

Adventures with GOD!

INTRODUCTION: GOD'S PLAN (A.2.Winter)

LESSONS FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-5

GOALS FOR THE TRIMESTER: Learn different ways that they can show they are followers of Jesus: loving God above all things, loving others, giving, obeying, following God, etc.

MESSAGE TO THE TEACHER:

Proverbs 20:11 says that even children are known by their actions. It's important that as a teacher you live out the truth of these verses. As the focus of this trimester is on living as followers of Jesus, your testimony will be an example in the lives of the children. From the time they are small they will learn to live as disciples of Jesus. That's why it's important to teach not only with our words but also with our actions so that they see what it means to love God, obey God, love others, and share what we have. These are things that will help them grow as they follow God on this adventure.

Children at this age will begin to make their own decisions in terms of what they want to play with, how they will treat others, etc. It's important to help them understand that we show God's love through our actions and our decisions.

During the trimester they will see stories of people whose testimony will teach them what it looks like to share God's immense love that was demonstrated through Jesus Christ.

The illustrations and crafts that are planned for each lesson will help to emphasize the importance of living according to God's ways in all we do. Many of the crafts might not be easy for them to do on their own, so you will need to have things cut out and ready to go ahead of time. Obviously the younger children (ages 3-4) will need more help.

Prepare yourself ahead of time to be able to teach in a way that will impact the lives of these little ones. Pray and put each class in God's hands so that God would make you an instrument of God's good news.