

Sunday School Lessons for the gospel of John.

John 1:1-2

Topic:

a) *Who is the Word?*

a) Jesus brought Lazarus to life just by speaking. How was He able to do that?
(Because His is the voice of God)

Topic:

b) *Jesus is God*

b) Voice at the burning bush...."I AM" / "Before Abraham was...I AM.

b) John 14: 8-9....Phillip wants to see God the Father. "if you have seen me you have seen the Father."

Topic:

c) *The Trinity*

c) The Trinity is a mystery we cannot understand but it's what the Bible says.

c) If you drop three drops of water one on top of the other...How many drops do you end up with?

c) There is only one God.

John 1:3

Topic:

a) *Jesus made all things*

a) "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

a) Once there was a girl who was wondering what God is like. She went out to the field in back of her house and laid down in the grass. She looked at the sky so blue with puffy clouds floating by. She could hear the wind moving the leaves on the trees. She held out her hand and a little butterfly landed on it. She could see how beautiful it was and how delicate. Far away she could hear a lion roar. Even though it was far away she shuddered to think how powerful it was. She looked in the grass and saw an entire world of little bugs scurrying about. Soon it was dark. The stars started to come out. She looked up in the sky and thought about how each one of those stars are a sun. So far away that no one will ever see them up close. She thought about how great the one is who made all these things. Her mom came out looking for her.

"What are you doing out here in the dark?"

"Oh just thinking about what God is like"

"So what is He like?"

"Awesome!!"

Topic:

b) *You were created by God... Why?*

b) Sometimes when they make statues they use molds. A mold is a hollowed out shape. They fill the mold with a liquid that will harden when it cools. Then they use the mold over and over again to make

a lot of statues. But if they want to make one special statue...they break the mold so that no one will ever be able to make another one like it again. When God made you, He broke the mold. Out of all the people on earth there is only one of you. You are that special to God.

- b) It had just rained. Tim was walking along looking at the wet ground when he saw a puddle. The puddle was filled with muddy dirty water. In the puddle was a worm. The worm was trying it's best to get out but it couldn't because the water was too deep. Tim reached his hand in that dirty muddy water and picked the worm up. He walked over and put the worm on a piece of dry ground in the grass. The worm was very happy.
- Why did Tim save the worm from the puddle? (He wanted him to live.)
 - Why did God make you? (He wants you to live.)
- b) Story of Sodom and Gomorrah...they were very evil. They were hurting themselves and others. Their evil was spreading. God destroyed them.
- Why would God destroy them? (To keep life going)
- God will do anything so that you can live. Even go to the cross.

John1: 4-5

Topic:

a) *He is the only source of life.*

- a) Cindy is going to the park because she wants some ice cream. She walks right past the ice cream stand, goes to the hot dog stand and asks for ice cream. Then she goes to the stand where they sell cotton candy and asks for ice cream. Then she goes to the soft drink stand and asks for ice cream. Then she goes to the stand where they sell balloons and asks for ice cream. Then she stands in the middle of the park and screams, "Why don't I have any ice cream?!!"
- Why doesn't she?
- If you want life there is only one place to go....to Jesus.
- a) There's a group of people walking through a very hot desert. They come upon the only well in the whole desert. It's full of clean cold water. They stick their heads in and start drinking the water. One person says, "No, I don't want to drink that water."
- What will happen to him?.....Why?
 - There is only one who is able to give life. Will you come to Him?

Topic:

Some don't like the light

- b) Once there were some people living in a dark cave. Their favorite thing to do was to sneak up and hit each other very hard in the head. This was very painful and a lot of people were getting hurt. The reason they could do this was because the cave had no light and it was easy to sneak up on people in the dark. One day someone came into the cave with a flashlight. The people had never seen light before. This person told them that he would lead them out of the cave and once out they would see how beautiful the world is. Some followed him out of the cave but some chose to stay in the darkness.
- Why would anyone choose to stay in the dark cave? (Because they like hitting and hurting each other)
 - Why wouldn't people come to Jesus the light of the world? (Because they liked their sin.)

