2. RISKY : Since the nobleman is a picture of Jesus, where do you think He was going to receive His crown? See Luke 19:12.
3. What did Jesus say about the two servants who increased their wealth?
4. What did the third servant do according to Luke 19:20,21?
5. How did the king reply to this man?
6. What does Luke 19:26 say?
7. HARD : What do you think this parable has to do with us today?

Read Luke chapter 19, verses 28 - 48.

1. As Jesus neared the city of Jerusalem, He sent two disciples ahead to get a colt from the city, and to bring it to Him. He told them where to find it and what to say if someone questioned them What does Luke 19:32 say?
2. Everything happened just as Jesus said it would. What did Jesus do when the colt was brough to Him?
3. The crowd called Jesus "King." Was everyone happy with His title?
4. How did Jesus reply to the Pharisees?
5. In Luke 13:34,35 Jesus cried over the city of Jerusalem, and again in Luke 19:41. What does He say in Luke 19:43,44 will happen to Jerusalem?
6. CHALLENGE : What happened in the Temple according to Luke 19:45,46?
7. After this, Jesus taught in the Temple every day. Why couldn't the chief priests and other leaders stop Him?

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY

DISCUSSION — LESSON 19

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: RESCUE RELAY

Choose teams, then teams stand in single file behind the starting line. One player from each team is at the opposite end of the room standing behind the goal line, facing his team. Upon the signal, he races to the first person in his line, takes his hand and races back to the goal line. The leader stays at the goal line while the player just taken runs back to the team and gets the next player. Continue the "rescue" in this manner, so that each player taken to the goal line returns to get another person until all players are in single line formation BEHIND the goal line. The first team to finish, wins.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 19

to end of class CRAFT: CROSS NECKLACE

MATERIALS

2 popsicle style craft sticks paint and brush 24" cording, narrow ribbon, twine, or rawhide Mod Podge Gloss glue, or adhesive

Cut one stick 2 1/2" long, the other 1 5/8" long, with ends cut straight. Glue the two sections to form a cross; the horizontal piece should be glued about 5/8" from the top of the vertical piece. Paint. If two coats are necessary, be sure first coat is dry before applying second. When dry, apply two coats Mod Podge, making certain first coat is dry before applying second. Cross the center of the cording, ribbon, twine, or rawhide, over the cross where it intersects; glue to back to secure, and tie the ends together.

LUKE – LESSON 19 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 19, verses 1 - 10.

- 1. What is the name of the man who lived in Jericho? Zacchaeus.
- 2. How did he become rich? He was a tax collector for the Romans. [A Jewish tax collector was employed by the Romans who charged taxes. As long as Rome received the right amount of taxes, it didn't matter how much more was charged. That's how Zacchaeus became rich.]
- 3. Because he was short what did he do to see Jesus? He climbed a tree.
- 4. **RISKY**: How do you know he was anxious to see Jesus? verse 4: "So he ran ahead and climbed into a sycamore tree beside the road. For he knew that Jesus would be passing that way."
- 5. What did the crowd think and say when Jesus told Zacchaeus to come out of the tree for He was going to his home? See verse 7. "But the crowds were angry. 'He has gone to be the guest of a terrible sinner!' they said."
- 6. Zacchaeus became a believer and follower of Jesus. What does he do that shows he was a changed man? The answer is in verse 8. "Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord. He said, 'Sir, from now on I will give half my wealth to the poor. Also, I might find I have charged someone too much for his taxes. If so, I will give him back four times as much as I took!" [His actions backed up his spoken testimony.]
- 7. Which of Jesus' disciples was also a tax collector? Matthew. [Matthew left his home town and went into full-time service with and for Jesus, like a pastor or missionary. Zacchaeus stayed in his home town and served Jesus there in his job, but he was different. He would witness to his neighbors by his life style. He showed them he was a changed man. Both men had a personal relationship with Jesus.]

Read Luke chapter 19, verses 11 - 27.

- 1. According to Luke 19:11, why did Jesus tell the story? "As they were listening Jesus told them a story. He told it because He was getting near to Jerusalem. And He wanted to make it clear that the Kingdom of God would not begin right away."
- 2. **RISKY**: Since the nobleman is a picture of Jesus, where do you think He was going to receive His crown? See Luke 19:12. <u>Heaven, which in this passage is called a "distant capital of the empire."</u>

- 3. The nobleman gave money to ten of his servants. Two increased the money. What did Jesus say about them? They were faithful to increase what had been given to them and were given more responsibility.
- 4. What did the third servant do according to Luke 19:20,21? "But the third man brought back only the money he had started with. 'I've kept it safe.' he said. 'I did this because I was afraid you would demand my profits. For you are a hard man to deal with. You take what isn't yours and even take the crops that others plant."
- 5. How did the king reply to this man? <u>verses 22-24</u>: "You vile and wicked slave!' the king roared. 'Hard, am I? That's exactly how I'll be toward you! You say you know all about me. You say I am so hard. If you thought this, then why didn't you put the money in the bank? That way I could at least get some interest on it!' Then turning to the others standing by he ordered, 'Take the money away from him. Give it to the man who earned the most interest."
- 6. What does Luke 19:26 say? "Yes,' the king replied, 'but those who have will get more. And those who have little soon lose even that."
- 7. **HARD**: What do you think this parable has to do with us today? [Jesus returned to heaven where He was crowned King. He gave gifts and talents to His disciples (and us); they are to be used to tell others about Him. Whatever gifts God has given us we are to use for His glory.]

Read Luke chapter 19, verses 28 - 48.

- 1. As Jesus neared the city of Jerusalem, He sent two disciples ahead to get a colt from the city, and to bring it to Him. He told them where to find it and what to say if someone questioned them. What does Luke 19:32 say? "They found the colt just as Jesus said they would."
- 2. Everything happened just as Jesus said it would. What did Jesus do when the colt was brought to Him? verse 35-37: "So they brought the colt to Jesus. And they threw some of their clothing across its back for Jesus to sit on. Then the crowds spread out their robes along the road ahead of Him. They came to the place where the road started down from the Mount of Olives. And there, the whole crowd began to shout and sing as they walked along. They praised God for all the great miracles Jesus had done."
- 3. The crowd called Jesus "King." Was everyone happy with His title? No. Verse 39: "But there were some Pharisees in the crowd. They said to Jesus, 'Sir, tell Your followers to stop saying things like that!"

- 4. How did Jesus reply to the Pharisees? verse 40: "He replied, 'I might tell them to keep quiet. But if I did, the stones along the road would burst into cheers."
- 5. According to Luke 13:34,35 Jesus cried over the city of Jerusalem., and again in Luke 19:41. What does He say in Luke 19:43,44 will happen to Jerusalem? "Your enemies will pile up earth against your walls. They will surround you and close in on you. They will crush you to the ground, and your children within you. Your enemies will not leave one stone upon another. For you have rejected the chance God gave you."
- 6. **CHALLENGE**: What happened in the Temple according to Luke 19:45,46? "Then He went into the Temple. And He began to drive out the merchants from their stalls. He said to them, "The Scriptures say, "My Temple is a place of Prayer. But you have turned it into a den of thieves!""
- 7. After this, Jesus taught in the Temple every day. Why couldn't the chief priests and other leaders stop Him? <u>verse 48</u>: "But they couldn't think of a way to stop Him. This was because He was a hero to the people. The crowd listened to every word He said."

LUKE - LESSON 20

Before you begin your lesson:

	a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.
R	ead Luke chapter 20, verses 1 - 8.
1.	What was Jesus preaching in the Temple?
2.	According to the following verses, what is the Gospel?
	Romans 1:16-17
	Romans 10:9
3.	What question did the chief priests, scribes and elders ask Jesus?
4.	What did Jesus ask them?

5. **RISKY**: What did the chief priests, scribes and elders talk about?

Read Luke chapter 20, verses 9 - 18.

1.	HARD : Jesus returned to teaching the people. He told them a parable. The people in the parable are pictures of someone else. Who do you think these "picture" people are?
	the man who planted a vineyard:
	the vineyard:
	the vine-growers or husbandman or tenants:
	the slaves, or messengers:
	the son:
2.	CHALLENGE: How would you tell this parable?
3.	The cornerstone of a building is the base upon which all of the other stones are placed. This base must be firm and straight or the building will tilt. Luke 20:17 tells us about the stone the builders rejected which became the cornerstone of the building. What does 1 Peter 2:6 say about God's Cornerstone?
R	ead Luke chapter 20, verses 19 - 26.
1.	Why did the chief priests want to arrest Jesus once they heard His story about the field?
2.	What question did the spies ask Jesus?

3. Jesus used a coin to answer their question. What did He say in Luke 20:25?
4. God has rules Christians need to follow, including rules of government. What does Romans 13:1,2 say about honoring those who are in charge of us?
Read Luke chapter 20, verses 27 - 47.
1. Who came to Jesus with a question about marriage in the resurrection?
2. What does Exodus 3:6 say?
3. No one asked Jesus any more questions after He talked about Moses. What question did Jesus ask them in Luke 20:37,38?
4. HARD : In Luke 20:46,47 Jesus warned the people about some religious leaders. What did He say they liked, but hid in their hearts?

