



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus
Unit 1, Lesson 5

Jesus Clears the Temple

Lesson Aim: To know God's house is holy.

THE WELCOME

TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Jesus loved the Church."

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO IS WITH US

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to Jesus, the King who is with us. Here in God's house, we will sing, give our money offering and pray to Jesus. Doing these things in God's house makes Jesus very happy. Let's start by giving our offering and praising the Lord with a song. Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

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

Jesus wants this place, His house, to be a house of prayer. Who would like to say a prayer to thank God for letting us come to His house today?

THE WORD JESUS CLEARS THE TEMPLE

CLASSROOM PROMISE

Last time, we learned how Jesus called His disciples to follow Him. Today, we'll hear how Jesus showed everyone that God's house is to be a house of prayer. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Mark 11:17b.

WATCH THE WORD: MARK 11:15-17

Read poem. Display visual.

- When Jesus came to Jerusalem,
- He went to the temple courts.
- Men were buying and selling there,
- Instead of worshiping the Lord.

- He stopped the sellers from walking through.
- He turned over bench after bench.
- Jesus wanted God's house kept special;
- They had made it a robber's den.

- Jesus turned over their tables.
- He chased those men away.
- "My house will be called a house of prayer,
- Where all nations can come and pray!"

How does Jesus feel about the Church? (Jesus loves the Church.) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "Jesus loved the Church." Include sign language or hand motions.

Any building where we gather to praise God, give our offering, sing and pray to Him is called God's house or a church. What did Jesus say His house should be called? (A house of prayer.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Mark 11:17b from the teacher's Bible.

THE WAY TREAT GOD'S HOUSE AS SPECIAL

CRAFT: God's Special House

GAMES: Clean God's House; I Love God's House

SNACK: Blessed Snack

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Mark 11:15-17

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Jump to Obey; Mother, May I?

STORY TIME