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Lesson #4 DISPLAY: Your Faith

The purpose of this lesson plan is to:

- · Create a fun and interactive learning experience
- Provide teaching options in addition to the Leader Q Card
- Creatively revisit the Bible story featured in the teaching video
- Give kids an opportunity to further explore the application point

PROGRAM

Activity	Length of Segment	Running Time
Q Card: Discussion	15 minutes	Start-15 minutes
Picture: Bible Story	5 minutes	15-20 minutes
Play: Learning Activity	10 minutes	20-30 minutes
Plan: Group Commitment	5 minutes	30-35 minutes
Pray: Prayer Cards	5 minutes	35-45 minutes

PREP

You will need:

- One die for each group
- Game Prizes (optional)
- Story Props (optional)
- Prayer Cards (1 per kid)
- MAP Books (1 per kid)

PICTURE

(The Bible Story)

In this portion of your class time you have the opportunity to retell the Bible story presented earlier in the teaching video. The object is to paint a picture that kids will understand and remember. When telling the story, remember you are painting a picture for your viewers. Have fun and explore your creativity. Here are some ideas to make your storytelling more memorable:

- Try asking kids to play the characters: Jesus, apostles, angels
- Use Props: map/globe to show the whole earth
- Maybe look at/read different countries on the map and ask the kids about different places they have been

Jesus Talks to His Followers (Paraphrased from Acts 1:6-11)

The apostles were with Jesus. They kept asking him, "Lord, are you going to free Israel now and make a New Kingdom for us?"

Jesus answered, "The Father will decide when that will happen. But when it is the right time, you will be filled with the Holy Spirit. He will give you power to tell people everywhere about me. You will tell people in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and everywhere on the whole earth."

It was not long after He said this that He was taken up into the sky while all the apostles were watching. Jesus disappeared into a cloud. As the apostles were looking hard to see Jesus, two men in white robes were suddenly standing there with them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing here staring at the sky? Jesus has been taken away from you into heaven. And someday, just like you saw Him leave, He will return."

PLAY

(Learning Activity)

In this portion of your class time you will lead your class in a fun and exciting activity that will help your kids apply the Bible lesson to their everyday lives.

"Say it, Play it, Display it"

HOW TO START:

Divide kids into 4 teams

HOW TO PLAY:

- Say, "This game is called "Say it, Play it, Display it". This game will help us learn more about how we can share our faith everyday in many different ways."
- Begin round #1. One player from team #1 rolls the die.
- The number rolled will determine the challenge to be completed. (See challenges and their corresponding numbers below). The answers to all the challenges are "different ways to share our faith."
- After the player completes the challenge, award his/her team the amount of points equal to the number showing on the die.
- One player from each team takes one turn to complete the round.
- Repeat all steps for a few more rounds as time and interest direct.

PLAY OPTIONS:

Hand out prizes (optional)

GAME CHALLENGES:

Rolls a 1 or 2:

- Say it Player will MOUTH the word/phrase to his team and the team will guess the answer
- Things we can say: I will help you Do you want to come to church with me? Will you be my friend? You can share my lunch

Rolls a 3 or 4

- Play it Player will ACT OUT the word/phrase to his team and the team will guess the answer
- Ways to show our faith:

Talking

Playing a game

Loving

Giving

Rolls a 5 or 6

- Display it Player will DRAW the word/phrase for his team and the team will guess the answer
- Ways to tell our faith:

Jesus died on the cross

Jesus lives in my heart

Jesus loves you

Jesus is my friend

PLAN

(Group Commitment)

In this portion of your class time you have the opportunity to lead your group to make a commitment. You may select any ONE of the options provided or your group may create its' own. Encourage the kids to write their commitments on their Prayer Cards so you can be praying for them during the week.

Commitment Options:

- Make a list of 5 people you know who do not know Jesus. Pray for them everyday this week
- Display your faith this week by doing something nice for 2 different people
- Write down what you would say if someone you know asked you about how he/she could become friends with Jesus

PRAYER

In this portion of your class time, have your kids fill out the Prayer Card. Take the cards home and pray for your kids throughout the week. End your time together by praying for your group commitment.