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-ONE

DISCUSSION — LESSON 20

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: BARNYARD

Divide into teams of two or three, depending on size of class. Each team chooses an animal that would be found on a farm: chickens, roosters, cows, cattle, dogs, sheep, horses, etc. Choose someone to be IT. When teams have their animals, tell them to IT so IT knows what to call. Set boundaries: start, finish, play area. Teams stand behind the start line. IT stands in the middle of play area between the start and finish lines. IT calls out an animal, such as: COW. The team that's COW tries to race to the finish line without being tagged. When a player is tagged, player stops and sits where tagged. Player then helps IT tag remaining players. Game continues from start to finish lines, and back again, as long as there are runners. If IT calls BARNYARD, all players run.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 20

to end of class CRAFT: BLACKBOARD PLAQUE

MATERIALS

small blackboard plaque [found in WalMart, craft stores, ranging in price, size, and shape, \$1.49 to \$2.69] acrylic paint brushes chalk yarn, ribbon, or lace (optional)

Using the chalk, draw a picture on the blackboard. Paint in the picture. Allow to dry. OPTIONAL: A small piece of yarn or ribbon can be used for hanging. Or lace can be glued around frame.

LUKE — LESSON 20 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 20, verses 1 - 8.

- 1. What was Jesus preaching in the Temple? The Gospel, or Good News.
- 2. According to the following verses, what is the Gospel?

Romans 1:16-17: "I am not ashamed about Christ's Good News. It is God's powerful way to bring all who believe it to Heaven. This message was first preached only to the Jews. But now everyone is asked to come to God in the same way. This Good News tells us that God makes us ready for Heaven. [Jesus] makes us right in God's sight. This happens when we put our faith and trust in Christ to save us. This happens from start to finish by faith. As the Bible says, 'The man who finds life will find it by trusting God.'"

Romans 10:9: "This is how you will be saved. Tell others with your own mouth that Jesus is your Lord. Also, believe in your own heart that God has raised Him from the dead."

- 3. What question did the chief priests, scribes and elders ask Jesus? <u>verse 2: "Tell us by what authority You are doing these things, or who is the one who gave You this authority?" (NAS).</u> ["These things" can refer to Jesus' ride into Jerusalem, the cleansing of the Temple, His healings, teachings and parables. These men wanted Jesus to explain His actions.]
- 4. What did Jesus ask them? <u>verse 4: "Was John sent by God, or was he just acting under his own authority?"</u>
- 5. **RISKY**: What did the chief priests, scribes and elders talk about? They were trying to decide how they should answer Jesus' question. If they believed John's message was from heaven, and he said Jesus was the Messiah (John 1:29-34), then they would have to agree Jesus was the Messiah. If they disagreed with John's message, they feared what the people would do. The people believed John's message of repentance and his claim that Jesus was the Lamb of God.
- 6. Was either question answered? No.

Read Luke chapter 20, verses 9 - 18.

1. **HARD**: Jesus returned to teaching the people. He told them a parable. The people in the parable are pictures of someone else. Who do you think these "picture" people are?

the man who planted a vineyard: God

the vineyard: the nation Israel

the vine-growers or husbandmen or tenants: <u>the priests, elders, scribes; those responsible for giving out God's message; the religious rulers</u>

the slaves, or messengers: the prophets who foretold of Israel's sin and the need of repentance

the son: <u>Jesus</u>

- 2. CHALLENGE: How would you tell this parable? [The owner (God) planted a field (the nation Israel who was to lead the world to God). The field (Israel) needed to be cared for, so the owner (God) put vine-growers or husbandmen (scribes, priests, elders) in charge of the field (Israel). When the owner (God) sent messengers or slaves (prophets) to the tenants (scribes, priests, elders), they would not listen, and beat and killed them. Then the owner (God) decided to send His Son (Jesus), but the people beat and killed Him too. So the owner (God) gave the vineyard (salvation) to others.]
- 3. The cornerstone of a building is the base upon which all of the other stones are placed. This base must be firm and straight or the building will tilt. Luke 20:17 tells us about the stone the builders rejected which became the cornerstone of the building. What does 1 Peter 2:6 say about God's Cornerstone? "The Bible says, 'I am sending Christ to be the chosen and honored Cornerstone of my church. I will never fail those who trust in Him."

Read Luke chapter 20, verses 19 - 26.

- 1. Why did the chief priests want to arrest Jesus once they heard His story about the field? They knew He spoke this parable about them.
- 2. What question did the spies ask Jesus? <u>verse 22</u>: "Now tell us this. Is it right to pay taxes to the Roman government or not?" [This is a trick question. The Jews felt that paying the tax was giving honor to Caesar. They also resented paying taxes to Rome. If Jesus said they should not pay the tax, they would send the Roman soldiers after Him. If He said to pay the tax, they would accuse Him of putting Caesar ahead of Moses and the Law, and even Himself, the Messiah.]
- 3. Jesus used a coin to answer their question. What did He say in Luke 20:25? "He said, 'Then give Caesar all that is his. And give to God all that belongs to Him!"
- 4. God has rules Christians need to follow, including rules of government. What does Romans 13:1,2 say about honoring those who are in charge of us? "Obey the rulers because God is the one Who has put them there. There are no rulers anywhere that God has not put in power. So those who refuse to obey the laws of the land are refusing to obey God. They will be punished."

Read Luke chapter 20, verses 27 - 47.

- 1. Who came to Jesus with a question about marriage in the resurrection? The Sadducees. ["The Sadducees did not believe in the Resurrection" (McGee).]
- 2. What does Exodus 3:6 say? "'I Am the God of your fathers. I Am the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.' Moses covered his face with his hands. He was afraid to look at God."
- 3. No one asked Jesus any more questions after He talked about Moses. What question did Jesus ask them in Luke 20:37,38? "But your real question is about the resurrection. You don't believe people will rise from the dead. Yet even the writings of Moses himself prove this! Haven't you read about the time when Moses saw the burning bush? There, Moses speaks of God as 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' To say that the Lord is someone's God means that person is alive, not dead! So from God's point of view, all men are living." [The Sadducees could not believe in the resurrection of the dead because they said there was no proof in the old Testament of it. That is why Jesus quoted Moses from Exodus.]
- 4. **HARD**: In Luke 20:46,47 Jesus warned the people about some religious leaders. What did He say they liked, but hid in their hearts? [They were full of pride, and had cheating hearts, wanting only what was best for themselves.] "Beware of these experts in religion,' He said. 'For they love to walk around in fancy robes. They love it when the people bow to them as they walk along the street. And how they love the seats of honor in the synagogues and at feasts! They pray long prayers with great outward piety. But at the same time, they make plans to cheat widows out of their property. So God's heaviest judgment will be given to these men."

LUKE — LESSON 21

Before you begin your lesson:

2 Corinthians 9:7

a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.
Read Luke chapter 21, verses 1 - 4.
1. Two kinds of people are mentioned who gave an offering to the Temple. Who were they?
2. What did Jesus say about the widow's giving in Luke 21:3,4?
3. HARD : What do you think Jesus meant?
4. PERSONAL : Do you give some of your money to your church or Sunday School? Do you ever volunteer your time to help at your church without expecting to be paid?
5. What do these verses say about giving?2 Corinthians 8:3

Read Luke chapter 21, verses 5 - 19.

1.	Some people following Jesus enjoyed looking at the beautiful art work in the temple. What did Jesus say would happen to the stones of the temple?
2.	CHALLENGE : The people were surprised at what Jesus said. What questions did they ask Him in Matthew 24:3?
3.	What does Luke 21:8-12 say would happen before Jesus returned?
	Luke 21:8
	Luke 21:9,10
	Luke 21:11
	Luke 21:12
4.	According to Luke 21:13 what will the outcome be of all this persecution?

Read Luke chapter 21, verses 20 - 33.

1. In Luke 21:20-26 Jesus gives more information about what will happen before His return. What hope does He give us in Luke 21:27-28?
2. How can we tell when summer is close?
3. What does Luke 21:31 say is close when the other things happen?
4. But we don't know the time when these things will happen. What does Jesus say will pass away, and what will stay?
Read Luke chapter 21, verses 34 - 38.
1. What warning does Jesus give us in Luke 21:34,35?
2. What did Jesus tell us to watch for in Mark 13:35-37?
3. PERSONAL : If Jesus came today, would He be pleased with what you were doing?
4. What did Jesus do every day?

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-TWO

DISCUSSION — LESSON 21

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: HAVE STUDENTS PICK A FAVORITE

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 21

to end of class CRAFT: WET CHALK PAINTING

MATERIALS

colored chalk plain white paper sponge and bowl of water newspaper stencils (optional)

Place paper on newspapers; dampen art paper with wet sponge; draw picture with colored chalk. Or, trace stencil on dry paper with pencil; then dampen paper with wet sponge; color picture with chalk.

LUKE — LESSON 21 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 21, verses 1 - 4.

- 1. Two kinds of people are mentioned who gave an offering to the Temple. Who were they? <u>The rich people and a poor widow.</u>
- 2. What did Jesus say about the widow's giving in Luke 21:3,4? "I tell you the truth,' He said. 'This poor widow has given more than all the rest of them put together. For they have given a little of what they didn't need. But she, poor as she is, has given all she has."
- 3. **HARD**: What do you think Jesus meant? [Possibly, the widow didn't have much to give, but what she did have she gave. It was a sacrifice for her to give, while the rich gave what they thought was enough.]
- 4. **PERSONAL**: Do you give some of your money to your church or Sunday School? Do you ever volunteer your time to help at your church without expecting to be paid?
- 5. What do these verses say about giving?
 - 2 Corinthians 8:3: "They gave not only what they could afford but far more. I tell you that they did it because they wanted to. They didn't do it because of nagging on my part."
 - 2 Corinthians 9:7: "Each person should decide how much he should give. No one should force him to give. God loves cheerful givers."

