

February 24

Healing Everything

Mark 2:1-12

Preparation:

Several bottles of medicine including cough syrup.

If the bottles aren't empty, please be sure the kids can't get into the bottles.

Sermon:

Begin by reading (you or lifeguard) today's scripture

Pg. 38-39 in Sitting on the Rainbow Sermon Book

Activity:

"Jesus forgives our sins and heals our hearts so that we can be close to God."

-Have the kids make "Healing Kits"

-Every kid will get a paper bag to decorate; and

their "Healing Kit" can be used to help someone that is sad, sick, hurt etc.

- Give them the "Healing Cards" to color and cut out to put in their "Healing Kit"

March 2

Who Needs a Doctor?

Mark 2:13-17

Preparation:

Pictures of items that may be in a Doctor's Kit.

Sermon:

Begin by reading today's scripture

Pg. 40-41 in Sitting on the Rainbow Sermon Book

Activity:

"Help us to tell others that you are the source of healing for all."

- Tell the kids you want their help inviting new people to church.
- Give them each postcards to color, and tell them these will be given to people to invite them to our church! Have them draw a picture of something they do at church on the front.
- Collect the cards, as we will put them out at the coffeehouse.

March 9

The Real Jesus

Mark 9:2-9

Preparation:

A scarf that can completely cover your head

Sermon:

Begin by reading today's scripture

Pg. 42-43 in Sitting on the Rainbow Sermon Book

Activity:

"Help us to see you more clearly, Jesus"

-The kids will put together "The Story of Jesus" Banner Craft Kit.

March 16

The Pain of Separation

Mark 11:1-11

Preparation:

Green Paper

Paper tubes

Sermon:

Read pages 54-55 in *Sitting on a Rainbow*

Activity:

-Leader: Vicki

Kids will make hand palms

March 23 (Easter)

Easter Butterflies

Mark 16:1-8

Preparation:

Clothes pins, tissue paper, pipe cleaners, google eyes

Sermon:

Begin by reading (you or lifeguard) today's scripture

Pg. 56-57 in Sitting on the Rainbow Sermon Book

Activity:

The kids will be making tissue paper butterflies.

Give each kid a piece of tissue paper

Fold it back and forth like a fan, or gather it so it looks like a bowtie.

Use the clothes pin to hold the tissue. This is the butterfly's wings.

Glue eyes and pipe cleaner antennae on the butterfly!

March 30

Sharing it All

Acts 4:32-35

Preparation:

Sermon: Read pages 58-59 in *Sitting on a Rainbow*

Activity: "Teach us to be generous with all the gifts you've given us."

-Leader: Vicki

- Color and assemble the "Color your own Prayer and Offering Boxes"

- The kids can use these boxes to save their Junior Church offering change.

April 6

The Author of Life

Acts 3:13-16

Preparation: Bring in several children's books by favorite authors

Sermon: Read pg 60-61 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: "Jesus, you are the author of our lives."

- The kids will make biography books.

- They will need to identify their favorite things and draw pictures of them.

- They will start working on their books today and finish them next week. Save the last page for next week.

April 13

Show Your Love

1 John 3:16-24

Preparation: Bring a large valentine and warm jacket to illustrate your talk

Sermon: Read pg 62-63 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity:

- Kids will finish their biography books they started last week.
- Have them finish the last page for their book, "I thank God for showing his love by"
- Let the kids finish their book, then tie them together.

April 20

No Fear

1 John 4:16-19

Preparation:

Sermon: Read pg 64-65 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: "Surround us with your perfect love and help us to live with no fear."

-Have the kids complete the activity "Raindrops are Falling" from the Bible Crafts/Shoe String Budget book pg 88-89.

- You may want to cut out the raindrops/umbrella tops ahead of time and put in little baggies for the kids. They are already photocopied.

April 27

Love My Kids

1 John 5:1-2

Preparation: Pictures of grandparents/grandchildren together

Sermon: Read pg 66-67 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: "Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is a child of God."

-Vicki and Barbara to lead activity

May 4

Like a Tree

Psalm 1:1-3

Preparation: Bring in some small leafy branches that children can hold, pretending to be trees.

Sermon: Read pgs 68-69 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: "He who has the Son has life"

-Activity to be planned.

May 11 (Mother's Day)

Bending the Rules

Deut. 5:12-15

Preparation:

Sermon: Read pg 76-77 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: -Activity to be planned

May 18

The Blame Game

Gen 3:8-15

Preparation: Jar/Package with cookies (enough to share at the end). If you have one, a large foam finger.

Sermon: Read pgs 78-79 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: "Forgive us Lord when we disobey. Help us to go to you to ask for forgiveness."

-Have the kids put together the "Talk to the Shepherd Lamb" so they can remember, that the Shepherd will help them when they need forgiveness.

May 25

Sprouting Kingdom Seeds Mark 4:26-34

Preparation: Small flowering plants to be transplanted. Larger planters and soil.

Sermon: Read pgs 80-81 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: "Help us to plant seeds of your kingdom."

-Leader: Vicki

-Children will work in groups to transplant the flowers to go outside by the doors of the Church.

June 1

What Do You Know?

Job 38:1-11

Preparation:

Sermon: Read pgs 82-83 in Sitting on a Rainbow

Activity: Activity to be planned