John1: 6-9

Topic:

a) *Do we point to the light?*

- a) Acts 3: 1-12....Peter and John point to Jesus and not to themselves.
- a) Acts 16: 25-33..."What must I do to be saved?" Paul points them to Jesus.
- a) Cindy and her little brother were visiting their grandfather. Grandpa sat in his chair watching Cindy and her brother play together with the box of toys he kept in the closet. Grandpa noticed something. He saw how Cindy played with her little brother. When her brother started acting like a brat and being selfish, he noticed that Cindy didn't yell at him or grab things away from him. He saw that Cindy was kind to her brother even when her brother wasn't being nice to her. He saw how patient she was with him. She would talk with him and answer his questions. He saw that Cindy took really good care of her little brother. Grandpa picked Cindy up and put her on his lap. "Cindy" he said, "Who makes you such a good kid?" Cindy leaned over and whispered in grandpa's ear..."Jesus."
 - Was Cindy pointing to the light?

Topic:

There is only one light.

- b) One night Susan walked into her house. It was very dark in the house and she wanted to be able to see where she was going. She turned the radio on. She turned the toaster on. She turned the computer on. She turned her Ipod on. Then she stood in the middle of the room and yelled, "Why isn't there any light in this house?!"
 - Why isn't there light? (She turned on everything but)
 - Jesus is the only light of the world.
- b) Once there were some kids who were lost in a dark forest. They were found by a search party. One by one the people in the search party told the kids to follow them. Then one of the search party who had a flashlight told the kids to follow him.
 - Which one would you follow?
 - Jesus is the light of the world
 - Who are you going to listen to?....obey?

John1: 10-11

Topic:

a) *God came to earth and the people He made didn't want Him.*

- a) Luke2: 7 And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.
- a) Once there was a boy who built a toy car. He made all the pieces, glued them together and painted it. The car couldn't go by itself so the boy pushed the car all over the living room. It was fun. Then one day the toy car looked at the boy and said, "I don't want you to push me anymore. I'll do it by myself." The boy said, "OK." The toy car sat there and sat there and sat there until it turned to rust.

- We need our creator
- We need Jesus.

John1: 12-13

Topic:

a) *Do you want to be Gods child?*

- a) Once there was a boy who ran home from school. The reason he ran home was because the day before was his birthday and his mom and dad had bought him a brand new video game he wanted and he hadn't had a chance to play it yet. He ran home, jumped on the couch, fired up the video game and played it till supper time.
- Why did he do this? (because he wanted to)
 - Why did he want to? (because he knew it was going to be fun)
- a) It was a really hot day. It was so hot that all the kids didn't even want to play. They just lay in the front lawn with their tongues hanging out. The phone inside rang and mom answered it. It was the kid's uncle. He wanted to know if anyone wanted to go to the new water park. Do you think anyone would want to go? When their uncle pulled up, all the kids piled into the car real fast.
- Why did they go with their uncle to the water park? (they wanted to)
 - Why did they want to? (they knew it would be fun)
- a) Once there was a girl named Jenny. Jenny needed some money. There was something that she really wanted. So Jenny got a job cleaning an elderly ladies house. Every day after school Jenny would go over to the ladies house and start cleaning. It was hard work but Jenny did a good job. The lady was very happy with the work that Jenny did. The lady paid Jenny for her work, Jenny said thank you and ran off. That night her mom took her to the store and Jenny bought that thing she had been working for...a brand new skateboard. As soon as she got home, Jenny jumped on her skateboard and took off down the sidewalk.
- Why did she do all that work and buy a skateboard? (she wanted to)
 - Why did she want to? (she knew it would be fun)
- a) Luke5: 1-11...Peter leaves all and follows Jesus
- Why would he do that? (he wanted to)
 - Why would he want to? (he knew that there was nothing better than being with Jesus.)
 - God calls you to be His child. Do you want to be?...Why?
 - How do I get to be God's child? (believe in His Name)...Who's name?

