Experiential Learning:Wise Men Worship Jesus

Lesson on Sunday 16th January 2011

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

Aim: An introductory activity to consider how God was guiding the wise men and how He

guides us today.

Biblical Text: Matthew 2: 1-12

Matthew 2 : 2 "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

Materials Required:

One blindfold per class.

Background/Contemplation for servant

- Do we ask and seek God's guidance throughout our day in our decisions?
- Can we feel His guidance and do we thank Him?

Description of Activity (est. 3-4 minutes)

Select a location or an item in the room and choose one person to wear the blindfold. The object of the game is for one person at a time to give directions to the blindfolded person in order to lead them to the "secret" location or item.

Discussion (est. 5 minutes)

- What made it difficult to find the secret item?
- What made it easier to find the secret item?
- How did God guide the wise men to the Child Jesus?
- Do we need big signs or miracles to guide us today? How does God guide us today? (through the bible, prayer...) but we must ask and be seeking Him. As the wise men were seeking the Child and travelled far to worship Him. Matthew 2: 2 "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews?"
- If there is time you may like to mention examples such as Simon the Tanner and how God can use lay people who follow and worship Him sincerely to lead His people.

Conclusion / Life Application (est. 1 minute)

• This week we may like to practice lifting our eyes and hearts to God and asking Him to guide us during the day in whatever we are doing or saying.