

Teacher's Lesson for children

Life of Christ

On a road to Emmaus

Luke 24:13-35

God showed us how much He loved us. Romans 5:8

Younger Verse

Older Verse

God showed how much He loved us by having Christ die for us, even though we were sinful.
Romans 5:8 (CEV)

Welcome Time

As you walk along the street gathering kids, tell them that Jesus did something similar after He came back to life. You might want to continue by saying, "And you know what? The people did not even recognize Him! Can you believe it!"

Bible Story

*Please note: This portion of the lesson is given to help in teaching the lesson. Please read through the story and read it in the Bible. Do **NOT** read from this piece of paper. Instead, make a note sheet and place it next to the story in the Bible.*

On Easter Sunday, two friends of Jesus were walking to a town about 2-3 hours walking distance away (7 miles). They were talking about all the things that had happened to Jesus.

While they were talking, a stranger began to walk with them (it was Jesus but they didn't know it).

Jesus asked them what they were talking about. The two men stopped. They were amazed that this "stranger" didn't know what had happened to Jesus.

They began to explain how Jesus was arrested and nailed to a cross. Sadly, they told the "stranger" that some women went to His grave and found that the body was not there. Then, they told Him how some men went to the grave and found it just as the women said.

Then, Jesus spoke to them, explaining everything that had been written about Himself in the Scriptures.

They came to the entrance of the town and Jesus acted as if He did not plan to stop there. However, the two people begged Him to stay with them.

He entered their home and sat down to eat with them. He took a piece of bread, thanked God for it, and gave it to them. All of a sudden, the men recognized Jesus! How excited they were. At that same moment, Jesus disappeared.

They looked around and He was gone. They couldn't believe their eyes.

The two men were filled with joy and excitement. They jumped up and hurried back to Jerusalem.

Lesson Goals

Reinforce to the children that Jesus is alive
Assure the children that Jesus will never leave them
Give the children an opportunity to accept Jesus

They found Jesus' friends and told them all the good news. Everyone was joyful to know that Jesus was alive! They were so excited that He was alive like He said He would be. He kept His promise.

We can believe in Jesus too! He died for all people—you and me included. He promises that when we ask Him into our lives, He comes in and will NEVER leave us. He will be our forever friend. Would you like Jesus in your life? He loves you so much and even knows your name. He knows all about you and loves you. That's why He died, so that if you believe in Him, you will go to heaven. Please talk to us if you want to know more about Jesus.

Learning Activities

It's fun to act out this story, maybe outdoors to attract others. Look for opportunities to help kids know more about Jesus and how He can change their lives.

Memory Verse Activities

Make up a song and sing the verse. It is a great way to help the kids remember the verse. Also, talk about how important it is that Jesus died for us.

Prayer Time

Thank God for Jesus—that He is alive. Pray for needs that the class may have. Share answers to prayers too.

Snack Time/CleanUp

Enjoy snacks together. Sometimes just hangin' out with the kids helps them see how much you love them.

Planning for April 25th
Love your enemies
Luke 6:27-36

Preschool Lesson For A Road to Emmaus

On Easter Sunday, two friends of Jesus were walking to a town. It was a very LONG walk on a dirt road. (Make walking steps) They were talking about all the things that had happened to Jesus.

While they were talking, a stranger began to walk with them (Whisper—it was Jesus but they didn't know it).

Jesus asked them what they were talking about. The two men stopped. They were amazed that this "stranger" didn't know what had happened to Jesus.

They began to explain how Jesus was arrested and nailed to a cross. Sadly, they told the "stranger" that some women went to His grave and found that the body was not there. Then, they told Him how some men went to the grave and found it just as the women said.

Then, Jesus spoke to them, explaining everything that had been written about Himself in the Scriptures.

They came to the entrance of the town and Jesus acted as if He did not plan to stop there. However, the two people begged Him to stay with them.

He entered their home and sat down to eat with them. He took a piece of bread, thanked God for it, and gave it to them. All of a sudden, the men recognized Jesus! How excited they were. At that same moment, Jesus disappeared. (Make a surprised face or put your hands on your face like you are surprised)

They looked around and He was gone. (Look around—with your hand on your forehead) They couldn't believe their eyes.

The two men were filled with joy and excitement. They jumped up and hurried back to Jerusalem. (Make running motions with legs and arms or huffing and puffing with your mouth.)

They found Jesus' friends and told them all the good news. Everyone was happy to know that Jesus was alive! They were so excited that He was alive like He said He would be. He kept His promise. They had to tell everyone they knew the wonderful news that Jesus was alive!

We can be happy and tell others about Jesus too!

Let's sing, "My best friend is Jesus."

Hands-On Activities
For
A Road to Emmaus

Make a snack road. Spread frosting on a graham cracker. Use yellow candy like M & M's for the yellow stripe on the road. Or, spread crackers with white frosting and put graham cracker crumbs or Oreo crumbs on top for dirt or rocks.

Who do you tell good news to? (friends, family, etc.) Share how we need to tell the best news of all...Jesus!

Make fun disguise to remind the kids of how the two men did not recognize Jesus. Talk about what it would be like if THEY had Jesus with them. Would it change the words that they said? The things that they did? Talk about it

Lay out tape on carpet to resemble a road. Let the kids make a footprint drawing on paper and tape to the floor. Talk about what the phrases "walk with Jesus" or "follow in His steps" mean.

Make paper footprints with the words of the verse on each footprint. Let the kids put them in order.
