

LESSON 4: Sharing Jesus' Love with Others.

OBJECTIVE: To encourage children to share Jesus' love with others and be a reflection of His love in their daily lives

BIBLE PASSAGES: MATTHEW 5:14-16



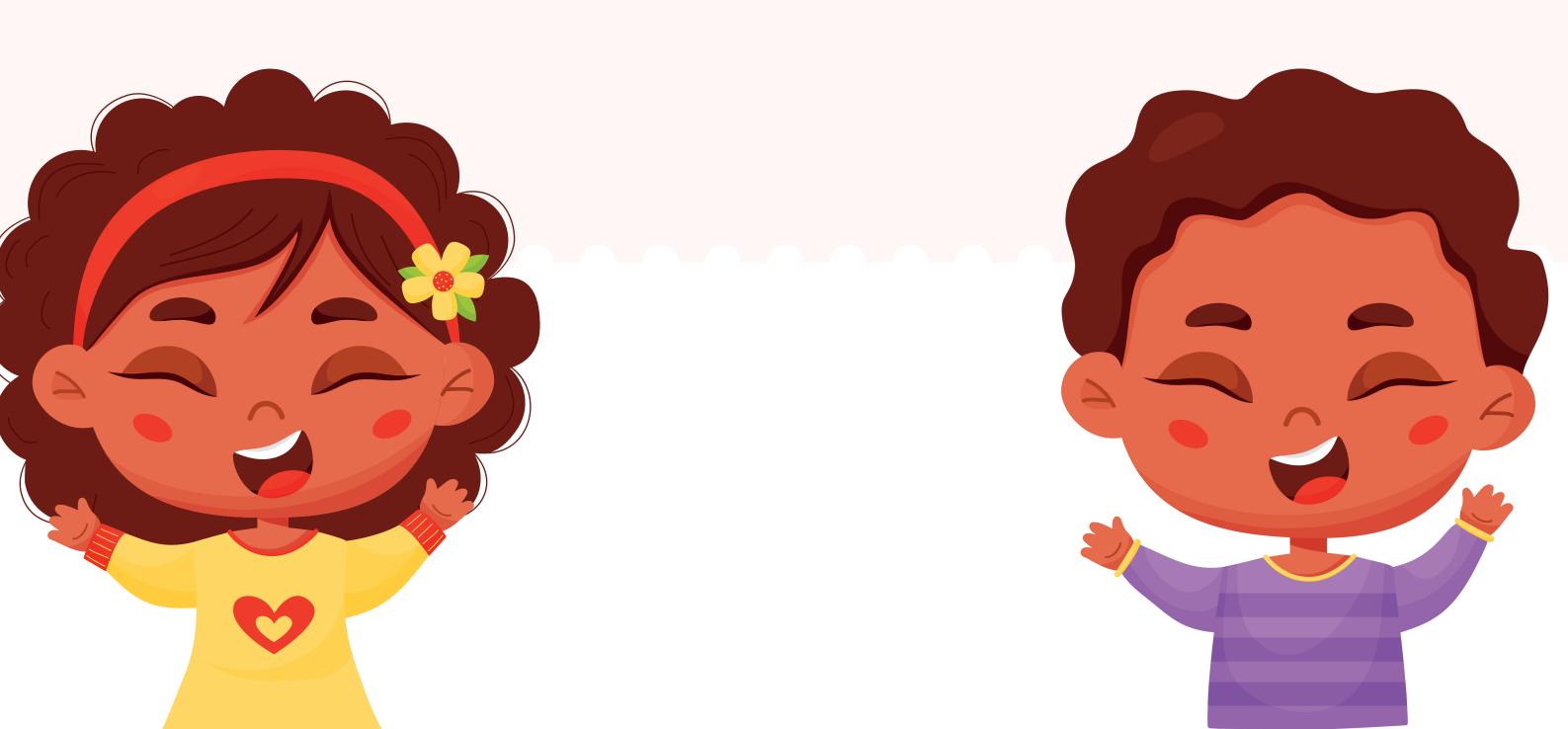
INTRODUCTION:

- **1.Begin by discussing the concept of being a light in the** world and how light can brighten darkness.
- 2. Explain that Jesus wants us to be like a light, shining His love to those around us.

LESSON:

- 1. Read aloud Matthew 5:14-16, emphasizing the idea of being a light in the world.
- 2. Discuss the passage using questions such as:
 - How can we be a light to others and show Jesus' love?
 - What are some practical ways we can share Jesus' love with those around us?

How can our actions and words reflect Jesus' love?