Topic:

b) *What does it mean to believe in His Name?*

- b) Once there was a boy named Billy who went for a walk. It was nice day and Billy walked a long time. Suddenly he realized that he didn't know where he was. He was lost! He found a phone and called his dad at work. His dad told him to stay where he was and he would have one of his workers come and get him. His dad told him that the workers name was Pete. Some people stopped to see if Billy needed help because he looked like he was lost but he told them no and stood there and waited for Pete. Finally a truck pulled up, the door opened and the guy said, "My name is Pete, your dad said I

was supposed to pick you up.” Billy jumped in the truck and Pete took him back home where he was safe.

- Why would Billy only go with Pete?
 - How did he know that the guys name was Pete?
- b) Genesis 3: 13-15....
- People got lost because they disobeyed God
 - God promised to send a Savior
 - Who is this Savior?
 - How do we know?
 - If you believe on His name, you are a child of God.

John 1: 14-18

Topic:

a) *If you met Jesus would you like Him?*

- a) Matthew 19: 13-15...Jesus and the little children
- a) Matthew 9: 9...Matthew leaves all his money and job and follows Jesus.
- Why would he do that?
- a) Multitudes followed Jesus. Why...? Miracles...? Who He is...? What He is like?

Topic:

b) *Moses gave us rules*

- b) The Lord gave Moses the Ten Commandments on Mt. Sini
- b) There was a rule in the school cafeteria...”No throwing forks.” One day a boy named Bradley decided to break that rule. He picked up his fork and threw it through the air. That night a boy named Sidney went home with a fork in his forehead. When Sidney’s mother saw it she called the school, she called the police and she called Bradley’s parents. Do you think Bradley got into trouble for breaking that rule?
- Was “No throwing forks” a good rule?...Why?
 - Can you name some of Gods rules?
 - Are these good rules?...Why?
- b) Once there was a bunch of people who lived near a big pond. This pond was filled with sharks. The people called the sharks, “sharks.” The sharks called the people, “lunch.” Travis’s dad had a rule...”No swimming in the shark pond.” One day Travis walked out of the house with his bathing suit on. He told his dad he was going for a swim in the pond. “Oh no you’re not!” said dad, “We have a rule!” Travis argued with his dad that it was really hot out and the sharks wouldn’t bother him and that he could swim aster than them anyway and he really, really wanted to go swimming because it was so hot and there was no other place to swim. But dad wouldn’t budge. Travis sat down on the back porch and grumbled, “He always spoils my fun!”
- Was dad’s rule a good rule? Why did he make it?
 - This is why God gives us rules...to keep us safe because He loves us.
 - What would have happened to Travis if he had broken the rule?

- Whose fault would it have been?

Topic:

c) *Jesus gave us grace and truth.*

- c) John 8: 1-12....Jesus saves an adulterous woman.
- She broke Gods rules and walked away smiling after she met Jesus....why?
 - Do you think that breaking Gods rules brought any sadness into her life?
 - Do you think she'll go back to doing all those bad things?....Why not?
- c) Out in the woods in back of Susan's house there was a pit. This pit was filled with slimy, sticky, yucky mud. If you fell into it you would be sucked right under. Susan's mom had a rule..."Do not go near the mud pit." One day Susan was out in the woods playing when she saw the mud pit. It won't hurt just to go over and look at it, she thought. So she went over, stood real close to the pit and looked at it. It won't hurt just to touch the mud, she thought. So she bent over and touched the mud. Then something terrible happened. Susan lost her balance and fell right into the mud pit. She was going down deeper and deeper. Mud was filling her mouth as she tried to cry out for help. Fortunately there was a man who was hiking in the woods. He saw her struggling in the mud pit and risking his own life, waded in to save her. He carried her home where she was given a bath and clean clothes to put on.
- Do you think she will go near the mud pit again?....Why not?
 - We have broken Gods rules
 - Jesus saved us.....How?
- c) What was the truth about the woman Jesus saved? (She was a sinner who was very sad.)
- What was the truth about Jesus? (He loved her and wanted her to live.)
 - Which truth was stronger?