Read Luke chapter 21, verses 5 - 19.

- 1. Some people following Jesus enjoyed looking at the beautiful art work in the temple. What did Jesus say would happen to the stones of the temple? <u>verse 6: "But Jesus said, 'Soon all these things will be knocked down. Not one stone will be left on top of another. All of it will become one great pile of rubble."</u>
- 2. **CHALLENGE**: The people were surprised at what Jesus said. What questions did they ask Him in Matthew 24:3? "When will this happen?' the disciples asked Him later. They were sitting on the slopes of the Mount of Olives. 'What events will show that You are coming back? How will we know the end of the world is near?'"
- 3. What does Luke 21:8-12 say would happen before Jesus returned?

Luke 21:8 false Messiahs

- Luke 21:9,10 wars
- Luke 21:11 earthquakes, famines, plagues, and terrifying things in the heavens
- Luke 21:12 great persecution
- 4. According to Luke 21:13 what will the outcome be of all this persecution? "But as a result, the Messiah will be widely known and honored."

Read Luke chapter 21, verses 20 - 33.

- 1. In Luke 21:20-26 Jesus gives more information about what will happen before His return. What hope does He give us in Luke 21:27-28? "Then the peoples of the earth shall see Me! I, the Messiah, shall come in a cloud with power and great glory. So when all these things begin to happen, stand straight and look up! For your salvation is near."
- 2. How can we tell when summer is close? verse 30: "When the leaves come out, you know without being told that summer is near."
- 3. What does Luke 21:31 say is close when the other things happen? "In the same way, you will see these things happening. And when you do, you will know the Kingdom of God is near."
- 4. But we don't know the time when these things will happen. What does Jesus say will pass away, and what will stay? <u>verse 33: "All heaven and earth shall pass away. But My words remain forever true."</u>

Read Luke chapter 21, verses 34 - 38.

- 1. What warning does Jesus give us in Luke 21:34,35? "Watch out! Don't let My sudden coming catch you when you aren't ready. Don't let me find you living in careless ease like all the rest of the world. Don't let Me find you partying and drinking. Don't let Me find you tied up with the problems of this life."
- 2. What did Jesus tell us to watch for in Mark 13:35-37? "Keep a sharp lookout! For you do not know when I will come. I might come at evening, at midnight, early dawn, or late daybreak. Don't let Me find you sleeping. Watch for My return! This is My message to you and to everyone else."
- 3. **PERSONAL**: If Jesus came today, would He be pleased with what you were doing?
- 4. What did Jesus do every day? He went to the Temple to teach. [Remember this is the last week of His life.]

LUKE — LESSON 22

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 1 -	6.
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- 1. What special event was coming? See Luke 22:1.
- 2. CHALLENGE: What does Exodus 12:1-14 tell us about Passover?

- 3. In Luke 22:2 what were the chief priests and other religious leaders planning?
- 4. What did Judas Iscariot do?

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 7 - 20.

- 1. Who went to Jerusalem to find a room to celebrate the Passover?
- 2. **RISKY**: What instructions did Jesus give so they could find this room?
- 3. Peter and John found the room just as Jesus had said. Then, when it was the right time, Jesus and the apostles gathered there and celebrated the Passover. What did Jesus say about the bread in Luke 22:19?

	HARD : What do you think Jesus meant when He said "do this in remembrance of Me"? (See CHALLENGE question 2 under Luke 22:1-6 to help you answer.)
5.	What did Jesus say in Luke 22:20 when He took the cup?
6.	CHALLENGE: Using your dictionary what does covenant mean?
	HARD : What do the following scriptures say about the covenants God made with His people?
	Exodus 24:7-8
	Exodus 34:28
	Hebrews 9:18,22
	CHALLENGE : Today this celebration is called Communion. What does Paul say in 1 Corinthians 11:23-26?

9. What should we do before we take communion? See 1 John 1:9.		
10. What does 1 Corinthians 11:28 also say we should do before we take communion?		
11. PERSONAL : Are your sins forgiven? Why not confess your sins, be forgiven, and ask Jesus to come into your heart so that He can help you live to please Him?		
Read Luke chapter 22, verses 21 - 30.		
1. What did Jesus tell His disciples in Luke 22:21?		
2. Was Jesus' death part of God's plan for Him? See Luke 22:22.		
3. Each disciple wanted to be the leader, so they began to argue about who would be the best. What did Jesus say in Luke 22:26 to stop this argument?		
4. RISKY : What do you think Jesus meant when He told them they must become servants in order to be a leader? See Matthew 20:27 to help you answer.		
5. How can we do what Matthew 20:27 says? Read Philippians 2:3,4 for your answer.		
6. It's not easy to let others have their way, especially when we want to have our way first. But God can help us do this. What does Philippians 2:13 say?		

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-THREE

DISCUSSION — LESSON 22

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: CAR LOT

Break into teams — 2-3 per team. Each team chooses the name of a car and stands behind the start line. The object of the game is to reach the goal line without being tagged. One person is chosen to be IT. IT stands between start and goal lines, and calls either the name of a car such as "Mustang"; that group runs to goal line. If tagged by IT, player must sit on floor. Tagged player remains seated on floor, but can also help IT tag other members. If "CAR LOT" is called, all players run at once. When all bu one player has been tagged, remaining player becomes next "IT".

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 22

to end of class CRAFT: IMAGINATION DRAWINGS

MATERIALS

drawing paper crayons or markers

Give the students several ideas to select from and have them draw pictures from their imagination. If time allows they may do more than one. Here are some suggestions:

What do you look like when you're tired?
What does your stomach look like after you've eaten?
What would you see looking at something under a magnifying glass?
If you were to move, what would you like your new home to look like?
Draw a picture of your best friend.
Draw a picture of where you would like to go on a vacation.

LUKE — LESSON 22 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 1 - 6.

- 1. What special event was coming? See Luke 22:1. The Passover Feast.
- 2. **CHALLENGE**: What does Exodus 12:1-14 tell us about Passover? It was to take place every year. A male lamb, or goat, one year old without any defects was to be killed. The blood was to be put on the door frame [this formed a type of cross]. The need was to include the lamb, unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Traveling clothes had to be worn. The lamb had to be roasted. If all of it wasn't eaten that night, it had to be burned the next day. They had to be prepared to leave in a hurry. (Verse 11-13) "This observance shall be called the Lord's Passover. For I will pass though the land of Egypt tonight. I will kill all the oldest sons and firstborn male animals in all the land of Egypt. The blood you have placed on the doorposts will be proof that you obey Me. When I see the blood I will pass over you. I will not destroy your firstborn children when I smite the land of Egypt."
- 3. In Luke 22:2 what were the chief priests and other religious leaders planning? They were planning a way to murder Jesus without causing a riot.
- 4. What did Judas Iscariot do? <u>verse 4: "And Judas went over to the chief priests and captains of the Temple guards. He talked with them about the best way to betray Jesus to them."</u>

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 7 - 20.

- 1. Who went to Jerusalem to find a room to celebrate the Passover? Peter and John.
- 2. **RISKY**: What instructions did Jesus give so they could find this room? They were to find a man carrying a pitcher of water, follow him, and then ask to use his guest room. [Carrying water was a task the women did. So a man carrying water would stand out in a crowd. Homes of the upper class usually had guest rooms. These homes looked like square boxes. The guest room would be the second story. It would look like a box upon a box. This room was reached by an outside stairway. Lodging was free during Passover. It was not uncommon for a Rabbi to request a special room in order to share with his followers what was on his heart.]
- 3. Peter and John found the room just as Jesus had said. Then, when it was the right time, Jesus and the apostles gathered there and celebrated the Passover. What did Jesus say about the bread in Luke 22:19? "And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to them, saying 'This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me'"(NAS).

- 4. **HARD**: What do you think Jesus meant when He said "do this in remembrance of Me"? (See CHALLENGE question 2 under Luke 22:1-6 to help you answer.) [Every time the Jewish people celebrated Passover, they were remembering how God had helped their ancestors escape the bondage of slavery in Egypt. Now Jesus gave them something new to remind them of their escape from the bondage of sin. When they celebrated the New Covenant, they were to remember what He had done in order to free them from the bondage of sin.)]
- 5. What did Jesus say in Luke 22:20 when He took the cup? "After supper He gave them another cup of wine. He said, 'This wine is the token of God's new agreement to save you. It is an agreement sealed with the blood I shall pour out. And with it, I will buy back your souls.""
- 6. **CHALLENGE**: Using your dictionary what does covenant mean? "Solemn agreement or contract: to promise by solemn agreement (to)" (Holt). "The term applied to various transactions between God and man, and man and his fellowman" (Unger).
- 7. **HARD**: What do the following scriptures say about the covenants God made with His people?
 - Exodus 24:7-8: "And he read to the people the Book he had written. It was called the Book of the Covenant. It contained God's directions and laws. And the people said again, 'We promise to obey every one of these rules.' Then Moses threw the blood from the basins toward the people. Then he said, 'This blood confirms the covenant. It seals the covenant the Lord has made with you in giving you these laws."
 - Exodus 34:28: "Moses was up on the mountain with the Lord for 40 days and 40 nights. And in all that time he neither ate nor drank. At that time God wrote out the Covenant—The Ten Commandments—on the stone tablets."
 - Hebrews 9:18,22: "That is why blood was sprinkled before the first agreement could begin. In the old agreement almost everything was cleansed by sprinkling it with blood. Unless blood is shed there is no forgiveness of sins."
- 8. **CHALLENGE**: Today this celebration is called Communion. What does Paul say in 1 Corinthians 11:23-26? "I have told you what the Lord told me about His Table. It was on the night when Judas betrayed Him. The Lord Jesus took bread. When He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples. He said, 'Take this and eat it. This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember Me.' In the same way, He took the cup of wine after supper. He said, 'This cup is the new promise God has given you. He will keep His promise because I shed My blood. Do this to remember Me when you drink it.' Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup you show the Lord's death. Do this until He comes again."

