

5th Grade Religious Ed Wednesday, March 14, 2012

Theme: Loving Others (The Ten Commandments)

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- I. 6:15-6:30 Welcome Sarah, Jessi, Ali
- Attendance
 - Rosary, Bible
 - Special items needed:
 - Four beach balls or kick balls (something easily thrown)
 - World Mission rosaries (already in classroom, kids can take home, gift from Missions Office from last week) <-- pass out AT THE END
 - Copies to make:
 - 10 Commandments fill-in worksheet
 - Note: Fold in half, cut on black line to make them look like tablets
 - Set-up notes, if any:
 - Will be moving tables out of the way early on, and then setting them back in place later (apologies for noise--we may be rowdy this week!)
- II. 6:30 – 6:40 Opening Prayer Sarah
- Moment of silence to prepare our thoughts and minds for God.
 - Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be
- III. 6:40 – 6:45 Trivia Answers/Questions Sarah
- This week's trivia:
 - What are the Holy Days of Obligation in our Church year?
 - Next week's trivia:
 - Who is the patron of the missions?
 - Bonus: pray a World Mission rosary this week.
- IV. 6:45-7:00 Activity: Beach Ball Madness Sarah
- Will need to push tables to the walls, stack chairs
 - Divide into two groups (boys and girls?)
 - Stand in circle
 - "Okay, everyone ready to play a game? Ready, set, GO!"
 - Toss a beach ball to a person in the group without further directions.
 - --> DO NOT give directions! DO NOT explain.
 - Let them bounce it around and grumble for a few minutes.
 - "It seems nobody knows how to play this game. Anyone want some directions?"
 - Person with the ball tosses it (easy toss!) to another person in the circle.
 - That person tosses it (easy toss!) to a different person who hasn't had the ball yet.

- That person tosses it (easy toss!) to someone else who hasn't had it yet.
- Repeat until everyone in the circle has had a turn.
- This order is your group's pattern.
- Repeat it a few times.
- Once the groups get their patterns established, repeat it several more times.
- Introduce a second ball into each group.
- If time, see how quickly they can do it without dropping the balls.

V. 7:00-7:15 Discussion: Ten Commandments Sarah

- Collect balls, sit on a circle on the floor or in chairs (go with the mood).
- How did it feel to start the game without instructions?
- Why do rules and guidelines help make games more fun?
- How are the Ten Commandments like rules to the game?
- What are the Ten Commandments?
 - Make a list on the board of what they can remember.
 - Where could we look to find out what the Ten Commandments are?
 - They were in the Mass readings from last weekend--give candy if anyone mentions that!
 - Pass out Bibles: Read Exodus 20:1-17 together
 - Pass out Ten Commandments worksheets after reading them together, work to fill in the blanks together
- How do the Ten Commandments make it easier to live with other people?
 - Better relationship to God and each other

7:15 - 7:25 Closing Prayer Sarah

- Reflection on Third Luminous Mystery: Proclamation of the Kingdom
 - Jesus told everyone what they already knew, or should have already known
 - We sometimes ignore the rules or think they don't apply to us, but Jesus reminds us that we can't get into the Kingdom of Heaven unless we acknowledge both the rules and our failure to obey
 - There is a freedom in trusting God's plan, and Jesus shows us the way
 - There may be pain and trial, but God is always with us
 - How can the reality of Jesus in my life bring the Kingdom of God closer to others? How can I live more faithfully and be closer to Jesus?
- Decade of the rosary, reflecting on the Third Luminous Mystery: Proclamation of the Kingdom

7:25 - 7:30 Clean-up & Dismissal Sarah, Jessi, Ali

- Return Phones!!

I am the Lord thy God; thou shalt not have strange gods before ___.

Thou shalt not take the _____ of the Lord thy God in vain.

Remember to keep holy the Lord's _____.

_____ thy father and thy mother.

You shalt not _____.

Thou shalt not commit _____.

You shalt not _____.

Thou shalt not bear false _____.

Thou shalt not covet thy _____, _____ wife.

Thou shalt not covet thy _____, _____ goods.