Hand out prayer cards

- Ask Kids to fill in their commitments in the space provided
- Ask kids to fill in their prayer requests in the space provided
- Collect cards so you can take them home and pray for your kids
- Close in prayer

God, thank you for sending Jesus to die on the cross and rise again for us. We want to follow Him everyday. Help us

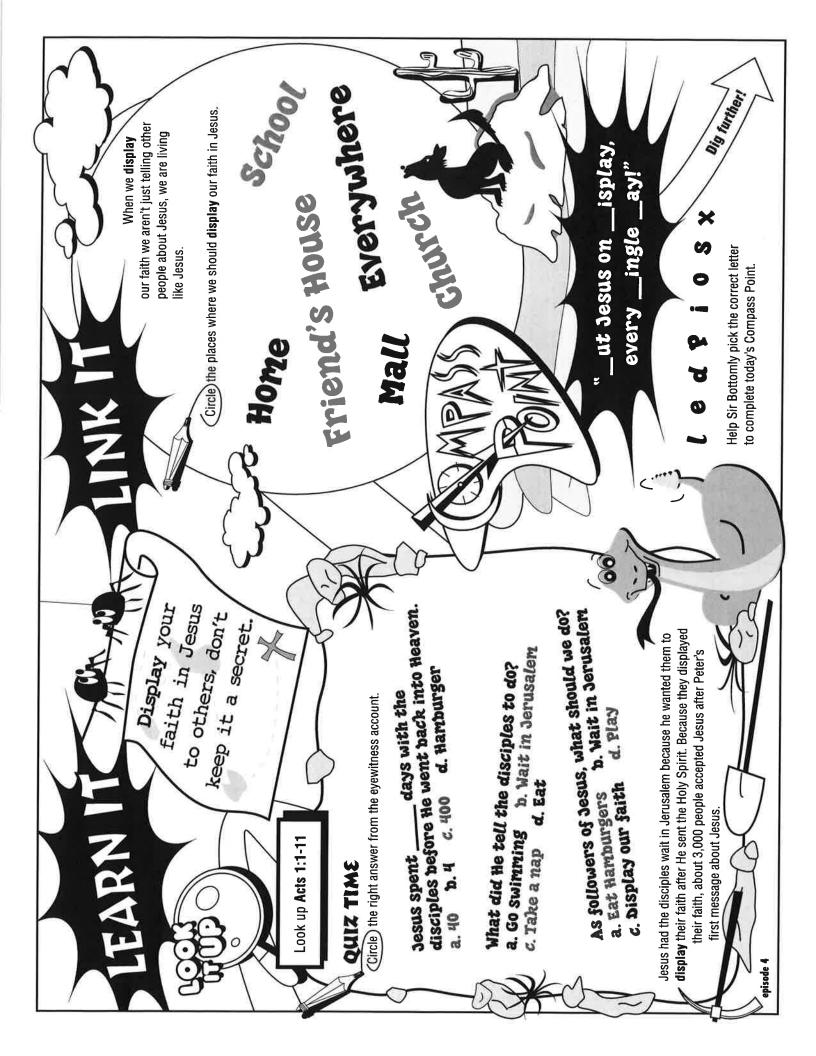
display our faith this week by what we say and what we do at home and at school. Help us to remember to complete the things we have committed to do this week. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Remember to...

- Hand out the MAP Books
- Encourage kids to complete at home with an adult and bring back next week!



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Digging up Facts from the Book of Acts Episode #4 Lesson Outline

Theme: Display your faith.

LEARN IT

Display your faith in Jesus to others don't keep it a secret.

Before Jesus went back up into Heaven He told the disciples to display their faith.

Review: Acts 1:1-11

LINK IT

When we display our faith we aren't just telling other people about Jesus, we are living like Jesus as well. The way we act should match what we say.

LIVE IT

We don't hide gifts people give us so we shouldn't hide the gift of Jesus either. Our lives should be a constant display of God's love. Make an effort to display Jesus in your life.

COMPASS POINT

" Put Jesus on display, every single day!"

MEMORY MAX

"You should think in the same way Christ Jesus does." —Philippians 2:5





DISCUSS with the group why it is important to display our faith to others.

ASK: "Do the people you hang around with or go to school with know you are a follower of Jesus?"

Why should the way we act match what we say? CE CE

Look up Philippians 2:5.

ASK: "What are some things in your life that don't match what you say (ways you aren't thinking like Jesus)?"

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How can you really think and act like Christ Jesus?

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