- 9. What should we do before we take communion? See 1 John 1:9. "If we confess our sins, He can be depended on to forgive us. He will cleanse us from every wrong. It is proper for God to do this because Christ died for our sins."
- 10. What does 1 Corinthians 11:28 also say we should do before we take communion? "So a [person] should think carefully before eating the bread and drinking from the cup."
- 11. **PERSONAL**: Are your sins forgiven? Why not confess your sins, be forgiven, and ask Jesus to come into your heart so that He can help you live to please Him?

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 21 - 30.

- 1. What did Jesus tell His disciples in Luke 22:21? "But here at this table is the man who will betray Me. He is sitting among us as a friend."
- 2. Was Jesus' death part of God's plan for Him? See Luke 22:22. "I must die. It is part of God's plan. But, oh, how terrible it will be for the man who betrays me!"
- 3. Each disciple wanted to be the leader, so they began to argue about who would be the best. What did Jesus say in Luke 22:26 to stop this argument? "But among you, the one who serves you best will be your leader."
- 4. **RISKY**: What do you think Jesus meant when He told them they must become servants in order to be a leader? See Matthew 20:27 to help you answer. [In order to be a leader, you must first learn to serve others] "And if you want to be right at the top, you must serve like a slave."
- 5. How can we do what Matthew 20:27 says? Read Philippians 2:3,4 for your answer. "Don't be selfish. Don't live to impress others. Be humble. Think of others as better than yourself. Don't just think about your own affairs. Be interested in others and in what they are doing."
- 6. It's not easy to let others have their way, especially when we want to have our way first. But God can help us do this. What does Philippians 2:13 say? "For God is at work within you. He helps you want to obey Him. And He helps you do what He wants."

LUKE — LESSON 23

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 31 - 38.	
1. What sad news does Jesus tell Simon Peter in Luke 22:31?	
2. Have you played in the sand with a bucket, shovel, and screen? When you place the screen over the top of the bucket, and pour sand on it, what happens?	
3. Jesus prayed for Peter. What does Romans 8:34 say Jesus does for us?	
4. Sometimes we are tempted to do something wrong, that is, to sin. According to James 4:7-8 how should we behave when tempted?	
5. Peter promised not to leave Jesus. But what did Jesus tell Peter would happen before the rooster crowed?	
6. In Luke 9:3 Jesus sent the disciples out to preach the Good News. They didn't take any supplies and they got along just fine. What does He tell them to take in Luke 22:36?	

7. **RISKY**: Jesus said the two swords they had was enough. This was a warning about future events. What do you think He was telling them?

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 39 - 46.

- 1. At the Mount of Olives, what did Jesus tell His disciples in Luke 22:40?
- 2. Sometimes our prayers to God are for selfish reasons. How did Jesus end His prayer to His Father?
- 3. **PERSONAL**: Do you end your prayers asking for God's will to be done?
- 4. Who strengthened Jesus?
- 5. Jesus asked His disciples to pray. But what were they doing while He prayed?

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 47 - 53.

- 1. Judas led a crowd into the Garden of Gethsemane. How did he point Jesus out to them?
- 2. Jesus scolded Judas. The other disciples thought Jesus had signaled them to start a fight. Read John 18:10. Which disciple tried to defend Jesus?
- 3. What does Luke 22:51 say Jesus did for the servant?

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 54 - 62.

- 1. Jesus was grabbed and taken away. Peter followed and joined the soldiers sitting by the fire. What did the servant girl say?
- 2. This was the first time Peter denied knowing Jesus. What happened after his third denial?

- 3. Jesus heard the rooster crow; He looked at Peter when He heard the third denial. What did Peter do when he heard the rooster and saw Jesus look at him?
- 4. **CHALLENGE**: What promise is in Isaiah 57:15 for Peter and us?

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 63 - 71.

- 1. Jesus gave many prophecies. What did the guards do to Him in Luke 22:63-65?
- 2. Who came to examine Jesus early in the morning after His arrest?
- 3. **HARD**: Jesus had been up all day; He spent a long time in prayer before He was arrested. All night He was made fun of and beaten; now He was going to be questioned. What was He asked in Luke 22:70a?
- 4. What did Jesus reply in Luke 22:70b?
- 5. According to Matthew 26:65,66, what happened next?
- 6. What else does Matthew 26:67,68 tell us happened to Jesus?
- 7. **PERSONAL**: After reading what Jesus suffered so far, how does that make you feel? Are you sad Jesus had to go through all this pain so you could be forgiven of your sins? Can you thank Him for doing this for you? Why not thank Him right now? "Jesus, I am thankful You were willing to be made fun of, and beaten for me. It took a lot of love for You to do that. Please forgive me when I don't remember how much pain You suffered before You hung on the cross. Please help me to remember Your pain when others hurt me, so that I can love them and not hurt them in return. Amen."
- 8. **PERSONAL**: Jesus suffered a lot of pain and hurt as Savior. If Jesus isn't your Savior, why not ask Him to be right now? You could pray something like this: "Dear Jesus, I am sorry for all the pain You felt so long ago, so that I could be saved. I am sorry for the pain I give you today when I sin. Please forgive me. Please, come into my heart and show me how I can live in order to please You. Thank you. Amen."

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-FOUR

DISCUSSION — LESSON 23

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: MESSAGE RELAY

Before game begins, teacher writes enough Bible verses so that each team has one verse. Divide into teams and have each team choose a leader. Place verses in a bowl in front of teams. At direction of teacher, each team leader runs to bowl and picks a verse, reads it, returns to head of line and whispers it to the next person, then hands the verse to the teacher. Each person whispers to the next until the last one receives the verse and runs to front of line and repeats it to the teacher. The one who repeats the verse correctly is the winning team. If more than one team repeats the verse correctly, the one who recited it first is the winning team. Repeat as often as the teams want to play.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 23

to end of class CRAFT: ART WITH RICE

MATERIALS

large, simple design or drawing on white paper lightweight cardboard, same size as paper empty plastic butter tubs or bowls, at least 6 food coloring — as many colors as desired toothpicks white glue rice paint brushes

Pour rice into tubs. Pour desired food coloring into various tubs and mix well. Pour glue into a tub. Glue paper to cardboard.

Brush a small section of picture with glue, then pour desired colored rice over it. Brush off excess rice and proceed to the next color.

Use the toothpick to move any stray rice pieces into the proper place.

When desired amount of picture is covered, allow to dry and then coat with a layer of white glue.

LUKE — LESSON 23 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 31 - 38.

- 1. What sad news does Jesus tell Simon Peter in Luke 22:31? "Simon, Satan has asked to have you. He wants to sift you like wheat."
- 2. Have you played in the sand with a bucket, shovel, and screen? When you place the screen over the top of the bucket, and pour sand on it, what happens? [The thin sand runs through the holes, but rocks and other things stay on the top. That is what it means to "sift."]
- 3. Jesus prayed for Peter. What does Romans 8:34 say Jesus does for us? "Who then will condemn us? Will Christ? No! For He is the One Who died for us. He came back to life again for us. He is sitting at the place of highest honor next to God. And He is praying for us there."
- 4. Sometimes we are tempted to do something wrong, that is, to sin. According to James 4:7-8 how should we behave when tempted? "So give yourselves humbly to God. Resist the devil and he will run from you. And when you draw close to God, God will draw close to you. Wash your hands, sinners! Let your hearts be filled with God. He will make them pure and true to Him."
- 6. In Luke 9:3 Jesus sent the disciples out to preach the Good News. They didn't take any supplies, and they got along just fine. What does He tell them to take in Luke 22:36? "But now,' He said, 'Take a duffle bag if you have one. And take your money, too. If you don't have a sword you had better sell your clothes and buy one!"
- 7. **RISKY**: Jesus said the two swords they had was enough. This was a warning about future events. What do you think He was telling them? [There would be hard times ahead. They will have to fight to stay alive in order to preach the Good News. Tribulation was coming. This is not an indication they should arm themselves for war. It is the eastern way of saying their very lives were at stake.]

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 39 - 46.

1. At the Mount of Olives, what did Jesus tell His disciples in Luke 22:40? "There He told them, 'Pray to God that you will not give in to temptation."

- 2. Sometimes our prayers to God are for selfish reasons. How did Jesus end His prayer to His Father? verse 42b: "But I want Your will, not Mine."
- 3. **PERSONAL**: Do you end your prayers asking for God's will to be done?
- 4. Who strengthened Jesus? <u>verse 43: "Then an angel from Heaven came and gave Him strength."</u>
- 5. Jesus asked His disciples to pray. But what were they doing while He prayed? <u>Sleeping</u>.

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 47 - 53.

- 1. Judas led a crowd into the Garden of Gethsemane. How did he point Jesus out to them? verse 47b: "And he approached Jesus to kiss Him" (NAS).
- 2. Jesus scolded Judas. The other disciples thought Jesus had signaled them to start a fight. Read John 18:10. Which disciple tried to defend Jesus? "Then Simon Peter drew a sword and cut of Malchus' right ear. Malchus was the High Priest's servant."
- 3. What does Luke 22:51 say Jesus did for the servant? "But Jesus said, 'Don't fight any more.' And He touched the man's ear and healed it."

