

August - Walkers

Toddler Tips



Keep in mind that our Walkers are very young. They are not yet ready to sit in a circle and listen. The best approach is to read the Trail Log and do the lesson with Mighty Mouse while they are eating snack. They are already sitting! Children this age learn best through play. Use the **Play-Time Connection** to talk to them about the lesson throughout the morning while they are playing.

Theme Points



Theme: Obey God

Central Question: *Why should I obey God?*

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*

Bible Passage: Acts 9:1-20-Saul encounters the Lord on the road to Damascus and learns to obey God.

Key Point: Obey means to do what you are told. God wants us to obey Him because He has GOOD PLANS for us. We may not understand what God's plans are but we can trust Him. God knows what is best.

For Teachers: *Adonai* means "Lord and Master." According to Holman's Illustrated Bible Dictionary its root "Adon" denotes ownership and therefore absolute control. Adonai also describes the relationship between Master and slave. In the Jewish relationship a slave had more privileges than the hired help and was even considered a member of the household. The slave obeyed the master and trusted that the master would provide all the resources to take care of him/her and to do the job required of him/her. As we obey the Lord and live by the Word we can trust Him to provide for us both physically and spiritually. (From: http://www.preceptaustin.org/adonai-lord-the_name_of_god)

Play-Time Connection

Toy Time – Set up the tunnel. Invite each child to crawl through the tunnel. When they come out the other end congratulate them, "[Child's name] obeyed! Great job!"

Sensory Bottles Shake up the bottles and watch the objects inside. Ask a child to find a certain object. Tell the child how it connects to the lesson.

Bible TREK Velcro Train Invite the children to pull off the pictures and put them back on. Talk with them about how the pictures connect to the theme.

Bible Lesson



Trail Log Entry

(Read from story page. Have the children lift the flaps.)

Dear Trail Log... Our names are Jimmy and Julie. We had a picnic at the park. We didn't want to eat our carrots but Mommy said we need to obey her. Mommy wants us to eat carrots because she has GOOD PLANS for us. Carrots make us strong and healthy! Mommy said the Bible tells us to obey. Do you know why the Bible tells us to obey?



Mighty Mouse

- Jimmy and Julie's mom wants them to obey and eat their carrots. Our memory verse tells us that we should obey. Let's say the memory verse. Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*
- Hey, I know a chapter in the Bible that tells about a man who learned to obey God.
- (Teacher reads the Bible story.)
- Saul needed to obey God because God had GOOD PLANS for him.
- Let's say the memory verse. Psalm 119:2 *Joyful are those who obey God!*
- We need to obey God because God has GOOD PLANS for us!