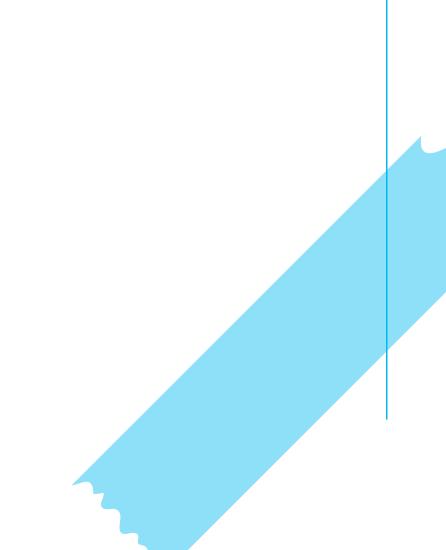


ACTIVITY 1: RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

- **1.Discuss with the children different ways they can show** kindness to others.
- 2. Encourage them to choose one act of kindness to perform during the following week.
- 3. Provide each child with a small "Kindness Journal" to record their acts of kindness.
- 4.In the next Sunday School session, invite the children to share their experiences and how they felt about sharing Jesus' love with others.

ACTIVITY 2: MIRROR REFLECTION

- 1. Ask the children to stand up and form pairs, facing each other.
- 2. Explain that in this game, one person in each pair will be the leader, and the other person will be the mirror.
- 3. The leader will perform various actions and movements, and the mirror should try to mimic or reflect those actions as closely as possible.
- 4. Encourage the leaders to choose actions that reflect kindness, love, and positive behavior, such as giving a
 - friendly wave, hugging themselves as if giving a self-hug, or smiling.
- 5. After a few minutes, switch roles, allowing the mirror to become the leader and vice versa.
- 6.Encourage the pairs to be creative and have fun while demonstrating acts of love and kindness through their mirrored actions.



ACTIVITY 3: KINDNESS HUNT

- 1. Explain to the children that they will embark on a "Kindness Hunt" to find acts of kindness happening around them.
- 2. Divide the children into small groups and assign a specific area for each group to explore (e.g., the Sunday School building, church grounds, or a designated indoor area).
 3. Instruct the groups to move around quietly and observe their surroundings, looking for examples of kindness happening around them.
- 4.Examples could include someone helping another person, sharing, comforting someone who is upset, or showing respect to others.
- 5.Encourage the children to discuss and share the acts of kindness they discover within their groups.
- 6. After the hunt, gather the children together and allow each group to share their findings with the whole class.
 7. Discuss how these acts of kindness reflect the love of Jesus and encourage the children to continue looking for and practicing kindness in their daily lives.

ACTIVITY 4: KINDNESS HUNT

- 1. Have the children sit in a circle.
- 2. Explain that in this game, each child will have a chance to share something positive, encouraging, or loving about the person sitting on their left.
- 3.Start the game by choosing one child to begin. They will turn to the left and share a kind word, compliment, or encouragement about the person next to them.
- 4. After the first child shares, the person who received the kind words will then turn to the left and do the same for

the next person, continuing around the circle.

- 5. Encourage the children to be sincere and thoughtful in their compliments and encouragements.
- 6.Continue the game until every child has had a chance to receive and give love and encouragement.
- 7. Emphasize that this game demonstrates the importance of uplifting one another and reflects the love of Jesus through our words and actions.
- 8. These games for Lesson 4 encourage children to actively practice and reflect Jesus' love in their daily lives through acts of kindness, encouragement, and love towards others.

ACTIVITY 4: LOVE IN ACTION DRAWING ACTIVITY

- 1. Provide each child with a sheet of paper and coloring materials (pencils, markers, crayons).
- 2.Explain that in this activity, the children will create a drawing that represents how they can show love in action, just like Jesus taught us.
- 3.Encourage the children to think about different ways they can demonstrate love and kindness to others in their daily lives.
- 4.Instruct them to draw a picture that illustrates an act of love in action. They can depict themselves or others engaged in these acts.
- 5.For example, they can draw someone helping a friend in
 - need, sharing toys with others, comforting someone who is sad, or being inclusive and playing with someone new.
- 6.Encourage the children to add details and colors to make their drawings vibrant and expressive.
- 7.Once they have finished their drawings, allow the children to share their artwork with the rest of the group.
- 8.As they share, ask each child to explain the act of love they depicted in their drawing and why it is important to show love in action.
- 9.Display the drawings in the Sunday School room as a visual reminder of the love and kindness Jesus calls us to demonstrate in our daily lives.