John 1: 19-28

Topic:

a) *John was not the light*

- a) If you go out and look at a full moon it is all lit up. How does the moon light up? Can it light up by itself?
- Jesus is the light that lights us up. His love should shine in us.
- a) Acts 4: 13... They realized that they had been with Jesus.
- Do people see Jesus shining in us?
- a) Boy gets toy that glows in the dark. He holds it in front of a light then turns the light off and his toy glows. Then he found something out. The longer he held the toy in front of the light the brighter and longer it glowed.
- The more time we spend with Jesus in His word and prayer the brighter and longer we glow with His light.
- a) Once there was a bus driver parked outside a school waiting for the kids to come out. The bell rang and all the kids ran out of the school to their busses. There was a little Kindergarten girl walking to her bus when some kids bumped into her. She fell on the ground and all her papers came out of her back pack. The bus driver couldn't leave his bus. He felt sad when he saw all the kids running past the crying little girl on the sidewalk. Then he saw one boy stop. This boy helped the little girl up,

picked up her papers for her and walked her to her bus. When the boy got on the bus the bus driver noticed that he was carrying a bible. He asked the boy if he was aq Christian.

- Who was the light that the bus driver saw?
- How did this boy get 'lit up?'

John 1: 29-31

Topic:

a) *Jesus is the Passover lamb*

- a) Exodus 12: 21-23... When they were behind the door that had the blood on it...death couldn't touch them.
- The death of that lamb kept them from death.
 - The death of Jesus saves us from death.
- a) What is death?
- Amy's grandmother was very sick. She was in the hospital. One night Amy's mom came into her room and told her some sad news. She told her that her grandma had died. That she was now in heaven with Jesus. After her mom left, Amy lie in bed thinking about her grandma. She became sad because she loved her grandma very much and would miss her. A few days later there was a funeral for Amy's grandma. All of Amy's family were there. When Amy walked in, things looked very strange. Everyone had a sad look on their face. There were people crying. Amy walked up to her mom and asked her, "Mom, is grandma alive in heaven?" Her mom said, "Yes." Amy asked, "Is she having the best time of her life in heaven with Jesus?" Her mom said, "Yes." "Then why is everyone sad?"
 - We get sad because people go to heaven and we miss them.
 - But we'll see them again.
 - People who believe in Jesus never die.
 - When our sins were put on Jesus, He died then He came back to life.
 - Those who believe on His name will never die
- a) Once there was a man who had an old car. It wasn't always old and there was a time when it ran fine but now it was breaking down all the time. Every other week the man would have to take the car into the garage and have them fix it. This last time the car just died right on the road. The man tried and tried to get it started but nothing could bring it to life. He pushed the car up the road to a car dealership. The car salesman came out and said, "I tell you what... I'll trade you your old car that doesn't work anymore for a brand new car...that flies!!" Would you do it?
- This is what happens to Christians. It's like we're inside our bodies. Our bodies get old and worn out and then they die. Then we go to heaven and God gives us a brand new body to fly around in

Topic:

b) *What is sin?*

b) Sin is when we disobey God

b) Once there was a king whose kingdom was on a mountain top. His subjects lived at the bottom of the mountain where it was cold, dark and rainy. The king wanted all his subjects to move up to the top of the mountain because that was the best place to live. You could see forever on top and it was warm and beautiful. Some of his subjects moved up the mountain a little bit. Some stayed at the bottom of the mountain and some moved to the top. Those who moved to the top were so happy they did because it was really beautiful on top. Those who stayed down below remained in the dark and cold.

- God wants you to go to the top of the mountain.
- When we sin and disobey him it's like we're moving down lower.
- But He holds out His hand for all those who want to come back up.

