

Lesson No. (27)

Peter And John

Their Courage in witnessing Jesus Christ

References

Acts 4.

Notes for Servants

★ Beloved servant. Do follow the apostles path in witnessing Christ by our words, and our works.

Objectives

General: The Christian Courage.

Specific:

The children will be able to

- A. learn to steadfast in their believe in their schools and among their friends
- B. answer others about their believe.
- C. accept bad treatment because of their witness.

Bible Verse

“For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.”

(Acts 4:20)

Teaching Aids

1. Felt figure and flannel board.
 2. Video.
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Introduction

- (1) Review last week's lesson.
- (2) Who remembers the verse?
- (3) Remind the children about the church occasions for the coming week.

Story Time

One day, about 3 p.m., Peter and John went to the alter (temple), and on their way at the gate they met a very poor man asking for help. This man was born crippled. When he saw the two disciples he extended his hand towards them asking and hoping getting something. Peter and John did not have any money to give to this man. The only thing they have the power of healing (that God gave it to them). Peter looked at the man and said to him: I have nothing to give to you but in the name of Jesus Christ, The Nazarus....I said to you: Stand and walk, and he held the hand of the crippled man and helped him to stand. At once (on the spot) the legs of this man became stronger and this was the first time-since he was born, he could walk. The man was very happy and expressed his happiness by jumping. He did not want to leave Peter and John but he stick with them and entered the temple with them, he was shouting in a very happy way, worshipping God because of what he did with him.

Now all the people knew the miracle of healing and every one saw the man (the healed man) asking him how could he have been healed? A great multitude of people gather around Peter, John and the man, then Peter started preaching to let them become Christians. While they were talking with the people, some people came and caught them and put them in custody (prison) or jail till next day. They thought that if they let them stay in prison for only one day, this will make them stop preaching. Next day in the morning, the elders and the bosses gathered to judge Peter and John. In a very courageous way, Peter and John admitted that are Christians and they healed this man by the name of Jesus Christ, the Nazarus whom they did kill and crucify, but in the third day He rose from death, and without him no one can be saved. The bosses were amazed and astonished.

They started asking each other, what were their jobs? They were fishermen, from where these very simple men got this courage? What shall we do with them? We have to stop them preaching because the people love them, and what shall we do with crippled man that they healed him? He still stands with them as a proof for the miracle. We have to threaten them. They ordered Peter and John not to talk any more about Jesus Christ. Of course, the disciples did not agree and because they did not want disobeying God's commandments. They told them we have talked about what we have heard and what we have seen. God be with us and we are not afraid from your threaten. Although the bosses were upset from Peter's and John's words, they let them go because they were scared from the people. When Peter and John met the rest of the disciples they told them about what had happened with them. They prayed together to God to give them to preach and talk about God in front of every one.

Discussion

- 1 - Follow up the story by talking about it with the children.
- 2 - Continue the discussion while they do the activity.

Learning Activities

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