

Children's Worship Lesson – June 07, 2020

Focus Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20

Purpose: To explore ways we come to know more about God.

Summer Sessions: June 7 to August 31



June/July/August Theme: "Seekers After Jesus"

The "Seekers After Jesus" theme emphasizes a clue or clues each week about being followers of Jesus. The lessons celebrate the joy and challenge of lives spent exploring the mystery of God's love for us, and God's call to love others. The logo is a magnifying glass focused on Jesus. The glass brings Jesus up close to reveal the words, "come follow me." We must search for clues about how to be followers of Jesus. We spend our lives exploring the mystery of how to live in God's way.

Preparation

Worship Table – white cloth

Magnifying glass

Pictures needed will be copied at end of the lesson.

Unit 6 logo

Lighting the Christ Candle: "We light this candle to remind us that God is always with us."

Song: Learn More about God (Tune of Mary Had a Little Lamb)

We are learning more about God
More about God, more about God
We are learning more about God
More about God today

Learning that God told disciples to baptize
Teach people about him, he'll always be with us
We are learning more about God
More about God today.

Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you for giving us so many different ways to know you.

We give our offering to say thank you for all your love to us.

Show us how to help and care for each other.

Amen.

Introducing the Theme - Where to Find God

Child(ren) will go around the house and find one thing to show where you can find God. (i.e, a pencil) Then bring it back and tell everyone why they can find God in their object and what it could be used for.

Exploring the Theme – Bible Story



One of the easiest ways for us to know what God is like is to know more about Jesus. Jesus came to show us God's love. It was such a big job that Jesus needed helpers, so he chose disciples to help him. (Hold up the picture "Jesus Calls the Fishers.") Which one is Jesus? Can you remember any of the disciples' names? This is Peter, Andrew, James and John. There were women disciples who helped Jesus too. (Hold up the picture of "The Women Disciples.") This is Mary

Magdalene, Joanna and Susanna.

There are even more disciples that Jesus has. (Hold up the magnifying glass and look at the child(ren), saying I can see a disciple or many disciples right here in front of me.) We're all Jesus' helpers too. After Jesus rose from the dead at Easter, he came to the disciples to say good-bye and he gave them a big job to do.

The Bible Scripture says this: The eleven disciples went to Galilee to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him they worshipped him, but some did not believe. Then Jesus came to them and said ***"All force in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Today, go and make disciples in every nation, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have taught you. And surely I will be with you forever."***

Jesus wanted the disciples to tell people everywhere about Jesus and help them to become Jesus' special friends, too. I guess those disciples must have done their job well, because today people all over the world know about Jesus and are Jesus' special friends, just like us.

Song - Like a Rock

Like a rock, like a rock God is under our feet
Like the starry night sky God is over our heads
Like the sun on the horizon, God is ever before
Like a river runs to ocean, our home is in God evermore.