Topic:

c) *Why is sin bad?*

c) Jacob woke up to a happy morning. The sun was shining outside his window. It was Saturday. He could hear his little sister singing in her room. He could hear his mom and dad laughing down in the kitchen and the smell of bacon and eggs made its way upstairs. This was going to be a fun day. Jacob jumped out of bed. He looked into his little sister's room as he passed. She was busy drawing a picture. The problem was that she was using his new markers. Jacob didn't like that. He ran into her room, grabbed the markers out of her hand, yelled at her and threw her picture across the room. His sister started crying and ran down the stairs. Jacob was behind her. Still mad, he pushed her as she was going down the stairs. His sister fell down the stairs. She lie at the bottom crying. Jacobs dad rushed in and wanted to know what happened. Jacob said, "I didn't do anything!" His sister told dad everything that Jacob had done and Jacob was sent back to his room and told not to come down until he was told to. Jacob sat in his room. He was angry at first. Then he became sad. No one in the house was laughing anymore. All the fun was gone.

- What sins did Jacob do?
 - Isn't sin fun?
 - Is there any way to get the happiness back in Jacob's house?
- c) Once there was an evil mad scientist. This mad scientist made an evil machine. If you pointed this machine at someone, it would suck the life out of them. This machine was doubly dangerous not only because it could suck the life out of you but the machine didn't look dangerous. In fact it looked really nice and when it was taking your life, it didn't feel bad it felt good.
- Was this machine good? (But it looked good and it even felt good!)
 - This is what sin is like ...it looks good (sometimes) It feels good (sometimes) but it sucks the life out of us.
 - God wants us to fly. Satan wants us to jump off a cliff. The dangerous thing is that he can make jumping off the cliff look and feel like flying.
 - This is why we need to stay close to Jesus. (How?)

Topic:

d) *Your sins are gone.*

d) Once there was a boy who believed in Jesus. This boy went to heaven. He was just about to walk in when Satan jumped in front of him. “God” he yelled, “This boy cannot go into heaven! He had done many sins! I have a list of all his sins right here!” Satan took out his list of the boys sins. It was a really, really, really, really long list. The boy looked at the list and knew he was guilty of every one of those sins. He was really, really sad when he thought he couldn’t get into heaven. Just then Jesus put His arm around the boy and stood between him and Satan. Jesus looked at the boy, smiled and said, “This boy has never done anything wrong.”

- How can Jesus say that?!
- This is what “justified” means. This is how clean Jesus made us when all our sins were put on Him at the cross.
- Jesus means “God saves.”

John 1: 32-34

Topic:

a) *Who is the Holy Spirit?*

- a) If you drop three drops of water on top of each other...
- How many drops did you drop?
 - How many drops are there now?
 - God is three in one...The Father, Son and Holy Spirit
 - The Holy Spirit is God.
- a) Acts 2: 1-4....Pentecost.

Topic:

b) *What does the Holy Spirit do?*

b) Once there was an ice cube who wanted to be a puddle of water. He wanted this more than anything in the whole world. He tried and tried to unfreeze himself so he could become a puddle but he couldn’t do it. Finally he gave up and thought that he would never realize his dream and have to remain an ice cube all his life. The sun heard that the ice cube wanted to be a puddle so he very gently started to warm things up. It got warmer and warmer. Slowly the ice cube started to melt, until finally he realized...”Hey, I’m a puddle!!!” He was so happy.

Those who want to be like Jesus...the Holy Spirit gently changes them.

b) Once there was a bully named Ron. Whenever the kids were playing and they saw Ron coming they knew there would be trouble. Ron was always picking on kids who were smaller than he. He would cause trouble wherever he was. One day someone invited Ron to church. At church Ron heard about Jesus. He heard how much Jesus loved him and that day Ron decided he wanted to be with Jesus. Ron became a Christian. The next day the kids were playing, they looked up and saw Ron coming down the street. “Oh no, here comes Ron!” they cried. But this time something was different. Ron didn’t push anyone around, he didn’t cause trouble. He was nice! He played with the kids and helped the kids who were smaller than he. Every day Ron seemed to change more and more. He got nicer and nicer. He became more and more like Jesus.

