

3C KIDS LESSON

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The family



LESSON OVERVIEW

Let us say it together:

"As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord"

What to prepare

- Read in advance:
 - Genesis 37, 34 + 50
- For opening activity:
 - Pictures of things invented (See below)
- For the application
 - Paper and colouring pencils

Sing along

Copy these links, paste into your browser to play the preferred songs for the week

- **Send Your Rain:**
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tvvFAZfU_x4
- **First:**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Wxi-F9R7Io>
- **I will go:**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=shzOEbCWWSO&t=21s>

Memory verse

- Joshua 24:15b NLT
- "As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord"



Activity Sheets

- Maze
- Missing word
- I am thankful
- VJ Activity
- Colouring

Fitness Fun

Fitness is always fun when you involve the family. Learn new skills and grow strong together with these exercises.

Hello Mom and Dad

Happy love-week family! When we take time to think about all that God has done for us, through His son Jesus, we will be filled with thanksgiving for a love so extraordinary. Our God of love has done many good things for us and that is the reason we can praise Him.

**1 Let all that I am praise the Lord;
with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name.**
**2 Let all that I am praise the Lord may I never forget
the good things he does for me.**
3 He forgives all my sin and heals all my diseases.
**4 He redeems me from death and crowns me
with love and tender mercies.**
5 He fills my life with good things.
My youth is renewed like the eagle's!
Psalm 103:1-5

This week, our children will learn about the beauty and purpose of family through the example of Joseph. The lesson will teach that even in challenging family situations God can restore relationships as we learn to do things His way.

Our lesson objectives for this week:

- Teach our children principles for a happy family
- Teach our children that God can restore any family to work His way

Daily thanksgiving and praise must be a lifestyle as we grow in our prayer life. We encourage you to help kids set some time aside in the week to praise God even when no one is watching. This will also make the lesson time easier for the kids as they become worshippers of God engaging with His presence before the delivery of the word. We have a selection of songs to use in your time together.

We are praying for you and your family!

With love,
3CKids Team

For the teacher/parent - Context of the lesson

- The story takes place in the land of Canaan and Egypt.
- The characters involved are: Joseph and his entire family.
- Despite having been sold into slavery by his brothers, and having been given a position of authority, Joseph was able to restore his family in their time of need.

Opening Activity (See pictures below)

Show students the pictures attached and ask the questions to follow:

1. Show a picture of the first car (pic1)

Ask: Who invented the world's first car? (Answer : Carl Benz)

2. Show a picture of the first computer (pic2)

Ask: Who invented the world's first computer? (Answer: Charles Babbage)

3. Show a picture of the first cell phone (pic3)

Ask: Who invented the world's first cell phone? (Answer: Martin Cooper)

4. Show a picture of a family (pic4)

Ask: Who invented the idea of the family? Who's idea was it for there to be moms and dads and kids and brothers and sisters? (Answer: God)

Say: God invented the family. God invented the family so that our parents could love and take care of us and so that we could learn from and be friends with our brothers and sisters. Today we are going to learn from the story of Joseph how we can have good strong family relationships.

Prayer: Father, thank You for this day. Thank You for an opportunity to learn about Your beautiful and best invention which is the family. I am ready for Your word. In the name of Jesus, amen.

