Unit 3  A Great Catch of Fish (Luke 5:1-11)  Lesson #1

Objectives:

Through this story the child will be able to:

1. Believe God’s Word.
2. Believe God will keep what He says.

Materials:

- crayons, markers, glue, scissors

Opening Activities:

Attendance, Bible, Visitor chart

A. Focusing event:

- Songs—There were Twelve Disciples; The B.I.B.L.E.; Read Your Bible, Pray Every Day; prayer

B. Instruction: page 2

C. Tying the net: page 2

D. Teaching the memory verse:

Eph 4:32  And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted,

Write the verse on the board. After they have read it aloud twice, begin to erase a word or two. After each erase, have the child say the verse again with the missing word/s. Repeat this until all the words are gone.

E. Independent activity:

- coloring craft
Have you ever gone fishing before? Did you catch a lot of fish? Three men named Peter, James, and John were fishing but they did not catch anything. All night they fished! They decided to quit fishing and go back on shore. While they were on the shore,

1. Jesus speaks to many people. (v. 1)
2. Jesus gets into Simon Peter’s boat, so the people can hear Him. (v. 3)
3. After the people leave, Jesus asks Peter to go out into the water and through the nets down. (v. 4)
4. Simon Peter says that they have been trying to catch fish all night and haven’t caught anything, but he will put a net down. (v. 5)
5. When they put the net down, they caught a huge number of fish! So much that the net was breaking and they needed other people come help pull the net in! (v. 6)
6. All the fish filled two boats, and were so heavy that they boats were sinking! (v. 7)
7. Peter falls down at Jesus’ knees because he did not believe Jesus. (v. 8, 9)
8. Jesus tells Peter and the other men that were with him, James and John, that they will catch men now instead of fish, meaning they will turn people to Jesus. (v. 10)
9. Peter, James, and John become Jesus’ disciples. (v. 11)

Do you think Peter, James, and John were glad that they listened to Jesus, and put their nets down in the water? They were able to catch two big boatful of fishes! If they had not listened to Jesus they would not have had any fish at all. They believed Jesus and we need to believe what God says too.
EVALUATION

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