

9 Dec 2018 (Week 3)

Big Point: Incredible Faith Sets Me Free!

God's Word: Jesus Forgives the Sinful Woman (Luke 7:36:50)

Memory Verse (7-12 y.o.): Without Faith, it is impossible to please God. Those who come to God

must believe that he exists.

(Hebrews 11:6a)

Memory Verse (4-6 y.o.): Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not

see. (Hebrews 11:1)

Life Question: What do I need to say sorry to God for?

Kids spot

INTRO

Welcome children and start by asking if they remember what they learnt on Sunday.

LESSON

After learning that faith is about trusting God and that faith defeats fear, today we are learning how faith can set us free.

Let's watch a video together. Jesus Anointed by a Sinful Woman Luke 7 Sunday School Lesson Resource: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N4tgeHXYIqc

Let's look at the characters in the story

- Simon, a Pharisee, who invited Jesus to his house.

- The sinful woman, who washed Jesus's feet with her tears and hair and anointed Jesus's feet with expensive perfume

Even though Jesus was invited by Simon to his home, Simon did not treat him as a guest.

When you have guests in your home, what do you do?

- Serve them drinks
- Be nice to them
- Treat them with respect

Let's use our magnifying glass to try to look into Simon's heart. (Pretend to hold a magnifying glass)

Simon invited Jesus to his home because he wanted to question Jesus as he did not believe that Jesus is God. When Jesus entered his home, he did not even have his servants wash his feet.

In olden times, the guests will have their feet washed by the servants as they travelled long distance and wore sandals which made their feet dirty.

How about the woman who washed Jesus feet?

- Was she invited? No
- Do you think the owner of the house respected her? No.

But how was her heart different from Simon? Let's look into her heart. (Pretend to hold a magnifying glass)

The woman knew she had done many wrong things, but she was sorry for her actions. When she came before Jesus, she was filled with repentance and started crying, and used her tears to wash Jesus's feet and dried them with her hair.

Because of her belief in Him (faith) and repentance, Jesus forgave her and set her free from her sins.

Wow, can you see the difference between these two people who were both in the same house as Jesus?

 Even though Simon the Pharisee invited Jesus into his home, he did not invite Jesus into his heart as he did not believe in Jesus. - The woman who was uninvited was the one who had faith that pleased God. And because of her belief in who Jesus is, she was filled with repentance and Jesus forgave her sins.

Suggested snack to reinforce lesson – Kitkat for the kids

Sin is like having melted chocolate on our hands. They are so messy, sticky and they create a mess. In order to wash it off thoroughly, you need to use soap and water. In the same way, when we come before Jesus, it is like asking him for his soap and water to wash us clean.

How about you? What do you need to say sorry to God for today?

- Sin is when we do what is wrong in God's eyes. It can be something that we do, think, feel, or say. Sin is when you lie to your mom or argue with your brother.
- Sin is when you yell or cry or complain to get what you want.
- Sin is when you do something when no one is looking.
- Sin makes God's heart sad and sin can hurt other people.