

Lesson 6

New Creation

“Daniel to Belteshazzar”

Whoever is a believer in Christ is a new creation. The old way of living has disappeared. A new way of living has come into existence. 2 Corinthians 5:17 GW

The Point of the Lesson:

Each child will understand that, when they are faced with decisions in life, the right choice is to follow what God wants us to do. Following Christ will enable me to act in Christ-like ways and not be controlled by other people's ways. When others want me to do something that I know is wrong, I need to look to God and ask Him to help me to have a faithful heart towards Him.

The Power of God's Word:

God's Spirit makes us loving, happy, peaceful, patient, kind, good, faithful...
Galatians 5:22-23 CEV

The Prayer of Each Child:

Lord, please help me to be a faithful person by following You and by doing what Your Word says. I want to be more like You, Jesus, because You are the best example for me to follow. Please help me to make good choices and not follow those people who make bad choices. This week, I will be faithful to You by continuing to pray and by reading my Bible.

The Lesson in a Word:
Faithful

Prepare: (Before service)

2 Long nails

Preview: (5 minutes)

Welcome from MC:

I love having cool things hung up around my room! How many of you guys have pictures or shelves hung up in your room?

Object Lesson:

What holds up the things that are hung on our walls? That's right! (Hold up nails) These nails keep everything together and in the right place! That's the same with God! When we follow God, He helps us keep everything together and stay on the right track!

Kid Connect Question:

Would you rather use a hammer or a drill to nail something into the wall?

Play: (5 Minutes)

Change It Up!

Have the kids get out of their seats and stand together as a team (2–4 teams), either in the back of the room or on the side of the room. As the music starts, the kids have to run back into their **exact** seats. The entire team that gets into their chairs first, wins. Play 3–5 rounds of this game.

Transition for MC:

Sometimes we are out of our comfort zone and have to find our way back. When we find our place, we feel safe. God is always faithful and will help us stay on the right path! So we need to do our part and be faithful to God by following what He says in His Word!

Praise: (15 Minutes)

This is a time of corporate worship through singing and music. Plug in your own worship session here.

Process (15 Minutes)

This process includes the [ten minute teaching video](#), [practice point](#), and [memory verse](#).

Teaching Video:

Turn on DVD and play lesson here.

Lesson in a Word: Faithful

What Should I See?

A long time ago there was a very wise man that lived in the city of Jerusalem. His name was Daniel. The name Daniel means “God is my Judge”. Daniel was true to his name because He worshiped and obeyed God all of his life. One day, Jerusalem was captured by King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon. Daniel and several other men were taken away to Babylon. Daniel was given a new name, Belteshazzar, which means “Bel, protect my life” (Bel was the chief Babylonian god). The changing of Daniel’s name was the king’s attempt to try and change Daniel’s faithfulness from the one true God to Babylonian gods. However, King Nebuchadnezzar realized that Daniel was very smart and very wise. Daniel stayed faithful to his original name and continued to worship and obey the One true God. (Source: Daniel 1)

Memory Verse:

God’s Spirit makes us loving, happy, peaceful, patient, kind, good, faithful...

Galatians 5:22-23 CEV

What’s The Key?

Daniel was faithful to God and to his original name. Even though the king wanted Daniel to follow him and his ways, Daniel remained faithful to God. There may be times when some people we know want us to follow them down the wrong path. We need to remain faithful to God by following Him on the right path.

How Should I Be?

Sometimes other people want to try and lead us away from God. However, we can stay true and continue to worship and obey God, just like Daniel. This week, we can be faithful to God by praying and asking Him to help us make good choices.

What’s That To Me?

Just like Daniel, we need to learn how to be faithful in everything that God has for us. The most important thing is that we don’t lose sight of who God wants us to be. We want to be faithful to God. Therefore, we need to follow His plan for our lives.

Practice Point:

If I want to be faithful in all I do, I will follow God my whole life through!

Practice (35 Minutes)

This segment consists of **Total Recall**, **Live It**, **Memory Madness** and **G3**.

Total Recall (10 Minutes)

Turn on PowerPoint and run Total Recall here.

Question 1: What does Daniel mean? (God is my Judge)

Question 2: Who was the king of Babylon? (King Nebuchadnezzar)

Question 3: What was Daniel's name changed to? (Belteshazzar)

Question 4: What does Belteshazzar mean? (Bel, protect my life)

Question 5: Did Daniel keep his new name? (No)

Question 6: Who did Daniel worship? (The One true God)

Question 7: What is this week's Bible verse? (Galatians 5:22-23)

Question 8: What is the lesson in a word? (Faithful)

Live It (5 Minutes)

Things To Do Here:

Pass out the Student Handouts here.

Question 1: What does it mean to be faithful to God? (Stay true to His Word; follow His ways)

Question 2: Who are some people in your life that are faithful to God? (Parents, friends, pastors)

Question 3: What are some ways that you can be faithful to God? (Pray; read the Bible; go to church)

Things To Do at Home:

Question 1: Look up 'faithful' in the dictionary and write down the meaning.

Question 2: Look up Psalm 33:4 and Romans 12:12 in the Bible. What do these verses say about being faithful?

Question 3: Say this week's verse to a parent or friend. To whom did you say it?

Memory Madness (10 Minutes)

Each team participates in their group by trying to recite the week's verse with the hand motions. *God's Spirit makes us loving, happy, peaceful, patient, kind, good, faithful...*
Galatians 5:22-23 CEV

G3 (5 Minutes)

Turn on DVD and play the G3 here. G3 stands for Get It-Got It-Good. This segment is based on asking three questions to a participant on camera and the group of kids vote on whether or not the person will get it right. This segment is done on video and played for the kids.

Question 1: What city did Daniel live in? (Jerusalem)

Question 2: Who wanted to change Daniel's name? (King Nebuchadnezzar)

Question 3: King Nebuchadnezzar was king of what country? (Babylon)

Live It Testimony on Video (5 minutes)

Turn on DVD and play the Live It here. This is an interview done on location shot with one child.

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