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 54 - 62.

- 1. Jesus was grabbed and taken away. Peter followed and joined the soldiers sitting by the fire. What did the servant girl say? <u>verse 56b: "This man was with Jesus!"</u>
- 2. This was the first time Peter denied knowing Jesus. What happened after his third denial? <u>verse</u> 60: "But Peter said, 'Man, I don't know what you are talking about.' And as he said the words a rooster crowed."
- 3. Jesus heard the rooster crow; He looked at Peter when He heard the third denial. What did Peter do when he heard the rooster and saw Jesus look at him? <u>verse 62</u>: "And Peter walked out of <u>the courtyard crying bitterly."</u>
- 4. **CHALLENGE**: What promise is in Isaiah 57:15 for Peter and us? "The Lord is great and lives forever. He is the Holy One. He says, 'I live in a high and holy place. And there those with sad and humble spirits live with me. I give the humble new strength. And I give new courage to those with hearts that are sorry for their sins."

Read Luke chapter 22, verses 63 - 71.

- 1. Jesus gave many prophecies. What did the guards do to Him in Luke 22:63-65? "Now the guards in charge of Jesus began laughing at Him. They covered His eyes and hit Him with their fists. Then they asked 'Who hit You that time, prophet?' And they threw all sorts of other insults at Him."
- 2. Who came to examine Jesus early in the morning after His arrest? <u>verse 66: "The Jewish Supreme Court. The chief priests and all the top religious leaders."</u>
- 3. **HARD**: Jesus had been up all day; He spent a long time in prayer before He was arrested. All night He was made fun of and beaten; now He was going to be questioned. What was He asked in Luke 22:70a? "And they all said, 'Are You the Son of God, then?" (NAS).
- 4. What did Jesus reply in Luke 22:70b? "And He said to them, 'Yes, I Am!"
- 5. According to Matthew 26:65,66, what happened next? "Then the High Priest tore at his own clothing. He shouted, 'Blasphemy! We don't even need any other witnesses. You have heard Him say it! What do you think?' They shouted, 'He is guilty! He should be put to death!"
- 6. What else does Matthew 26:67,68 tell us happened to Jesus? "Then they spat in His face. They hit Him and slapped Him. They said, 'Prophesy to us, you Messiah! Who hit You that time?"
- 7. **PERSONAL**: After reading what Jesus suffered so far, how does that make you feel? Are you sad Jesus had to go through all this pain so you could be forgiven of your sins? Can you thank Him for doing this for you? Why not thank Him right now? "Jesus, I am thankful You were willing to be made fun of, and beaten for me. It took a lot of love for You to do that. Please forgive me when I don't remember how much pain You suffered before You hung on the cross. Please help me to remember Your pain when others hurt me so that I can love them and not hurt them in return. Amen."
- 8. **PERSONAL**: Jesus suffered a lot of pain and hurt as Savior. If Jesus isn't your Savior, why not ask Him to be right now? You could pray something like this: "Dear Jesus, I am sorry for all the pain You felt so long ago, so that I could be saved. I am sorry for the pain I give you today when I sin. Please forgive me. Please, come into my heart and show me how I can live in order to please You. Thank you. Amen."

LUKE - LESSON 24

Before you begin your lesson:

a.	Pray	for	God	's Hol	y S	pirit to	help	you	answer	the c	questions.

- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 1 - 7.

1. Jesus was taken to see Pontius Pilate, the Govern Jesus is accused of doing?	or. What crimes are listed in Luke 23:2 that
2. What does Luke 20:25 say about paying taxes?	

- 3. Pilate asked Jesus if He were the Jewish King. What does John 18:37 say?
- 4. What did Pilate say about the charges brought against Jesus?

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 8 - 12.

- 1, Because Jesus was a Galilean, Pilate sent Him to Herod, who was in charge of that district. How did Herod react to Jesus in Luke 23:8?
- 2. How did Jesus answer Herod's questions?

3. What were the chief priests and other leaders doing while Herod asked Jesus questions?
4. PERSONAL : Picture this: It's Sunday morning. You are in your Sunday school class. Your teacher questions you about the missing offering. Your friends accuse you of taking it. How do you think you would feel?
5. What did Herod and his soldiers do to Jesus?
6. CHALLENGE : How did Herod and Pilate feel about each other?
7. PERSONAL : Do you ever make fun of Jesus as Herod and his soldiers did? Do you ever make fun of another person?
Read Luke, chapter 23, verses 13 - 25.
1. Jesus has been returned to Pilate. Pilate called the chief priests and rulers to him. What does he tell them in Luke 23:14,15?
2. Even though Jesus was found not guilty, Pilate decided to punish Him, not kill Him. But what did the people want?
3. What does Luke 23:19 tell us about Barabbas?

NOTE: The day before Jesus' trial, He arose early in the morning and went to the Temple to teach. In the evening, He had dinner with His disciples. After dinner, they went to the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus spent several hours in prayer. He must have been tired when He was arrested and taken to Pilate. He was questioned by Pilate, taken to Herod and questioned again, beaten, and ridiculed. He was returned to Pilate who had Him whipped before turning Jesus over to be crucified.

	again, beaten, and ridiculed. He was returned to Pilate who had Him whipped before turning Jesus over to be crucified.
5.	According to Matthew 27:27-31 what happened to Jesus before He was taken away to be crucified?
R	ead Luke chapter 23, verses 26 -33.
1.	In those days, when a criminal was to be crucified, he had to carry his own cross. Also, he was made to take the long way around to the place of crucifixion. Jesus was very tired after all He had experienced. What do we know about the man who carried His cross for Him?
2.	Who else was killed with Jesus? And where did the crucifixion take place?
3.	PERSONAL : We have all seen re-creations of how Jesus was crucified. Jesus suffered much
	pain before He was nailed to the cross. Have you stopped to thank God for His wonderful love in sending His Son to you?

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-FIVE

DISCUSSION — LESSON 24

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: FAST WALK RELAY

Form relay teams. At the signal the first player in line begins walking, taking very long strides towards the goal line. No hopping, jumping, or running is allowed. In long walking strides he returns to his team and tags the next player in line. He then moves to back of line. First team to return to starting positions wins. All players must take long walking strides. This can be changed to use very short strides; or use long towards the goal, and short towards team.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 24

to end of class CRAFT: STAINED GLASS BOOKMARK

MATERIALS

5" x 8 1/2" cross cut from black construction paper square, rectangle, & triangle pieces of multicolored construction paper Mod Podge Gloss glue

Glue colored pieces of construction paper onto the "cross," making a pattern of the pieces. Any overhanging pieces of paper can be cut to make the "cross" a neat, smooth shape after gluing. Apply two coats Mod Podge Gloss on both sides of "cross." Be sure to allow to dry between coats.

LUKE — LESSON 24 — ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 1 - 7.

- 1. Jesus was taken to see Pontius Pilate, the Governor. What crimes are listed in Luke 23:2 that Jesus is accused of doing? "This fellow has been leading our people astray. He tells them not to pay their taxes to the Roman government. And He claims He is Messiah, a King." [Violating the Law of Moses was not a crime in the eyes of the Roman Government. That is why the Council accused Jesus of treason. Also, Pilate usually came to Jerusalem during Passover to make sure the celebrating crowds would not cause trouble.]
- 2. What does Luke 20:25 say about paying taxes? "[Jesus] said, 'Then give Caesar all that is his. And give to God all that belongs to Him.'"
- 3. Pilate asked Jesus if He were the Jewish King. What does John 18:37 say? "Yes.' Jesus said, 'I was born for that purpose. And I came to bring truth to the world. All who love the truth are My followers."
- 4. What did Pilate say about the charges brought against Jesus? <u>verse 4: "Then Pilate turned to the chief priests and the crowd. He said, 'So? That isn't a crime!" [It wasn't a crime to be a Jewish King, but it would have been a crime to say He was King over Rome. Besides, Jesus didn't look much like a King. He wore the clothes of a peasant.]</u>

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 8 - 12.

- 1. Because Jesus was a Galilean, Pilate sent Him to Herod, who was in charge of that district. How did Herod react to Jesus in Luke 23:8? "Herod was happy for a chance to see Jesus, for he had heard a lot about Him. Herod was hoping to see Him do a miracle." [In other words, Herod wanted Jesus to perform for him.]
- 2. How did Jesus answer Herod's questions? He didn't. He remained silent.
- 3. What were the chief priests and other leaders doing while Herod asked Jesus questions? "And the chief priests and scribes were standing there, accusing Him [angrily]" (NAS).
- 4. **PERSONAL**: Picture this: It's Sunday morning. You are in your Sunday school class. Your teacher questions you about the missing offering. Your friends accuse you of taking it. How do you think you would feel?
- 5. What did Herod and his soldiers do to Jesus? They laughed at Him. They put a kingly robe on Him. And they sent Him back to Pilate. [Herod had put John the Baptist in prison, and then beheaded him.]

- 6. **CHALLENGE**: How did Herod and Pilate feel about each other? They didn't like one another. But this day they became friends.
- 7. **PERSONAL**: Do you ever make fun of Jesus as Herod and his soldiers did? Do you ever make fun of another person? [We may not make fun of Jesus, but if we make fun of someone else whom Jesus loves, it's the same as making fun of Jesus.]

Read Luke, chapter 23, verses 13 - 25.

