

Experiential Learning:

Designating time for God

Lesson on Sunday 28th February 2011

Time: 10 min at the beginning of the Yr3 & 4 lessons

Aim: an introductory activity to explain to the children the importance of allocating time to spend with God and to not allow other things in life take priority over God.

Biblical text: Mary and Martha- Luke 10:38-42

Materials required:

- ❖ Cut pieces of the puzzle
- ❖ Pencils
- ❖ Sticky tape

Background/contemplation for servant:

- ❖ What does it mean to give and spend time with God?
- ❖ How much time should we set aside for God?
- ❖ Are we allowing other priorities to take over the time reserved for God?

Description of activity (6 min):

You will have the below puzzle cut out. Each child will be given a puzzle piece.

On the blank white side the children will write something they do each day that takes a large amount of their time but not to have the same as someone else. For example: tutoring, PS3, TV, soccer etc.

The children will then put the puzzle together.

After the puzzle is put together the teacher will stick the pieces together and turn the clock over. This will reveal a picture of Jesus coloured in (see further page).

Discussion (2 min):

- Discuss with the class the importance of spending time with God (important to maintain a close relationship with him-making your bond with him everlasting)
- Everything we do should be Christ like as he should be walking with us the whole way.
- Ask the children; in what ways could you put God more into your life?

Conclusion/Life application (1 min):

When you spend time with Jesus, whether it's saying a quick prayer whilst in the car on the way to school/soccer etc. or switching off the TV/PS3 to read God's word (the bible) will help you develop a stronger bond with the Lord. Also, you will be learning about the story of Mary and Martha this lesson- highlighting the importance of setting aside time for Christ.



