Lesson 6: The Word Became Flesh / The Word of God is God John 1:1-18

Youtube Link: https://youtu.be/7UjC48\_z8Mo

Children's Bible Story Video: <u>https://youtu.be/vuC330xDLMw</u>

Worship Theme: God lives with us always.

**Memory Verse:** "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1)

Songs (Youtube links):

- 1. If the Lord is with Us https://youtu.be/2CzIW4\_ueg0
- 2. Jesus is the Lord https://youtu.be/I-PzUIJ0MVo
- 3. I Trust You Lord https://youtu.be/WCZlwIstAzc

#### Pray

Song: Select songs from the list above

## Icebreaker: What Do You See? (God is always with us)

Materials needed: One big cup of water with lemon juice inside (make it sour). Small cups for children to taste.



1. Show the cup of water (with lemon juice inside) and ask them what they see. The children will answer "Water." (Don't let the children know that there is lemon juice inside the water.)

2. Then ask for some volunteers to come up and taste the water.

3. Ask the children what they tasted in water. They will answer "lemon."

4. Explain to the students that even if they could not see the

lemon inside the water, it's still there. In the same way, even if we cannot see God in front of us, God is always there.

#### Introduction:

Who lives in your house? (let the children answer) How do you feel when they live with you? (let the children answer). Today, we want to show you that if you don't have parents or relatives staying with you, there is a person who is with you always. Can you guess who this is? Who is he? Let's learn about him through the story in the Bible.

## **Bible Story:**

We're learning today about God living with us. If you read John 1:1, it says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Who is the "Word" that was in the beginning? The bible says that the "Word" was with God and that the "Word" was God!

In John 1:14, it says, "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us." This means that the "Word" is Jesus. Jesus was born as a human like us though he is God. Jesus is God, and instead of living in heaven, he came to live with us! He did this in order to save us and remind us that he is always with us.

God wants us to know without any doubt that he lives with us. When we trust God to be with us, things have a way of turning out fine in the end, even when they look pretty bad, because we have God's strength. Even when we can't see God, we can feel that God is with us through God's response when we pray. Sometimes we can feel God's love and presence, but other times we can't. We may feel like we're all alone when we have fear, discouragements, or when our parents and friends leave us. Our teachers may not care about us and we may feel like there is no one to help us. It's during those

times that we have to have faith that he is there, because God promised he will always be with us.

Think about the times that God took care of you even when you couldn't see him. He is always with us and he will always take care of us!

# Questions to discuss:

- 1. What did John 1:1 say the Word was? (God)
- 2. What did John 1:14 say happened to the Word? (It became flesh and lived among us)
- 3. When do you feel like God is with you? (let the children answer)
- 4. What should you do when you feel all alone with no one to help you? (Sing, read the Bible and pray to God; remember that God promised to always be with us)

# Game: Light On & Light Off



# Jesus said that he is the light of the world. Explain to the children that when the light is on, they can dance because it is a sign that Jesus is with them. But when the light is off, they need to stop their movement and stop. If they move, then they're out of the game.



If your church does not have lights, then you can play the same game by having the children dance when their eyes are open and stop when their eyes are closed.

## **Memory Verse:**

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1)

# Craft: Coloring Page with Memory Verse

Song: Select songs from the list above

## Pray

**Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.)** Children will readily accept the idea that God lives with us. But because it's an abstract concept, explaining to young children how God lives with us can be difficult. As a teacher, you should come ready to tell kids some examples from your own life of how you've experienced God living with you. Look for ways to share your stories at different times throughout the session, and watch for opportunities for the kids to share their experiences. Thank you for creating a warm environment to encourage children to share their stories. This will bless the faith of the children you lead.