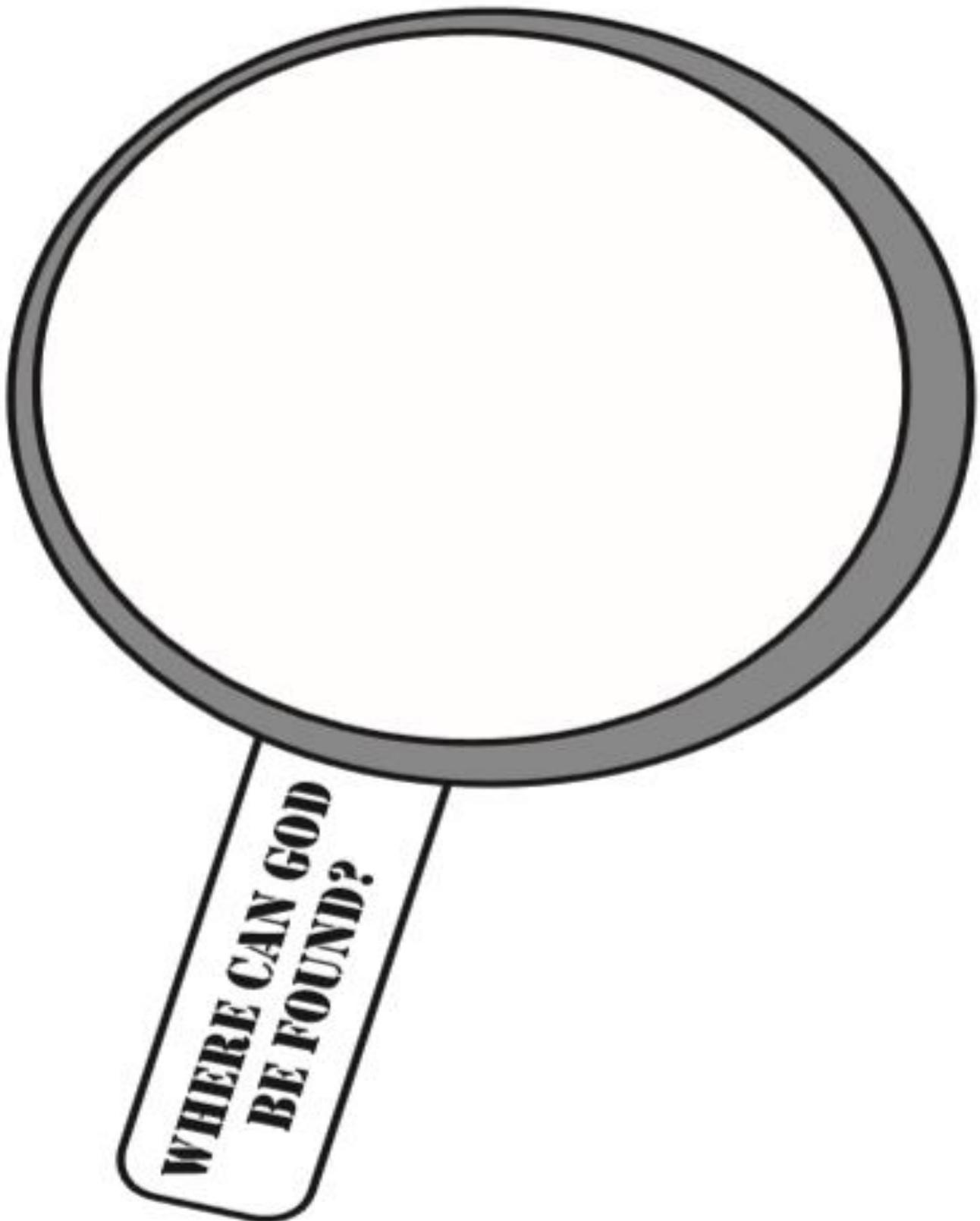
Game - I Spy

Child(ren) will look around the room and spy something that reminds them that God is with us, or is in something that we use. I spy with my little eye, something that is....