- Who was changing Ron? (the Holy Spirit)

b) Once there was a toy monkey. This toy monkey loved to jump around and do summersaults to make the children laugh. The kids would come into the room and the toy monkey would try to jump around but

it couldn't. It tried and tried but all it could do was just sit there. The other toys knew what the monkey needed. They knew that the toy monkey needed power to do what he wanted to do. So all the toys got together and bought some batteries for the toy monkey. They put them in him and turned on the switch. Now the monkey was empowered! He started jumping all over the place and turning summersaults. The children saw him and it made them very happy. The toy monkey was so happy that he now had the power to do what he wanted to.

We cannot obey God or see God do wonderful things without the power of the Holy Spirit.

- Pray for it.

b) Mark 14: 66-72 / Acts 2: 12-41....What made the difference in Peter?

Topic:

c) *Like a dove.*

c) One day the wind and the sun had a contest. There was a man who walked to work every morning wearing a big winter coat and hat. The sun and the wind wanted to see which one of them could make the man take off his coat and hat. The wind was first. The man came out of this house and the wind started to blow hard. The man tightened his grip around his coat and held onto his hat. The wind blew harder and harder. The man held onto his coat tighter and tighter. No matter how hard the wind blew he could not get the man to take off his coat and hat. Now it was the sun's turn. The sun came out and very slowly and very gently made it a bit warmer. The man took off his hat. The sun continued to shine, very gently making things warmer and warmer. Pretty soon the man had both his hat and coat off.

- How did the sun get the man to take off his coat?
- God is gentle. He doesn't crush, He lifts up
- Look at what He made...the gentle butterfly and also the powerful lion.

He is all powerful, yet He carries us like children.

c) Exodus 20: 18-24 / Matthew 19: 13-15...

- Which is the real God?
- How does God treat you?...Why?

John 1: 35-39

Topic:

a) *What are you seeking?*

a) There are two lines...one where you can fly and one where you can crawl. Which one would you choose?

a) There are two lines...one for ice cream and one for haggis (which is a Scottish dish that consists of sheep guts and brains) Which would you choose?

a) It's a hot day. One line is for a huge swimming pool and one for digging a hole. Which would you choose?

a) There are two choices...eternal life or death. Which do you choose? What are you looking for?

- To whom do you have to go to get it?

Topic:

b) *You will get what you want.*

b) Sam was five years old. The one thing he liked better than anything else was motorcycles. He would read about motorcycles. He had posters on his wall of motorcycles and he loved to talk about motorcycles. Whenever a motorcycle sped by he would even know what kind it was. Sam's birthday was coming up. The only thing he wanted for his birthday was a motorcycle. Every night he prayed and prayed that God would let him have a motorcycle. He was sure he was going to get one, after all he prayed for it. Finally his birthday came. He ran downstairs. His dad told him that his present was in the garage. Sam was sure a motorcycle was waiting for him. He ran into the garage. In the garage was a large box. Sam ripped it open. Inside was aa....a....bike. Sam was disappointed. He didn't want a bike. He wanted a motorcycle! Why didn't God answer his prayer and give him what he wanted?! Eventually Sam took the bike outside and started riding it around. Soon he was speeding up and down the street doing wheelies, having a great time. That night he thanked God for his new bike.

- Why doesn't God let us have everything we want?

b) Once there was a parade. The man who was leading the parade was marching down the street with everyone in the parade behind him. The man who was in charge of the parade was in a helicopter flying high above watching the whole thing and directing the parade. The man in the helicopter looked down the street and around the corner and saw a parade eating monster walking up the street. He radioed down to the man leading the parade and told him to turn back. The man radioed back and said, "No we're not turning back. We've been practicing for this parade for months and you're not going to spoil our fun!"

