



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus
Unit 5, Lesson 26

The Good Shepherd

Lesson Aim: To know we belong to Jesus.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "The Lord is my Shepherd."

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO TEACHES

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

All our friends have gathered here with us to sing praise to King Jesus. Sing: "Sing Praises." King Jesus is the King who teaches us. His special stories help us understand the kingdom of God.

Last week, we learned about the wise man who built his house on the rock. Today, we will hear the story Jesus told about the good shepherd. Jesus is our Good Shepherd. That's our Whisper Verse for today. Let's whisper, "The Lord is my Shepherd." Quietly review Whisper Verse together: "The Lord is my Shepherd." Include sign language.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd for His followers all over the world. Everyone who believes in Jesus belongs to Him. Let's thank Jesus, our Good Shepherd, by giving our money offerings now. Sing: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" while collecting the offering.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

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

Jesus is our Good Shepherd. He will watch over us wherever we go. Let's sing God's promise about that from the Bible. Sing: "I Am with You." We are like sheep that belong to Jesus, the Good Shepherd. We belong to Him and He loves us very much. Sing: "How Wide."

THE WORD THE GOOD SHEPHERD CLASSROOM PROMISE

Show Lesson 25 "House on the Rock" craft sample. Last time, we learned God wants us to make wise choices. Who would like to tell the story

of the wise builder we learned last week? Let one or two children take a turn telling the story while they hold the craft sample.

Today, we will hear how Jesus is the Good Shepherd. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to John 10:16a.

WATCH THE WORD: JOHN 10:14-16

Read poem. Display visual.

- "I am the Good Shepherd,"
- Jesus said to you and me.
- He said, "I know My sheep,
- And My sheep know Me."

- "I lay down My life for them,
- Because I love them so.
- I have sheep in other places,
- I must bring them in also."

- "They will listen to My voice,
- They will follow and obey.
- And all the sheep will be together
- With the Good Shepherd one day."

Who is the Good Shepherd? (The Lord Jesus.) That's like our Whisper Verse! Let's say it together: "The Lord is my Shepherd." Include sign language or hand motions.

Who knows His sheep? (Jesus.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read John 10:14 from teacher's Bible. Jesus calls you His sheep. He knows all about you!

THE WAY JESUS IS OUR SHEPHERD

CRAFT: Shepherd's Staff

GAMES: Follow the Shepherd, Jesus Knows You

SNACK: Fluffy Sheep

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: John 10:14-16

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Praise Dance, Circle of Praise
STORY TIME