

2.18 FRIENDS OF GOD STUDY THE BIBLE

Topic: Becoming a Friend of God

Subtopic: Friends of God Study Bible

2B. Scripture

Class: Standard II (2nd Grade)

Objectives:

Knowledge: When asked how to use the Bible as a guidebook, students will give examples.

Attitude: Students will desire to apply Bible teachings to everyday living

Materials Needed:

Common articles used to guide people—flashlight (torch), map, manual, textbook Bible etc.

Exercise books, Bibles to share

Scripture:

References: Psalm 119:105

Teacher's Notes

Memory Verse: "Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path."

Psalm 119: 105

TEACHER ACTIVITIES

Introduction:

1. Talk about items laid out. What is a common thing about them all—guidance.

Bible Story:

2. The Bible is our guidebook. It is "a lamp to guide me and a light for my path." Psalm 119:105

Suggested Discussion Questions

3. Let's learn some more about how to use the Bible. Where is the Table of Contents and what do we learn from that page?
4. Do you have a page that lists the books of the Bible in alphabetical order? What are abbreviations and what do they mean?
5. Turn to the first chapter in Genesis. Do you have an introduction?
6. If you are told to look up Ps. 119:105, how will you find it?

Application:

7. Allow students opportunity to look up Jn 14:6; Gn 12:1; Ps. 119:105
8. When would we need to use the Bible in our everyday living?

Evaluation:

9. If a friend wrongs you, how can the Bible show you how to react? Look at Ephesians 4:32

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Introduction:

1. Students will identify the items as all giving us guidance.

Bible Story:

2. The Bible guides us through our daily walk.

Possible Answers to Questions:

3. The Table of Contents page is at the beginning of Bible. It tells the page numbers of the books of Bible, maps, subject index etc.
4. Books of the Bible are listed in alphabetical order with abbreviations which are recognized written ways to shorten the name of book
5. The introduction tells what the book is about and how the book is divided.
6. Students will learn to use book abbreviations, followed with the chapter, then a colon (two dots on top of each other), then the verse.

Application:

7. Students practice looking up and reading passages
8. Use the Bible as a guide to help make the correct choices.

Evaluation:

9. "Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another."

Extension Activities

1. Memory Verse: Write the memory verse in the Memory Verse Exercise Book:
“Your word is a lamp to guide me and a light for my path.” Ps 119:105
2. In their other exercise book, have them write “Friends of God Learn to use the Bible” and then have them draw a picture of a lamp or a light on our pathway to remind us that the Bible guides us in how we should live.
3. Talk about life situations that the Bible gives specific guidance for such as a) how to treat your parents: Ex 20:12. We are to honor our parents. Eph 6:1 says that children are to obey their parents in the Lord. b) when people are not happy with each other, look at Ro 12:18-19, we are to do everything possible to live in peace with everybody and not take revenge. c) when we sin, look at I Jn 1:9 where we are told to confess our sins to God and He will cleanse us from our wrongdoing.

NOTES FOR TEACHERS

Highlights for the Bible Lesson

1. The Bible is God’s Word that lets us know God and how He wants us to live for Him and with others.
2. It is important that we learn how to use the Bible effectively. Getting acquainted with the many things included in the Bible and how to use them allows us to get a better understanding of God’s Word and how it applies to our daily lives.

Introducing the Lesson

On a table lay out several things such as a flashlight (torch), compass, map, light, a sign such as "Enter", textbook, manual to show how to use a computer or appliance, Bible. Talk with the students about what each of these things does. Then ask what these items have in common. Help the students see that each of these things provides guidance. Talk briefly about times when these things are important in life.

Key Point

The Bible is very relevant to us today. As we learn to use the Bible effectively, God truly intended it to be a way for Him to speak to our lives today.

Teacher Evaluation

Did the students respond as if they are beginning to understand how to use the Bible or did I leave them confused? Do I have a good grasp of how the Bible is a guide in my daily life?