

INTRODUCTION: GOD'S PLAN (B.2.WINTER)

LESSONS FOR CHILDREN AGES 6-8

GOAL FOR THE TRIMESTER:

To study Jesus' teachings about the kingdom of God, as well as the love, forgiveness and will of the Father. To learn that to obey these teachings brings us joy.

MESSAGE FOR THE TEACHER:

Many times we see that Jesus' teachings were difficult. God wants us to live with certain attitudes and with a certain life style that are different from many people. Still, Jesus showed us how to live and left us an example to follow. In addition God's love and Spirit help us to follow God's ways; we are not alone. Many times we feel sad when we fail to do what God expects of us. However, because of God's love and mercy, we can be forgiven and start again.

This trimester the children will be exposed to more of Jesus' teachings and the tools that are found in the Bible that help us to follow Jesus. Remember that each child learns differently. Some children might learn best by using their hands to make something; others might learn best through a game or a physical activity. We need to find ways to involve all of the children. Remember that first and foremost you are a model of God's love, forgiveness and joy.

Before your time with the children, organize the classroom differently if possible. Have it set up in a different way from the last trimester. Make sure to have visual aids, illustrations available. In session one there is a suggestion to make a mural and add to it during the different weeks.

To be able to teach these lessons, it's important that you are immersed in God's word and seeking to live in Jesus' ways. Let these lessons transform your life. We can't teach anything we haven't learned or experienced ourselves.