- 1. Jesus has been returned to Pilate. Pilate called the chief priests and rulers to him. What does he tell them in Luke 23:14,15? "'You brought this man to me.' he said. 'You accused Him of leading a revolt against Rome. I have tested Him on this point and find Him innocent. Herod thought the same and sent Him back to us. Nothing this man has done calls for the death penalty."
- 2. Even though Jesus was found not guilty, Pilate decided to punish Him, not kill Him. But what did the people want? <u>verses 17, 18: "But a mighty roar rose from the crowd. They shouted with one voice, 'Kill Him! Give Barabbas to us!"</u>
- 3. What does Luke 23:19 tell us about Barabbas? "Barabbas was in prison for starting a rebellion against the government. He was also there for murder."
- 4. What does Matthew 27:26 tell us Pilate did? "So Pilate set Barabbas free. But he had Jesus whipped and sent Him away to be crucified."

NOTE: The day before Jesus' trial, He arose early in the morning and went to the Temple to teach. In the evening, He had dinner with His disciples. After dinner, they went to the Garden of Gethsemane where Jesus spent several hours in prayer. He must have been tired when He was arrested and taken to Pilate. He was questioned by Pilate, taken to Herod and questioned again, beaten, and ridiculed. He was returned to Pilate who had Him whipped before turning Jesus over to be crucified.

5. According to Matthew 27:27-31 what happened to Jesus before He was taken away to be crucified? "But first they took Him into the armory. There, they called out the whole company of soldiers. They stripped Him and put a red robe on Him. They made a crown from long thorns and put it on His head. They put a stick in His right hand for a scepter. And they bowed before Him to make fun of Him. 'Hail, King of the Jews,' they yelled. They spat on Him and grabbed the stick from His hands. They beat Him on the head with it. After the mockery, they took off the robe. They put His own garment on Him again. And they took Him out to crucify Him."

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 26 - 33.

- 1. In those days, when a criminal was to be crucified, he had to carry his own cross. Also, he was made to take the long way around to the place of crucifixion. Jesus was very tired after all He had experienced. What do we know about the man who carried His cross for Him? verse 26: "And Simon of Cyrene was forced to follow, carrying Jesus' cross. This man was coming into Jerusalem from the country." [Simon was from the Greek city of Cyrene, west of the Libyan desert (which today is Tripoli). He had probably planned a long time for this trip to celebrate the Passover in Jerusalem. It is generally accepted that this is the same Simon mentioned in Mark 15:21, the father of Alexander and Rufus, and mentioned by Paul in Romans 16:13.]
- 2. Who else was killed with Jesus? And where did the crucifixion take place? verses 32-33: "Two others, criminals, were led out to be killed with Him. They were taken to a place called 'The Skull.' And there all three were crucified. Jesus was put on the center cross. The two criminals were hung on either side of Him."
- 3. **PERSONAL**: We have all seen re-creations of how Jesus was crucified. Jesus suffered much pain before He was nailed to the cross. Have you stopped to thank God for His wonderful love in sending His Son to you?

LUKE — LESSON 25

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 34 - 43.
1. Read Matthew 27:34. What did they try to give Jesus?
2. What did Jesus say in Luke 23:34 after He had been nailed to the cross?
3. What did the soldiers do with Jesus' clothing?
4. What does John 19:23,24 say about Jesus' robe?
5. CHALLENGE : Jesus was mocked by the Jewish leaders, the soldiers, and one of the criminals as well as the crowd. What was the common thing they said about Him? See Luke 23:35,37,39 to help with your answer.
6. What did the criminal who didn't make fun of Jesus say in Luke 23:40,41?
7. What did this criminal ask Jesus?
8. This criminal knew Who Jesus was. What promise does Jesus make to him?

9.	According to these scriptures, how can a lost person be saved?
	Titus 3:4,5
	John 1:11,12
10	Even though Jesus was dying on the cross, He was concerned for His mother's care. What did
	He do about it according to John 19:25,27?
R	ead Luke chapter 23, verses 44 - 49.
1.	What happened at noon time?
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۷.	The darkness symbolized the sin of the world. What do these verses say about sin?
	Habakkuk 1:13a
	2 Corinthians 5:21
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3.	In the darkness Jesus felt God had left Him. What does Matthew 27:46 say He cried out?
4.	The time of Jesus' death is very near. What does He say in John 19:28?

5. What did Jesus receive to drink? See John 19:29.
6. What does John 19:30a say Jesus did after receiving the sour wine?
7. In Luke 23:46 what did Jesus give to His Father?
8. What happened at that moment? See Matthew 27:51,52 for your answer.
Read Luke chapter 23, verses 50 - 56. 1. What do you learn about Joseph in Luke 23:50-52?
2. How did Joseph know Jesus was dead? Read John 19:33-35 for your answer.
3. Why did the women follow Joseph? See Luke 23:55,56.
4. PERSONAL : After reading about Jesus' crucifixion and burial, how do you feel about His sacrifice?

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-SIX

DISCUSSION — LESSON 25

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: BARNYARD

Divide into teams of two or three, depending on size of class. Each team chooses an animal that would be found on a farm. Chickens, roosters, cows, cattle, dogs, sheep, horses, etc. Choose someone to be IT. When teams have their animals, tell them to IT so IT knows what to call. Set boundaries: start, finish, play area. Teams stand behind the start line. IT stands in the middle of play area between the start and finish lines. IT calls out an animal, such as: COW. The team that's COW tries to race to the finish line without being tagged. When a player is tagged, player stops and sits where tagged. Player then helps IT tag remaining players. Game continues from start to finish lines, and back again, as long as there are runners. If IT calls BARNYARD, all players run.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 25

to end of class CRAFT: TISSUE PAPER FLOWERS

MATERIALS

3 colors of tissue paper straight pins

florist tape pretty bottle or inexpensive vase

thin florist wire

3 graduated circle patterns for tissue paper (suggested sizes 2", 3", and 4", or any size you choose)

Using patterns, cut various sized circles from the 3 colors of tissue paper. Alternate the sizes and colors for variety.

Lay several graduated circles in a stack, with largest circle on bottom. Put a pin through the middle and push the "petals" up over the head of the pin. Place the florist wire next to the pin and wrap florist tape around the bottom of the petals and the pin. Cut wire to desired length.

You may wish to make the petals look different by rounding the edges or fringing them.

LUKE — LESSON 25 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 34 - 43.

- 1. Read Matthew 27:34. What did they try to give Jesus? "And there, the soldiers gave Him drugged wine to drink. But when He had tasted it, He would not drink it." [This "gall" was given to deaden the pain of the crucifixion. The criminal's feet were only two or three feet off the ground. The cross was in a T shape, with the victim's arms stretched across the cross bar, and no place to rest his head. The nails were driven into the hands and feet, or sometimes the feet were loosely bound to the cross. Halfway up was a projecting piece of wood upon which the victim's weight rested. Crucifixion was a slow death. The victim was left to die of hunger, thirst, and suffocation. It was not uncommon for a victim to take as long as a week to die.]
- 2. What did Jesus in say Luke 23:34 after He had been nailed to the cross? "'Father, forgive these people,' Jesus said. 'For they don't know what they are doing.'"
- 3. What did the soldiers do with Jesus' clothing? "And the soldiers gambled for His clothing, throwing dice for each piece."
- 4. What does John 19:23,24 say about Jesus' robe? "So the soldiers crucified Jesus. Then they put His clothes into four piles. There was one piece of clothing for each of them. But they said, 'Let's not tear up His robe,' for it was seamless. 'Let's throw dice to see who gets it.' This fulfilled the Scriptures. It said, 'They divided My clothes among them and cast lots for My robe." [A Jewish man had five pieces of clothing: the inner tunic, the outer robe, the girdle, the sandals, and the turban. Four soldiers marched with Jesus to the crucifixion site. There they made four piles of His clothing. Jesus' robe was woven without a seam, and to cut it would have decreased its value. So, they gambled for it.]
- 5. **CHALLENGE**: Jesus was mocked by the Jewish leaders, the soldiers, and one of the criminals, as well as the crowd. What was the common thing they said about Him? See Luke 23:35,37,39 to help with your answer. [In general: If You are the Messiah, prove it, and save Yourself.]
- 6. What did the criminal who didn't make fun of Jesus say in Luke 23:40,41? "But the other criminal stopped him. 'Don't you even fear God when you are dying?' he said. 'We deserve to die for what we did. But this man hasn't done one thing wrong."
- 7. What did this criminal ask Jesus? <u>verse 42: "Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when You come into Your Kingdom."</u>
- 8. This criminal knew Who Jesus was. What promise does Jesus make to him? "And Jesus replied, 'Today you will be with Me in Paradise. This is a solemn promise."

- 9. According to these scriptures, how can a lost person be saved?
 - Titus 3:4,5 "Then the time came for the kindness and love of God our Savior to appear. He saved us. He didn't save us because we were good enough to be saved. He saved us because of His kindness and pity. He washed away our sins and gave us the joy of the Holy Spirit inside us."
 - John 1:11,12 "He was not accepted even in His own land and among His own people. Only a few would welcome and receive Him. But to all who received Him He gave the right to become God's children. All they needed to do was to believe in Him."
- 10. Even though Jesus was dying on the cross, He was concerned for His mother's care. What did He do about it according to John 19:25,27? "Jesus saw His mother standing there beside His beloved disciple [John]. He said to her, 'He is your son.' And to the beloved disciple He said, 'She is your mother!' And from then on the disciple took her into his home."

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 44 - 49.

