



KIDTOWN GUIDE

Preschool

DATE: 2/14/21

SCRIPTURE: Colossians 2-3

LESSON: New Life in Jesus

INTRO



Say - Today we will talk about how Paul traveled around telling people about Jesus and how to live like Him. We can read in our Bibles some of the letters Paul wrote to the churches he was visiting! Let's hear about one today!

Going on a trip - Have children sit in a circle. Ask them to think of some things they would pack if they were going on a trip. Go around the room and have each child say what they would bring on their trip.

Say - I wonder what Paul packed when he traveled to many places to tell people about Jesus. Maybe he took paper and something to write with so he could write his letters to the churches. Paul wrote the church in Colossae to tell them God helps us live like Jesus. When we trust in Jesus, God changes us to be like Him. Jesus wants us to turn away from our old way of living and live in a way that honors Him.

LESSON - NEW LIFE IN JESUS



Watch the Gospel Project Bible video: New Life In Jesus

Story Point #1: (Kids repeat!)

If Jesus is your Lord - live for Him! (Kids Repeat)

Paul traveled around telling churches how to live like Jesus did. How do we do that? I bet you can think of some things we've ta;led about over the last few weeks! He told them some things not to do. He told them not to hurt other people or tell lies. In order to be like Jesus we need to be patient and gentle with our actions and words! That can be hard, but Jesus can help us! It can be hard to forgive other people when they hurt us, but Paul reminds us that God has forgiven us. Paul even gives us a special instruction just for kids! Can you think of what it could be? Yes! Children, obey your parents! If we want to live like Jesus, we can obey our parents because it pleases God. Everything we do, we do for Jesus!

Christ Connection! (Kids repeat!)

When we trust in Jesus, He changes us to be like Him!! (Kids repeat!)

Sometimes it may be hard to live like Jesus. Jesus knew that would be the case, and sent the Holy Spirit to be our Helper. Jesus never asks us to do anything He wouldn't do! When we put our trust in Jesus and love Him with our whole heart, He changes us. We can't do it on our own - He can change us from the inside out!







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Sing: First Place in Everything (Key Passage Song)

James 1:5

Pray: Jesus, thank you that you died to set us free. Thank you for how much you

love us and help us to love others that way. Help us to be more like You.

Amen.

Discuss:

- What did Paul tell the people in his letter? How to live like Jesus

- Who helps us live like Jesus? *The Holy Spirit!*

- What are some ways we can live like Jesus? Examples: Forgive people, obey our parents, do not lie, be gentle and patient

- Allow time for questions and if you don't know the answers, that's okay. Affirm their question and let them know that you don't know but will try to find out.
- If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com



BONUS ACTIVITIES

Coloring Sheet - <u>Printable Coloring Sheet</u>

Hit the Target - Set a bucket or large bowl out in the middle of the floor. In the first round. blindfold one child and have them try to toss their ball into the bucket. In the next round, allow the kids to aim by looking at the target while they toss the ball. (Play as many times as necessary). Note which kids were able to get closer to the bucket in the second round.

Say - If you don't focus on the target, it is nearly impossible to hit the target. That seems simple enough, right? In our lives, we often forget to focus on Jesus, and then wonder why it is difficult to live our lives for Him! Paul reminded us in our story today to set our focus on Jesus!