

Treasure Quest

LESSON 2: GOD GAVE HIS BEST; I SHOULD GIVE MY BEST!

Teacher and Co-Teacher using the "TQ Lesson 2" Media Shout® or ProPresenter® File.

WATCHING THE BIBLE LESSON AND SKIT ON VIDEO

Purpose Statement: This Skit and Bible Lesson teach the children that everyone has sinned and that God has a plan to help us.

Materials/Props Needed:

- TQ Lesson 2 Media Shout® or ProPresenter® File.
- Jungle Safari Costumes (*vests, boots, and hats*).
- Points Of Destiny Board: see the Training Video for what this looks like, and the "How To" Instructions to build your own.
- Three cardboard boxes to hold one old toothbrush, one rusted saw, and one old pair of shoes respectively.

Lead the children through the Opening Activity "Elephant, Moose, or Mouse", or another Large Group Activity, to engage the children's attention as they enter the room. For a detailed example, watch the "Treasure Quest Lesson 2 Teacher and Co-Teacher Training Video".

Begin Large Group Time [1].

TEACHER

Hello everyone, my name is (*Teacher's name*) and welcome back to our Jungle adventure!

CO-TEACHER

Have I told you how excited I am to be here? I just love being surrounded by (*hears buzzing sound, swats at a bug flying by*) [2] bugs, (*lion roars in the distance*) wild animals (*looks at plants everywhere*) and lots and lots and lots of plants!

TEACHER

Me too!

CO-TEACHER

I also love that we are out here with Andi Bennet and Kit Windswept as they search for the greatest treasure ever!

TEACHER

Me too!

CO-TEACHER

And I love that along the way we are learning about the life of Jesus and how we can be more like Him!

TEACHER

Me too!



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CO-TEACHER

(very excited) I love Jesus!

TEACHER

Me too, again!! And I'm excited that it's not just the four of us on this adventure. We have all of these explorers as well! (points to kids).

CO-TEACHER

Ohhh, that's right! It's nice to have friends as we go on this epic adventure through the dark and dangerous jungle filled with monkeys and lions and bears!

TEACHER

I agree! But before we begin we need to know what our Jungle Rules are so everyone will stay safe and have lots of fun in the process. J.R. #1 -

CO-TEACHER

J.R.?

TEACHER

Really...we went through this last time...Jungle Rule?

CO-TEACHER

Ohhhhh...right!

TEACHER

Okay, J.R. #1 [3] is everyone needs to stay quiet in the jungle, unless asked by your leaders to talk, sing or yell. J.R. #2 [4] - everyone needs to stay in their assigned spaces. The jungle can be a dangerous place so we don't want anyone up and roaming around. J.R. #3 [5] - for the enjoyment of everyone and to show respect, keep your hands and feet to yourself. No shoving, pushing, poking or kicking is allowed. And J.R. #4 [6] - participate in all jungle activities and have FUN!

CO-TEACHER

That's what I'm ready to do! Have some fun with all of you tribal explorers!

TEACHER

And speaking of tribal, you explorers are divided up into three tribes. This team here is the **Bagheera [Bug-eeer-uh] Tribe!** [7] And they have a special song that will play whenever they win that has special motions that goes with it. Play it! [8]

CO-TEACHER

And this group here, you are the **Hathi [Hah-tee] Tribe.** [9] You have a special song as well that sounds like this. [10]

TEACHER

And last but not least we have our **Hatyara [Tay-r-uh] Tribe** [11] and they have a song too...let's hear it! [12]

CO-TEACHER

Those are all great songs but that's not all! The winning tribe also get to send a representative up here to the "Points of Destiny" Board [13] and put their hand into one of these holes. Inside that person will find an ancient relic that has points on the bottom. At the end of each leg of our journey we will



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total up the points on the bottoms of all the relics and which ever team has the most points wins!

TEACHER

All right! One of my most favorite things to do in the jungle is to sing...it helps keep the wild animals away and this particular song helps us to learn some cool things about God. Everyone, on your feet and lets do it!

Teacher and Co-Teacher lead the children in singing "Perfect Love". [14]

TEACHER

Great job everyone! I know that was a new song, but if you keep coming back week after week you'll know it in no time.

CO-TEACHER

So...which tribe do you think is the winner?

TEACHER

Tough one, but I think our sound guy has narrowed it down to one! Hit it sound guy!

Play the "Drumroll" [15] for the winning team.

CO-TEACHER

Great job _____ tribe! Alright, let's get someone up here to pull out a relic from the "Points Of Destiny"! [16]

Pick a child to come up and pull out a Relic from the "Points Of Destiny" board. Don't tell the teams what the point total is on the bottom. That will be saved for the end.

CO-TEACHER

If I remember right last week we found the Sin Stone, but on the back was etched the word BIRTH, is that the stone we are looking for today that will help us learn more about Jesus?

TEACHER

I believe it is!

CO-TEACHER

So when do we get going?

TEACHER

Right now! But to get us moving in the right direction we need to learn something from our **Explorer Expedition Event. [17]** Which, for this particular event I need three participants! *(looks out in the audience and picks three kids to come up while brings out three cardboard boxes)*

TEACHER CONT'D

In front of you each is a special present that I am going to give to my dad for his birthday. I want you to each open one up and tell me what you think before I wrap them up. *(child opens the first box - it is a pair of old sneakers)* What do you think?

CO-TEACHER



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This is what you are giving to your dad for his birthday? You have three brand new pairs of boots back in the tent, why don't you give him one of those pairs instead of these nasty old things?