- 1. What happened at noon time? <u>verse 44: "By now it was noon and darkness fell across the whole land. The darkness lasted for three hours, until three o'clock."</u>
- 2. The darkness symbolized the sin of the world. What do these verses say about sin?
 - Habakkuk 1:13a <u>"Your [God's] eyes are too pure to look upon evil; You cannot tolerate wrong" (NIV).</u>
 - 2 Corinthians 5:21 "For God took the sinless Christ and poured into Him our sins. Then, He poured God's goodness into us!"
- 3. In the darkness Jesus felt God had left Him. What does Matthew 27:46 say He cried out? "About three o'clock, Jesus shouted, 'Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?' This means, 'My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"
- 4. The time of Jesus' death is very near. What does He say in John 19:28? "Jesus knew that everything was now finished. To fulfill the Scriptures, He said, 'I'm thirsty."
- 5. What did Jesus receive to drink? See John 19:29. "A jar of sour wine was sitting there. So a sponge was soaked in it. They put it on a hyssop branch and held it up to His lips."
- 6. What does John 19:30a say Jesus did after receiving the sour wine? "When Jesus had tasted it, He said, 'It is finished."

- 7. In Luke 23:46 what did Jesus give to His Father? "Then Jesus shouted, 'Father, I commit My spirit to You.' And with those words He died."
- 8. What happened at that moment? See Matthew 27:51,52 for your answer. "Right then, the curtain in the Temple was torn apart from top to bottom. The earth shook, and rocks broke apart. Tombs opened, and many godly men and women who had died came back to life again."

Read Luke chapter 23, verses 50 - 56.

- 1.What do you learn about Joseph in Luke 23:50-52? "Then a man named Joseph went to Pilate and asked for Jesus' body. He was from the city of Arimathea in Judea. He was also a member of the Jewish Supreme Court. Now Joseph was a godly man, and he had been looking for the Messiah's coming. He had not agreed with the actions of the other Jewish leaders."
- 2. How did Joseph know Jesus was dead? Read John 19:33-35 for your answer. "But when they came to Him, they saw that He was dead already. So they didn't break His legs. However, one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear. As he did this, blood and water flowed out. A witness saw all this and has given a true report. Therefore, you can believe it."
- 3. Why did the women follow Joseph? See Luke 23:55,56. "As Jesus' body was taken away, the women from Galilee followed. And they saw Him carried into the tomb. Then they went home and bought spices for His burial. But by the time they were finished it was the Sabbath. So they rested all that day, as the Jewish law said they should."
- 4. **PERSONAL**: After reading about Jesus' crucifixion and burial, how do you feel about His sacrifice?

LUKE — LESSON 26

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 23 verses 55,56; and chapter 24, verses 1 - 7.
1. Who came to the tomb early on the first day of the week?
2. Why were they carrying spices?
3. What did they find when they reached the tomb?
4. How did the women feel?
5. CHALLENGE : The angels reminded the women what Jesus had told them earlier. What does Luke 18:31-34 say?
6. What did the men ask the women in Luke 24:5b?
Read Luke chapter 24, verses 8 - 12.
1. After the women remembered Jesus' words, what did they do?
2. RISKY : Why did they go to tell only 11 disciples? See Matthew 27:5.
3. Did the 11 disciples believe the women?

4. Some of the disciples might have forgotten Jesus' words about His resurrection, but there was another group who remembered. What does Matthew 27:62-63 tell us about those who remembered Jesus' words?
5. Which disciple believed the women?
6. After he ran to the tomb, and saw that it was empty, what did he do?
7. What did Peter do before Jesus' crucifixion? See Luke 22:61.
Read Luke chapter 24, verses 13 - 26.
1. RISKY : On what day do we find Cleopas and his friend going to their home in Emmaus?
2. What strange thing happened to them as they walked along the road talking?
3. PERSONAL : What would you do if all of a sudden Jesus started to walk beside you and your friend? Do you think you would recognize Him?
4. What did they accuse Jesus of in Luke 24:18?
5. What did these men tell Jesus in Luke 24:19b-23?
Read Luke chapter 24, verses 27 - 31.
1. What did Jesus begin to quote to these men?

2.	In Luke 24:29 what did the men ask Jesus to do?
3.	What happened to the men after Jesus blessed the bread and broke it?
4.	What happened in Luke 18:35-43?
5.	HARD : Jesus healed the physically blind. What type of blindness did the men of Emmaus have?
6.	PERSONAL : After studying about Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection, are you more grateful for His sacrifice for you? Have your spiritual eyes been opened to His free gift of salvation? Is He calling you to be a part of God's family? If He is, why not ask His forgiveness now? Ask Him to come into your life to help you live as He wants you to live. And don't forget to thank Him for doing it.
7.	What is the promise found in 2 Corinthians 4:14 to everyone who has faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord?

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-SEVEN

DISCUSSION — LESSON 26

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: KING PIN

Draw a circle 15 feet in diameter with chalk or string. Place a plastic 2 liter bottle in the center. One player is guard over the bottle. Other players remain outside the circle. The guard is to protect the bottle "King Pin" from being knocked down by a ball being thrown by a player outside the circle. The player who knocks down the pin becomes the next guard.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 26

to end of class CRAFT: COASTERS

MATERIALS

lids from margarine, cottage cheese, or yogurt containers old greeting cards, comic strips, magazines, leaves, etc. glue scissors pencil spray shellac

Have enough lids for each child to make at least two coasters, more if possible. Have each child choose the pictures wanted for his coaster. Trace the lid onto pictures and cut out. Glue pictures to top of lid and allow to dry. When dry, spray with three coats of shellac. This makes them waterproof.

LUKE — LESSON 26 ANSWERS

Read Luke chapter 23 verses 55,56; and chapter 24, verses 1 - 7.

- 1. Who came to the tomb early on the first day of the week? The same women who followed His body after it was taken from the cross according to Luke 23:55.
- 2. Why were they carrying spices? The spices were for His burial.
- 3. What did they find when they reached the tomb? "The huge stone covering the entrance had been rolled aside. So they went in, but the Lord Jesus' body was gone." [Tombs in the east were carved out of caves in the rock. The body was wrapped in long strips soaked in preserving spices and laid on a ledge inside the cave. The stone was like a large wheel that rolled in a groove at the cave's entrance. This is the stone that was rolled away.]
- 4. How did the women feel? They were confused.
- 5. **CHALLENGE**: The angels reminded the women what Jesus had told them earlier. What does Luke 18:31-34 say? "Then Jesus called His 12 disciples together around Him. He said to them, 'As you know, we are going to Jerusalem. And when we get there, all the words of the prophets about Me will come true. I will be handed over to the Gentiles to be laughed at. I will be treated badly and spat upon. I will be whipped and then killed. And on the third day I will rise again.' But they didn't understand what He was saying. They thought He was just talking in riddles."
- 6. What did the men ask the women in Luke 24:5b? "Then the men asked, 'Why are you looking in a tomb for someone who is alive?"

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 8 - 12.

- 1. After the women remembered Jesus' words, what did they do? "So they rushed back to Jerusalem to tell His 11 disciples what had happened."
- 2. **RISKY**: Why did they go to tell only 11 disciples? See Matthew 27:5. "So Judas threw the money onto the floor of the Temple. Then he went out and hanged himself."
- 3. Did the 11 disciples believe the women? No. "Their story sounded like a fairy tale to the men. They didn't believe it."

- 4. Some of the disciples might have forgotten Jesus' words about His resurrection, but there was another group who remembered. What does Matthew 27:62-63 tell us about those who remembered Jesus' words? "On the next day, the chief priests and Pharisees went to Pilate. 'Sir, that liar once said, "After three days I will come back to life again.""
- 5. Which disciple believed the women? <u>Peter</u>.
- 6. After he ran to the tomb, and saw that it was empty, what did he do? "Then he went back home again, wondering what had happened."
- 7. What did Peter do before Jesus' crucifixion? See Luke 22:61. "At that moment Jesus turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered what He had said: 'Before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny Me three times.""

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 13 - 26.

- 1. **RISKY**: On what day do we find Cleopas and his friend going to their home in Emmaus? <u>The same day as the resurrection</u>.
- 2. What strange thing happened to them as they walked along the road talking? <u>Jesus appeared to them.</u>
- 3. **PERSONAL**: What would you do if all of a sudden Jesus started to walk beside you and your friend? Do you think you would recognize Him?
- 4. What did they accuse Jesus of in Luke 24:18? "Some terrible things have happened in Jerusalem this last week. You must be the only person who hasn't heard about them."
- 5. What did these men tell Jesus in Luke 24:19b-23? "The things that happened to Jesus, the Man from Nazareth,' they said. 'He was a Prophet who did great miracles. He was a great Teacher, highly respected by both God and man. But the chief priests and our religious leaders arrested Him. They handed Him over to the Romans to be condemned to death. And they killed Him on a cross. We had thought He was the Messiah. We were hoping He had come to save Israel. This all happened three days ago. And now some women from our group have told us some amazing things. They were at His tomb early this morning. And they came back with an amazing report. They said His body was missing. And they claimed they had seen angels who told them Jesus is alive! Some of our men ran out to see. And sure enough, Jesus' body was gone. It was just as the women had said.""

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 27 - 31.

