

Lesson No. (43)

Do not be greedy

Ollogious - the stone cutter

References

Ollogious, the stone cutter - prints of Syrian monastery.

Notes for Servants

- ★ As we teach the children not to be so greedy and to be self sufficient so we should train ourselves to be satisfied with what we have.
"And having food and raiment let us be therewith content." (1 Tim 6:8.)
- ★ If God give us more money we should not be greedy and forget our love to our friends, the poor.

Objectives

General: To train ourselves not to be greedy.

Specific:

The children will be able to

- A. have feelings for the poor and the needy.
- B. learn to give others even when we have a little of anything.
- C. understand that when God give us more, we should give more not less.

Bible Verse

"For a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."

(Luke 12:15)

Teaching Aids

Servant to prepare his material.

Instruction

- (1) Review last week's lesson.
- (2) Who remembers the verse?
- (3) Remind the children about the church occasions for the coming week.
- (4) Teacher should prepare the appropriate questions to emphasize the objectives during the lesson.

Story Time

Once upon a time there was a poor man named Ollogious, he was working in cutting stones, he was payed only one dollar a day. Ollogious loved people so much, he liked to host the strangers, wash their feet and offer them all what he have.

One day Ollogious met St. Daniel who was a monk, he hosted him, washed his feet and fed him. St. Daniel was so happy with what this poor man had done to him. St. Daniel prayed to God for three weeks to repay Ollogious for what he has done to him, and give him a lot of money. God answered his prayer and he let Ollogious to find a treasure. He became very rich.

After Ollogious become rich, he did not like his small city and the poor people in it any more. He went to a big city where all the rich people lived and became friends to the rich people, he got along with them and forgot about the poor people who he used to serve. St. Daniel learned about that and regretted that he prayed to God to make him rich, and he prayed again asking God to return Ollogious to his previous love.

God answered his prayer, and Ollogious lost all his money and became poor again. His rich friends had left him. He came back to his city very poor after all. He went back to his old job and continued, after he learned his lesson, to serve his friends the poor. St. Daniel was very happy and thanked God.

Discussion

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

Learning Activities

Activity Sheet.