



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5  
God of Wonders Part 1: Miracles of Jesus  
Unit 3, Lesson 11

## Jesus and the Children

**Lesson Aim:** To know children are important to Jesus and He wants them to come to Him.

### THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

**WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE:** "Come to Jesus."

### THE WORSHIP JESUS AS LORD

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

**It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to Jesus as Lord. When Jesus is our Lord, everything we do is for Him. In today's story, we learn Jesus wants little children to come to Him. That reminds me of today's Whisper Verse, "Come to Jesus." Let's try it together.**

Review the Whisper Verse. Include sign language.

**Even though we cannot see or touch Jesus right now, there are many ways we can come close to Him. We can pray, sing, and thank Him as we give our offering to His church. Let's do that now.** Sing: "Give Thanks to the Lord" while collecting the offering.

**OFFERING:** Collect the offering.

**We can come to Jesus today because He is always with us.** Sing: "He Is Mighty to Save."

**WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION:** *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

**Jesus said this is the most important rule for us to follow: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." That is our Bible Memory Verse. Let's sing the words of Jesus as we sing our Praise Time song.** Sing: "Praise Time: Love the Lord Your God."

### THE WORD JESUS SAID LET THE CHILDREN COME TO HIM CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned Jesus healed the ten men. Today, we will hear how Jesus told His followers to let the children come to Him. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Mark 10:16.

### **WATCH THE WORD: MARK 10:13-16**

Read poem. Display visual.

- People brought their children to Jesus,
- Hoping He'd touch each one.
- His followers told the parents, "No."
- But Jesus said, "Let them come!"
  
- "Let the little children come to Me;
- Do not make their way hard.
- God's kingdom belongs to such as these."
- Then He took them in His arms.
  
- He put His hands on the children
- And blessed each little child.
- "To enter the kingdom of God," He said,
- "Believe and have faith like a child."

**Who wanted the children to come to Him?** (Jesus.) **Who took the children into His arms?** (Jesus.) Read Mark 10:16.

**Jesus wants all children to come to Him.** Hold mirror up to each child. **What does Jesus want each child you saw in this mirror to do?** (Come to Jesus.) **Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "Come to Jesus."** Include sign language or hand motions.

### THE WAY YOU CAN COME TO JESUS

**CRAFT:** Hugs from Jesus

**GAMES:** Jesus Hugs, Come to Jesus

**SNACK:** Hugs and Blessings

**CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

**FINAL FIVE MINUTES**

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

### GOT TIME?

**SAY & DO:** Mark 10:13-16

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** Heart Hop, Lots of Love Tango  
**STORY TIME**