- 1. What did Jesus begin to quote to these men? <u>verse 27</u>: "Then Jesus quoted the writings of the prophets. He began with the Book of Genesis and went right on through the Scriptures. He told them what the passages meant. And He told them what they said about Himself."
- 2. In Luke 24:29 what did the men ask Jesus to do? "But they begged Him to stay the night with them. For by that time, it was getting late. So He went home with them."
- 3. What happened to the men after Jesus blessed the bread and broke it? Then suddenly their eyes were opened. They knew Who He was! And at that moment He was gone!"
- 4. What happened in Luke 18:35-43? "As they came to Jericho, a blind man was sitting beside the road. He was begging from the travelers who went by. When he heard the noise of a crowd going past, he asked what was happening. He was told that Jesus from Nazareth was going by. So he began shouting, 'Jesus, Son of David! Have mercy on me!' The crowds ahead of Jesus tried to quiet the man. But he only yelled the louder, 'Son of David! have mercy on me!' When Jesus got there, He stopped. 'Bring the blind man over here,' He said. Then Jesus asked the man, 'What do you want?' 'Lord,' he begged, 'I want to see!' And Jesus said, 'All right, begin seeing! Your faith has healed you.' Right away the man could see, and he followed Jesus, praising God. And all the people who saw it happen praised God, too."
- 5. **HARD**: Jesus healed the physically blind. What type of blindness did the men of Emmaus have? Spiritual. At first, they did not recognize Jesus because they weren't expecting to see Him.
- 6. **PERSONAL**: After studying about Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection, are you more grateful for His sacrifice for you? Have your spiritual eyes been opened to His free gift of salvation? Is He calling you to be a part of God's family? If He is, why not ask His forgiveness now? Ask Him to come into your life to help you live as He wants you to live. And don't forget to thank Him for doing it.
- 7. What is the promise found in 2 Corinthians 4:14 to everyone who has faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord? "God brought the Lord Jesus back from death. We know that He will also bring us back to life again with Jesus. He will present us to Him along with you."

LUKE — LESSON 27

Before you begin your lesson:

- a. Pray for God's Holy Spirit to help you answer the questions.
- b. Some questions may be too hard; it's okay to write "I don't know."
- c. Think about what God's Word is telling you for today.

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 32 - 36.
1. What feelings did the two disciples tell each other they had while they walked on the road to Emmaus?
2. How soon after Jesus left did they go back to Jerusalem?
3. RISKY : What time of day do you think it was when they returned to Jerusalem?
4. HARD : We are told in Luke 24:34 Jesus and Peter had a meeting. Why do you think He me alone with Peter?
5. How do we know we are loved by the Lord when we sin against Him? See 1 John 1:9. If you don't have this verse memorized, why not memorize it today?
6. After the two disciples told their story of meeting Jesus on the road to Emmaus, what happened before they finished speaking?

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 37 - 45.

1. How did everyone act when Jesus showed up?
2. What two things did Jesus do to prove He was not a ghost?
3. What did Jesus say in Luke 24:44?
4. What does Luke 9:22 say?
5. CHALLENGE: Read Luke 18:31-34. What do these verses tell us about the disciples' understanding of Jesus' words?
6. What did Jesus do for the disciples in Luke 24:45?
Read Luke chapter 24, verses 46 - 53.
1. What did Jesus say in Luke 24:47?
2. With the promise of the forgiveness of our sins we are promised something else. What does 1 Corinthians 15:21,22 say this promise is?
3. PERSONAL : Are you related to the Lord Jesus Christ so that you too will have eternal life?

4. What did Jesus tell these disciples in Luke 24:49?
5. What did Jesus do on the road to Bethany?
6. After Jesus blessed them what did the disciples do?
7. CHALLENGE : In Luke 24:51 we are told Jesus began to rise into the sky. What else does Acts 1:9-11 tell us about this event?
8. When the angels left, what does Luke 24:52b,53 tell us the disciples did next?
9. PERSONAL : If you have met the Lord Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour, do you worship Him with great joy? What does 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 say concerning joy, prayer, and thanksgiving?
10. PERSONAL : We like to spend time with our human friends. God likes for us to spend time with Him too. Are you willing to spend time with God by reading the Bible and talking to Him in prayer? Remember He loves you more than any human ever could, because "God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son. Anyone who believes in Him will not die but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

LUKE — WEEK TWENTY-EIGHT

DISCUSSION — LESSON 27

15 - 20 minutes free time — games, fellowship

15 - 20 minutes snack and group recreation: BASKETBALL RELAY

Form two equal teams for this relay game. Each team has a basketball, or any kind of ball. The front player passes the ball over her head to the player behind. The next player passes it between his legs to the player behind him. The next player passes the ball over his head, and so the play continues. Once the ball leaves a player's hands, he sits down. The first team sitting wins the game. You can make this interesting by adding balls or other objects.

15 - 20 minutes discuss LESSON 27

to end of class CRAFT: CUPCAKE BOUQUET

MATERIALS

cupcake liners in various colors green pipe cleaners green construction paper white Styrofoam cups florist tape

OPTIONAL: junior size baby food jars; paint/brushes; sand

Place three varied-color liners on top of each other; feather out as you would napkins. With a pencil, poke two close-together holes through the center. Insert pipe cleaner up through one hole and down the other. Leave one end longer than the other for the flower stem. Twist the shorter end around the longer end to keep cups from slipping. Cut green leaves from construction paper; poke up onto pipe cleaner stem to base of flower. Make several flowers and bind together with florist tape. When bouquet is ready, stick stems into bottom of upside down cup. Cup can be painted, drawn on, or left white. Or, jar can be painted, filled with sand, or any heavy substance, and bouquet stems inserted.

LUKE - LESSON 27

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 32 - 36.

- 1. What feelings did the two disciples tell each other they had while they walked on the road to Emmaus? vs. 32: "They began telling each other how they had felt while walking with Him. Their hearts had felt strangely warm. And they had been excited as He told them what the Scriptures meant."
- 2. How soon after Jesus left did they go back to Jerusalem? Within the hour.
- 3. **RISKY**: What time of day do you think it was when they returned to Jerusalem? [It was probably late in the day because in Luke 24:29 they asked Jesus to spend the night with them.]
- 4. **HARD**: We are told in Luke 24:34 Jesus and Peter had a meeting. Why do you think He met alone with Peter? [Although we don't know the circumstances of this meeting, we assume that since he had denied Jesus, Peter needed to be reassured he was forgiven and still loved by the Lord.]
- 5. How do we know we are loved by the Lord when we sin against Him? See 1 John 1:9. If you don't have this verse memorized, why not memorize it today? "If we confess our sins, He can be depended on to forgive us. He will cleanse us from every wrong. It is proper for God to do this because Christ died for our sins."
- 6. After the two disciples told their story of meeting Jesus on the road to Emmaus, what happened before they finished speaking? vs. 36: "And as they were telling about it, Jesus Himself was suddenly there with them. And He greeted them."

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 37 - 45.

- 1. How did everyone act when Jesus showed up? They were afraid. They thought He was a ghost.
- 2. What two things did Jesus do to prove He was not a ghost? He showed them the marks of the nails, the wounds in His feet, and ate some fish.
- 3. What did Jesus say in Luke 24:44? "Then He said, 'Remember when I was with you before? I told you that everything written about Me must happen.""
- 4. What does Luke 9:22 say? "'For I, the Messiah, must suffer much,' He said. 'I will be rejected by the Jewish leaders. The elders, chief priests, and teachers of the Law will not believe in Me. And I will be killed. Then three days later I will come back to life again!'"

- 5. **CHALLENGE**: Read Luke 18:31-34. What do these verses tell us about the disciples' understanding of Jesus' words? [They didn't know what He was saying because the meaning was hidden from them.]
- 6. What did Jesus do for the disciples in Luke 24:45? "Then Jesus opened their minds to understand at last these many Scriptures!"

Read Luke chapter 24, verses 46 - 53.

- 1. What did Jesus say in Luke 24:47? "It is said that this message of salvation should be taken from Jerusalem to all the nations. Yes, there is forgiveness of sins for all who turn to Me!"
- 2. With the promise of the forgiveness of our sins we are promised something else. What does 1 Corinthians 15:21,22 say this promise is? "Death came into the world because of what Adam did. It is because of what Christ has done that there is the resurrection from the dead. Everyone dies because all of us are related to Adam. But all who are related to Christ will rise again."
- 3. **PERSONAL**: Are you related to the Lord Jesus Christ so that you too will have eternal life?
- 4. What did Jesus tell these disciples in Luke 24:49? "And I am going to send the Holy Spirit upon you. It will happen just as My Father promised. Don't begin telling others yet. Stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes. He will fill you with power from Heaven."
- 5. What did Jesus do on the road to Bethany? "He lifted up His hands toward heaven and blessed them."
- 6. After Jesus blessed them what did the disciples do? "And they worshiped Him."
- 7. **CHALLENGE**: In Luke 24:51 we are told Jesus began to rise into the sky. What else does Acts 1:9-11 tell us about this event? "Not long after this, Jesus rose into the sky. He went up into a cloud, leaving them staring after Him. They were straining their eyes for another look at Him. But suddenly two white-robed men were standing there with them. They said, 'Men of Galilee, why are you standing here staring at the sky? Jesus has gone to heaven. And someday He will come back again, just as He went!"
- 8. When the angels left, what does Luke 24:52b,53 tell us the disciples did next? "Then they went back to Jerusalem filled with great joy. And they stayed continually in the Temple, praising God."

- 9. **PERSONAL**: If you have met the Lord Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour do you worship Him with great joy? What does 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 say concerning joy, prayer, and thanksgiving? "Always be joyful. Always keep on praying. No matter what happens, always be thankful. This is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus."
- 10.**PERSONAL**: We like to spend time with our human friends. God likes for us to spend time with Him too. Are you willing to spend time with God by reading the Bible and talking to Him in prayer? Remember He loves you more than any human ever could, because "God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son. Anyone who believes in Him will not die but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

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