Declare together: As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord

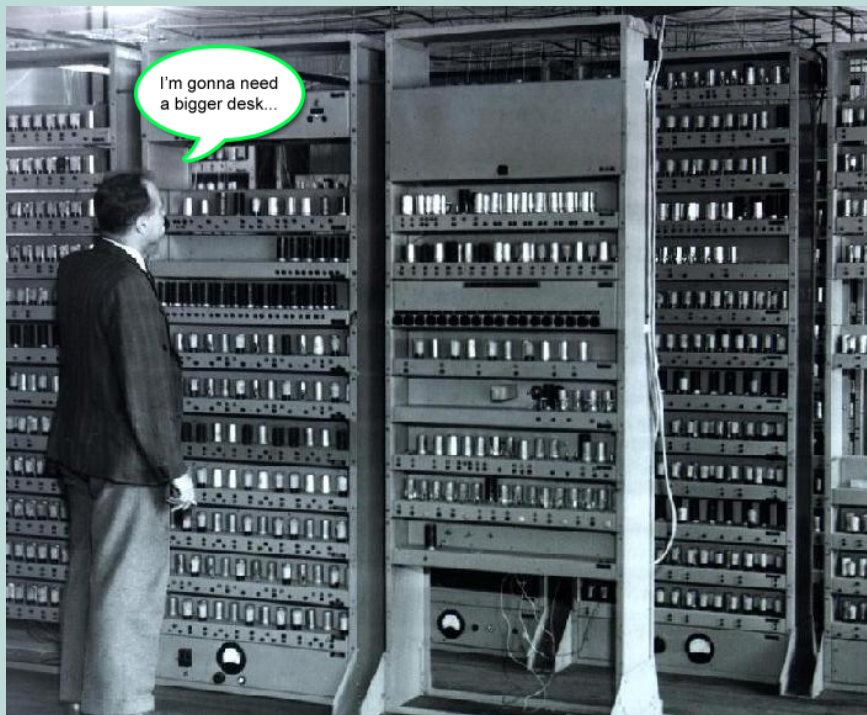
Pic1 - First car



Pic3 - First cellphone



Pic2 - First computer



Pic4 - Family



Lesson



Read the following verses to the kids:

"Instead of hurting him, let's sell him to those Ishmaelite traders. After all, he is our brother - our own flesh and blood!" And his brothers agreed" (Genesis 37:27 NLT).

"Please, come closer," he said to them. So they came closer. And he said again, "I am Joseph, your brother, whom you sold into slavery in Egypt. 5 But don't be upset, and don't be angry with yourselves for selling me to this place. It was God who sent me here ahead of you to preserve your lives."

(Genesis 45:4-5 NLT).

"But Joseph replied, "Don't be afraid of me. Am I God, that I can punish you? You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people. No, don't be afraid. I will continue to take care of you and your children." So he reassured them by speaking kindly to them"

(Genesis 50:19-21 NLT).

Say: We can learn some key principles that can strengthen our families:

- Respecting differences (Genesis 37): Families are made up of lots of people with different likes and dislikes. That is why there can sometimes be disagreements, just like in Joseph's family. It is our responsibility to understand and respect the differences between us.

A hero respects everyone in their family!

- There needs to be forgiveness (Genesis 50): Although Joseph's brothers treated him badly, he was able to forgive them with all his heart. We also need to choose to forgive anyone in our family who has hurt us.

A hero always forgives their family!

- Helping at all times (Genesis 50): Joseph did everything he could to help his family when he saw that they were in need.

A hero always helps their family!

- There is always restoration with God (Genesis 45): There is always reconciliation when God is involved, no matter how divided a family might be. God was able to restore Joseph's family, despite the bad things that had happened, the distance they had travelled and the time that had passed.

A hero knows that God restores home

Application

Say: God loves our families and He has a wonderful plan. If you are missing a mom or dad or sibling in your family, know that God will heal and restore you today as we pray together.

Pray with me: “Father, thank You for giving me a wonderful family. Help me to always take care of them, even when things are hard. Thank You that there is forgiveness in my family. Thank You for restoring my family so we can be everything You made us to be. In the name of Jesus, amen.”

Instruction:

1) Let each child draw a picture of their family. Above or below each of their family members, have them write one of more words describing the good qualities of that family member

2) Let the children pray for their families by applying the blood of Jesus.

- By the blood of Jesus, my family has been redeemed from the power of the enemy. The devil has no power over my family.

- By the blood of Jesus, all the sins of my family have been forgiven. There are no debts outstanding between my family and the Lord.

- By the blood of Jesus, my family has been justified. All the unrighteousness of my family has been nailed to the cross and we have been clothed with the righteousness of Christ. God sees us as if we had never sinned.

- By the blood of Jesus, my family has been sanctified and set apart for God. Every member of my family is God’s private property.

3) Let the children ask their parents to have a weekly time of prayer and devotion together if it is not already happening. The parent/guardian can go through some of the verses of the lessons and the family can pray together.

Repeat memory verse:

Joshua 24:15b NLT –

As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord

Repeat declaration: **As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord**