TEACHER

Oh, I couldn't give those away, those are my best shoes. You never know...I may need all three pair on our journey. *(to second child on stage)* Okay open up box number two. *(child opens the box and it is an old rusty saw)* Nice huh?

CO-TEACHER

How old is this thing?

TEACHER

I don't know, I got it for a nickel at a garage sale.

CO-TEACHER

Say, last time I was at your house I saw two brand new saws hanging in your garage. Wouldn't your dad like one of those better?

TEACHER

Maybe, but I think one is good enough...*(looks at it)*...though it's dull and missing a few teeth. *(to final child)* Okay, open the final box! *(child opens the box and it is a worn out nasty tooth brush)* Now my dad won't have to brush his teeth with his finger any more! Cool huh?

CO-TEACHER

You've got to be kidding me! I know that you just went to the dentist and he gave you a brand new tooth brush.

TEACHER

Yeah, but I always like to keep at least five new brushes with me at all times, you never know when you might lose four.

CO-TEACHER

I don't understand this at all! These are for your dad! Don't you love him?

TEACHER

How dare you? Of course I love my dad!

CO-TEACHER

It doesn't look like it! You of all people should know that when we give to others we shouldn't give our old second hand stuff, we should give our very best!

TEACHER

Ah hah!

CO-TEACHER

Ah hah what?

TEACHER

Ah hah, you figured it out!

CO-TEACHER

Figured what out?

TEACHER

The point of this Explorer Expedition Event! But before I go into all of that with you, I think we need to give our helpers a big round of applause! You guys are awesome, nicely done, please find your seat. Ok, the point of our Explorer Expedition Event is to teach us something about God. And what you just said is a very important thing we need to know about God. Let's take a look at our verse for today. [18]

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son..."
John 3:16a (NLT)

Have the children repeat the Bible Verse after you two or three times or use other methods to creatively reinforce the Bible Verse with the children (clapping, repeating the words, or looking it up in the Bible).

TEACHER (CONT'D)

You didn't think it was right for me as a Christian to give my old worn out stuff, did you?

CO-TEACHER

No, I said that you should give your very best!

TEACHER

Exactly! I should be willing to always give my best because this verse says that God was willing to give His very best for me...His own Son Jesus! Which I think would make a great Main Point! [19]

God Gave His Best, I Should Give My Best!

The Teacher leads the children to make up cheerleader-type hand motions that go along with the Main Point. Once everyone has gone over the Main Point, have the children repeat it with the motions two or three times.

TEACHER

Good job on that Main Point. I think we should award some points to the team who participated the best. So, if I may have a drumroll please?

Play the "Drumroll" [20] and have a child from the winning team come up and pick a Relic from the "Points Of Destiny" board. [21]

CO-TEACHER

(looks at the old stuff) Oh I see what you were doing, you weren't really planning on giving this stuff to your dad were you?

TEACHER

Of course not...I would only give my dad my very best!

CO-TEACHER

You got me! So, when do we set out with Kit and Andi to look for this Birth Stone?

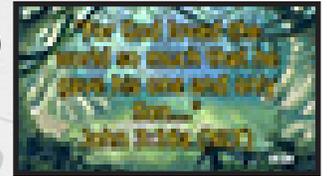
TEACHER

Right now! Let's watch!

Teacher and Co-Teacher exit.



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Play the "Skit and Bible Lesson Video". [22]

Teacher and Co-Teacher re-enter.

TEACHER

All right, before we talk about what Kit just learned, it's time to get on our feet for a little competition.

CO-TEACHER

That's right! It's time for the Monkey Challenge!

Note: Play "Monkey Challenge". [23] Assign a monkey to each team. Whichever color of monkey ends up winning, the corresponding team wins.

TEACHER

(to the Co-Teacher) You know what? Even though we know who won I would like to celebrate a little more with them. Let's do a drumroll and play the winning song, shall we?

Play the "Drumroll" [24] and have a child from the winning team come up and pick a relic from the "Points Of Destiny" board. [25]

CO-TEACHER

It was pretty cool how Andi always wanted to give his best to Kit, but the story he told about God was really cool. I'm sure glad God was willing to send us His very best.

TEACHER

I am too! In fact I would like to take a few moments to worship Him and say thank you to Him for doing that.

CO-TEACHER

I think that is a great idea. Let's sing a song of worship to God and tell Him how much we love Him.

Teacher and Co-Teacher lead the children in singing "Psalm 23". [26]

CO-TEACHER

Another way that we worship God and tell Him thanks for giving His very best to us is to give our Offering to Him each week. Let's go ahead and pray and then do that right now. [27]

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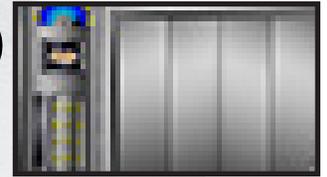
TEACHER

Okay, well it's now time for our Tribal Councils! I want you to go and learn a bit more about God's great love for us! Find your leader and we'll see you back here in a little bit. [28]

TRIBAL COUNCIL GROUPS

CO-TEACHER

Welcome back everyone! Now is the time for us to play our review game "Catch That Monkey!" [29]



WEEKLY REVIEW ACTIVITY - "Catch That Monkey"

Note: Lead the children through the questions. If they get the question correct, let someone from their team come and pick a relic for points.

CO-TEACHER

Great job with those questions everyone. We got all of our stuff back from those monkeys! It's now time for us to award our Grand Champion! **[30]**

Total up the points and award the winner with their Drumroll.

CO-TEACHER

We'll see you back next week as we continue our journey through the jungle and learn all about the life of Jesus!



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