Activity or Craft – Magnifying Glass Sheet

Materials: crayons, cellophane or plastic film

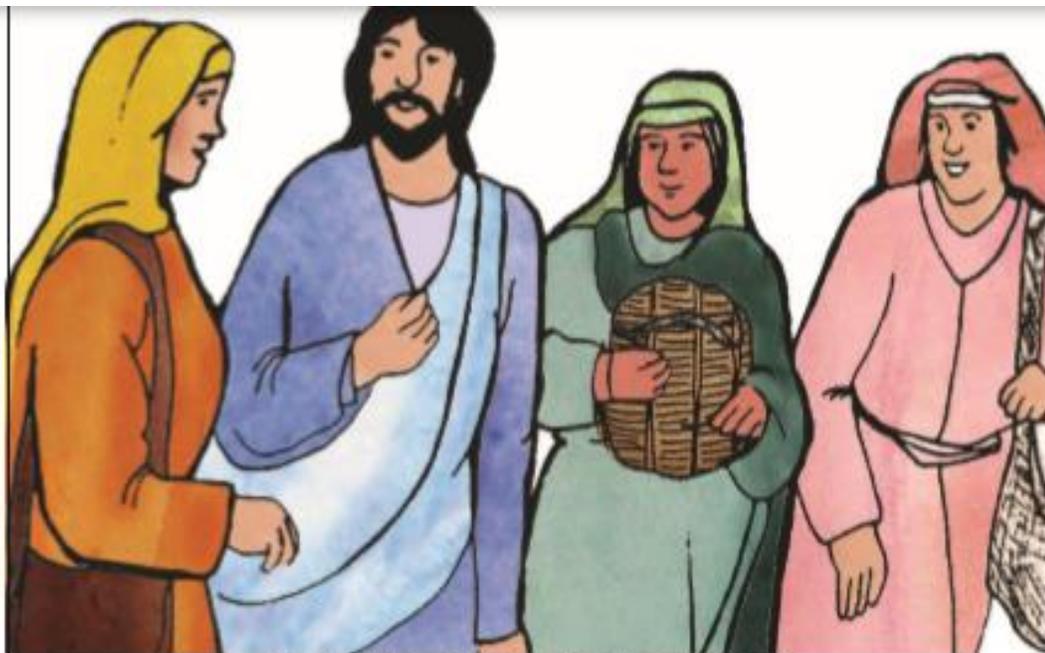
Encourage child(ren) to draw their own face in the glass and then to cover it with a piece of cellophane or plastic cut to fit and glue it on.



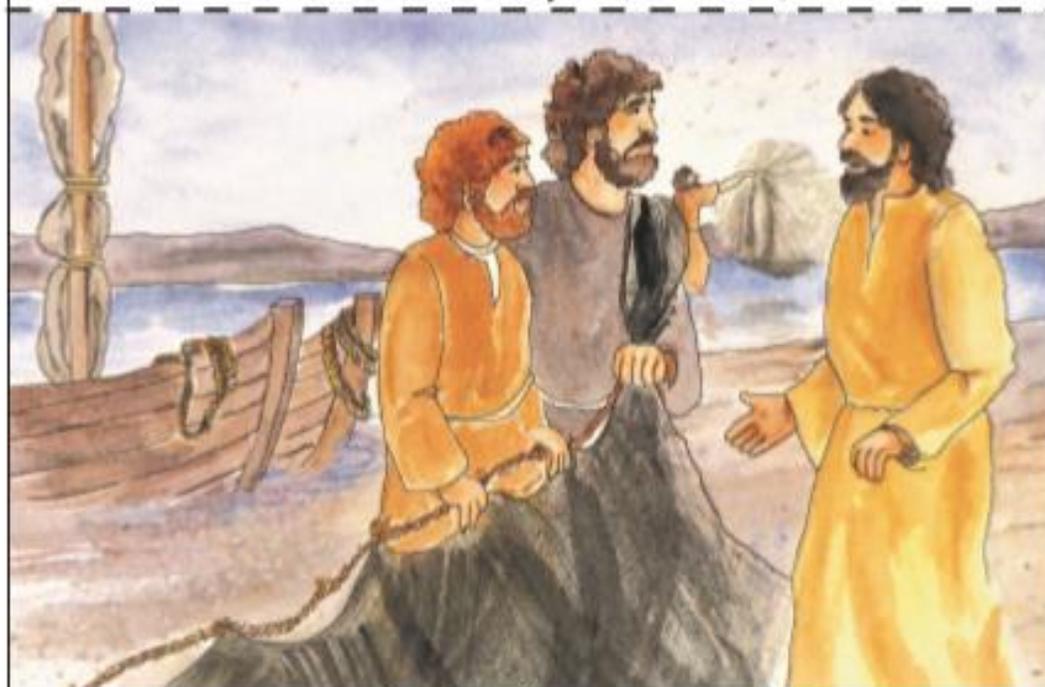
Closing Song

May the road rise up to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the sun shine warm upon your face
And the rains fall soft upon your fields
Till we meet again, we meet again
May God hold you in His hands.

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The Women Disciples (Luke 8:1-3)



Jesus Calls the Fishers (Mark 1:14-20)