Experiential Learning:The Destruction of Jericho

Sunday 7th November 2010

Time/context: 10 minute activity at the beginning of the lesson for Years 3&4

Aim: An introductory activity to emphasise the importance of obedience.

Biblical Text: Joshua 6

Materials Required:

Hats, wigs, masks, any items which may be a bit "silly."

Description of Activity

5 minutes

The servant shows "silly" items one at a time and asks for volunteers to put them on and stand in front of the class.

The servant asks children to volunteer to do a silly action such as clap their hands, wave their arms in the air, scratch their heads.....

The children are asked to walk around the class in a circle with their items on and performing their actions and then are asked to crawl under the chairs where there are hidden "rewards".

Discussion/Lesson Links/Conclusion / Life Application

5 minutes

Ask the class

* Why do you think we asked you to put on these items and do these actions?

Sometimes God asks us to do things that don't make sense to us or we can't see how they will help us.

Link to the lesson:

The story of Jericho shows us the fruits of obedience and that God wants to give us victory.

Ask the class

* What are other examples of people who were obedient to God? - (Abraham, St. Mary)

Think about this week...

* What have we been asked to do in our lives that may be of benefit, but we have refused or delayed because we think we may look stupid or we want to please others?