- Was the man in the helicopter trying to ruin their fun?
- How did he know that he it was best to turn back?

God is above all things. He sees tomorrow. He knows what is best.

b) There are two forever places...heaven and hell.

- If you want to go to hell, here's what you have to do....
- If you want to go to heaven, here's what you have to do....
- God will give you what you want.

John 1: 40-51

Topic:

a) *How do people hear about Jesus? (They're told)*

a) Once there was a mouse living in a hole. It was dark and cold in the hole and the mouse had never been out of it. One day a raccoon came by, looked into the hole and saw the mouse sitting down there in the dark. The raccoon told the mouse to come out of the hole because there was a big beautiful world out there with lots of sunshine. The mouse believed what the raccoon said and slowly crept out of this hole. When he stepped out into the sunshine he couldn't believe his eyes. It was so beautiful. He had never seen sunshine before. The mouse was sure glad that the raccoon had told him about this and was really, really glad that he was out of the hole and in the light.

- We tell people about Jesus so they can believe...and live!

a) Acts 8: 26-40

- We can hear the truth with our ears and believe. Believe the truth in our hearts and live. Live in the truth forever.

Topic:

b) *Vs. 50-51....Things get better and better with Jesus.*

b) Susan was born. Pretty soon she learned how to crawl and was crawling all over the place. Then she learned how to walk and things got even better. Soon she learned how to run and things got even more fun. Then she learned to ride a tricycle. This was really fun. Then she got a two wheel bike with training wheels. She really felt like a big girl. Soon she took the training wheels off and was able to ride the two wheeler. She could ride really fast. Some time after that she learned how to drive a car. Now things were really cool. She could go wherever she wanted to no matter how far away it was. Then she learned to ride a motorcycle. This was the most fun she ever had. Except for when she got a pilots license to fly a plane. Now she was flying in the clouds.

- Her life got more and more exciting.
 - When we follow Jesus (obey) our lives really become more and more exciting until finally we get to go to the party (heaven)
- b) Peter left his fishing business (which must have been a fun job) to follow Jesus
- He never went back...Why? (Because there's nothing better than being with Jesus.)

John 2: 1-11

Topic:

a) *Whatever He says to you, do it...Good advice!*

a) Genesis 31: 14-17

a) God told Noah to build an arc. Should he do it?...Why?

a) A boy goes up in a spaceship with the man who made it. As they're sailing through space a warning light comes on saying that the spaceship is going to explode in five minutes. There are two buttons, a red one and a green one. To save the ship one of these buttons must be pressed. The man who made the ship tells the boy to press the red one. Which one should he press and why?

- Why should he listen to the man who made the ship?
- If God tells us to do something should we do it?...Why?

Topic:

b) *When we obey...good things happen / When we disobey, bad things happen.*

b) Exodus 16: 14-20...Those who obeyed got breakfast. Those who disobeyed got worms.

b) Why does God want us to obey Him?

One day a father and son were walking through the jungle. The son stopped to look at something. When his father looked back at him he saw a huge poisonous snake slowly coming out of a tree directly over his son. The son didn't see it. The dad told his son to stand still. He said, "Son, don't move and when I tell you, I want you to run as fast as you can. Don't ask any questions just do as I say." He then yelled, "Run!!!" The boy ran and was safe.

- Why did the father want his son to obey? (to keep him from harm)
 - God wants us to obey for the same reason.
- b) It was a hot summer day. Julie's family was going to the water park, so was Evans. On the way Julie and her brothers and sisters were obedient to their parents and they took care of each other. All along the way they got to stop and see a lot of fun places. They stopped to eat at a restaurant and could have anything they wanted. Then they got to the water park and had a great day. Evans story was different. All the way to the water park Evan and his brothers and sisters were disobedient and all they did was fight with each other. Finally Evans father turned around and said, "That's it, I've had it! We're not going to the water park! And they turned around and went home in a sad car.