

At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9 Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus Unit 4, Lesson 20

Jesus Talks with Peter

Lesson Aim: To be invited to receive Christ as Savior and challenged to care for believers.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: Who do you love?

GAME: Feed My Sheep

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO ROSE

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 116:1-2.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Kingdom Adventures script or read storybook.

Share ABC (Salvation) Prayer.

THE WORD JESUS CHALLENGES PETER

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus walked with two men on the road to Emmaus.

Today, we will find out what happened when Jesus talked with Peter. Jesus had already forgiven Peter for denying Him. This took place near the Sea of Galilee. Point to the Sea of Galilee. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: John 21:15-17. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: John 21:16. Pray. Read.

THE WAY JESUS CHALLENGES YOU

What question did Jesus ask Peter three times? ("Do you love Me?") What three ways did Jesus give Peter to show His love to Jesus. (Feed His lambs, care for His sheep, and feed His sheep.) Jesus did not own real sheep. Who were Jesus' sheep? (His followers.)

Jesus said, "Feed My lambs." Who are Jesus' lambs? (His new followers.) How are new followers like lambs? (They are just beginning to grow in their faith like lambs grow in size.) If followers are growing fast like lambs, what is their food? (The Bible is like

food that helps their faith grow.) Have you ever told a Bible story to a younger child? If so, you were feeding one of Jesus' lambs.

If you prayed the ABC Prayer for the first time today, raise your hand and I'll give you a Guide for New Believers. It is one way to guide you as one of Jesus' new lambs. If you have never prayed a prayer like the ABC Prayer and would like to, come pray with me now. It is fine if you are not ready. You can pray and ask God to help you become ready. Lead any children who feel they are ready to pray the ABC Prayer located in THE WORSHIP or GOT TIME segments.

Jesus said, "Take care of My sheep." Jesus knows His followers need lots of care. Have you ever helped someone when they were sick or cheered someone up when they were sad? Caring for those Jesus loves is a way to show Jesus that you love Him.

Jesus said, "Feed My sheep." Older sheep also need to be fed. In the same way, even when we know a lot about the Bible, we still need to read it for our faith to grow.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus told Peter to care for His followers just as a shepherd cares for his sheep. Hundreds of years before Jesus talked to Peter, God planned to give His people leaders who would be like shepherds. Reveal Jeremiah 3:15. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

Is there someone who has been like a shepherd to you? How has he or she taught you more about God or taken care of you?

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: ASK ME ABOUT SHEEP! sticker
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus talking with Peter
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Snack of Love **GAME:** Feeding Jesus' Sheep

CRAFT: Pockets of Love **DISCUSSION:** ABC Prayer

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Four Corners of the Earth,

The Wave

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW