

Lesson No. (16)

St. Mary and the Angel

The Annunciation

References

Luke 1:26-45.
The Jesus Story.

Notes for Servants

- ★ God loved St. Mary because she was very humble. We should humble ourselves before God that He may have mercy on us.
- ★ Let us meditate in St. Mary's saying, "Behold, the handmaid of the Lord" and apply it in our service.
- ★ St. Mary was full of love when she heard from the Angel that Elizabeth was pregnant. She forgot herself and her own baby. St. Mary went immediately to help Elizabeth because Elizabeth was an old woman. We should serve others when we know their needs, even before they ask us.

Objectives

General: To share with the church the joy of Christmas and be ready for it.

Specific:

- The children will be able to ...
- A. Understand what Christmas is all about.
 - B. Feel the importance of Christmas to us.
 - C. Start fasting if they have not started yet.

Bible Verse

“Blessed art thou among Women.”

Luke 1:28

Teaching Aids

1. Felt figures and flannel board.
 2. Video Cassette.
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Introduction

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

Story Time

A long time ago, there was a young woman whose name was Mary. Mary lived in a small town called Nazareth. She and a man named Joseph were planning to get married.

One day, something very unusual happened to Mary. She saw an angel. The angel said, "Rejoice! Be happy! God is with you." What did this mean? Mary was a little bit afraid. Why would an angel come to say these strange things? "Mary, don't be afraid," the angel said. "God is very pleased with you." The angel told Mary that she was going to have a baby. It would be a boy, and His Name was to be Jesus.

Mary was very surprised to hear this news. "How can it be?" She wondered. The angel said, "This baby will be a special and holy child. This baby named Jesus shall be called the Son of God."

Mary wondered about all of this. Then, the angel said that Mary's cousin Elizabeth was going to have a baby, too. That was exciting news because Elizabeth had wanted a baby for a very long time.

Mary told the angel, "I will do what God wants." After the angel left, Mary went to visit her cousin. What the angel had said was true. Elizabeth was going to have a baby, too. Both Elizabeth and Mary were very happy.

Discussion

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

Learning Activities

Colouring Page.