

Unit 20 at a Glance

Jesus Cares

Unit Overview

Jesus awakens to calm the storm as well as the fears of his disciples. He has compassion on a man who cannot walk and heals him. This unit centers on how much Jesus cares for us and our feelings. Young children have many fears: storms, new situations, the dark or shadows. Children will learn that Jesus is strong and powerful and he takes care of them, so they do not have to be afraid.

Unit Goals

- The children will learn that Jesus cares for their feelings.
- The children will play games and sing songs that address their fears, as they learn about Jesus' love and protection.
- The children will pray to God for the sick.

Unit Contents

Bible Truth

Jesus cares for me. 1 Peter 5:7

Lesson 1 Do Not Be Afraid

Jesus may have been sleeping but that didn't mean that he couldn't help. The children will be comforted as they learn that Jesus cares for them and wants to help them.

Lesson 2 Jesus Cares for Me

The children will explore some fears and will learn that God made some of the things that they are afraid of. They will see that God loves them and will take care of them.

Lesson 3 Ask Jesus for Help

The children will role play caring for the sick. They will learn to pray for and take care of sick friends and family just as Jesus cared for the man who could not walk.

Lesson 4 When I Am Sad

The children will learn that God gave us our feelings and that he wants to know what emotions we are feeling.





Dear Parent,

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On the reverse side of this page, you will find an outline and description of the lessons which comprise this unit. Included is a Bible Truth for you to review with your child at home. Please note that this is simply a biblical concept and not an actual verse.

Your active involvement outside the classroom is essential and will truly make the Kingdom Kids Curriculum a great success for your child. Here are some suggested ways you can reinforce these lessons at home:

- Go outside on a very bright day (or play inside with a bright lamp) to teach your child about shadows. Explain that God made shadows and they cannot harm us. They can actually be very funny! If you are outside, try chasing or stepping on each other's shadows or try stepping on your own. If you are inside, use your hands to make funny shapes on the wall.
- Take flowers, food or a homemade card to a friend or family member who is sick. Let your child pray with you for the sick person. When that person feels better, remind your child that Jesus heard your child's prayers.
- Play a "feelings game" with your child. Stand in front of the mirror, and make different faces to show different emotions: happy, excited, afraid, sad, concerned, embarrassed, etc. Name the emotions as you make the faces. After you and your child make the faces together, try taking turns, with one of you making a face, and the other guessing what the other is feeling. This is very helpful to young children who are learning to use words to express their feelings. Teach your child that Jesus gave us emotions and he cares about how we feel.

We look forward to being partners with you as together we help plant Seeds of Faith in the heart and mind of your child.

Thank you,

Your child's teachers



Unit 20 Song Sheet



Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me, this I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong,
They are weak, but he is strong!

Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

Is It Scary?

(Tune: "Are You Sleeping?")

Is it scary? Is it scary?
No, it's not! No, it's not!
Jesus makes me happy.
I am safe in his arms.
He loves me! He loves me!

Lion Hunt Finger Play

Let's go on a lion hunt.
(Hit your knees alternately with your hands to represent "walking.")
Here's some tall grass.
(Make swishing noises by rubbing your hands together.)
Can't go over it.
Can't go under it.
We'll go through it!
(Make walking sounds.)

I see water.
(Put your hand above your eyes to indicate "looking.")
Can't go over it.
Can't go under it.
We'll have to swim!
(Make swimming motions then switch to walking sounds.)

I see a cave.
(Put your hand above your eyes as if searching.)
Let's go in.
(Make creeping motions with the fingers of your hands.)
It's dark in here.
(Say the next three lines slowly and quietly, and then shout out the fourth line quickly.)
I feel something.
It's soft.
And furry.
It's a LION!
("Run" using a faster tempo of the walking sound and then stop.)
Home at last!

Unit 20 Song Sheet



Must Be Jesus!

(Tune: "Must Be Santa"—"Who's got a beard that's long and white?")

Who calmed the storm when it was bad?
(look scared)

Jesus calmed the storm when it was bad!
(look happy)

Who cheers me up when I feel sad? *(look sad)*
Jesus cheers me up when I feel sad. *(look happy)*
Cheered when sad.

Calm when bad.

Must be Jesus! Must be Jesus! Must be Jesus!
He loves me!

Who makes me glad when I am mad? *(look mad)*
Jesus makes me glad when I am mad!
(look happy)

Whose the best friend that I've ever had?
(look questioning)

Jesus is the best friend that I've ever had!
(look happy)

Friend I've had.

Glad when mad.

Cheered when sad.

Calm when bad.

Must be Jesus! Must be Jesus! Must be Jesus!
He loves me!

"Jesus, Jesus, I Am Sick"

(Tune: "Twinkle Twinkle")

Jesus, Jesus, I am sick.
Will you heal me quick, quick, quick?
Jesus, Jesus, I feel bad.
I don't feel good, so I am sad.

Jesus hears me when I pray.
I feel better right away!
(Repeat)

I Thank You for My Legs

(Tune: "The Farmer in the Dell")

I thank you for my legs.
I thank you for my legs.
(Because I can jump up so high, (Jump))
I thank you for my legs.

Repeat the song with the following:

1. *Because I can run very fast* (run in place)
2. *Because I can stand on my toes* (stand on toes)
3. *Because I kick a soccer ball* (pretend to kick a ball)
4. *Because I dance around the room* (dance)
5. *Because I can kneel down to pray* (kneel)

If You're Happy, and You Know It

If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands!
If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands!
If you're happy and you know it, then your face
will surely show it!
If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands!

Repeat the song with the following:

1. *If you're happy and you know it, stomp your feet.*
2. *If you're happy and you know it, shout Amen!*
3. *If you're angry and you know it, give a frown.*
4. *If you're surprised and you know it, give a "Wow!"*
5. *If you're sad and you know it, you can cry.*
6. *If you're excited and you know it, give a smile!*
7. *If you're proud and you know it, stand up tall!*