

GOOD NEWS CLUB AGENDA

LIFE OF CHRIST #9 – “The Woman at the Well”

WEEK OF:

MAIN TRUTH: God wants you to show His love to those who are different from you.

TO DO AS THE CHILDREN ARRIVE:

1. Greet the children; make them feel welcome.
2. Take attendance.
3. Listen to previous week’s memory verse.
4. Have children put money in missions bank.

PRE-SESSION ACTIVITY:

1. OLDER CHILD: “What Is the Loving Thing to Do?”
2. YOUNGER CHILD: Life of Christ #9 Activity Sheet

SONG: (2 minute)

PRAYER: (3 minutes)

2. Prayer song: _____
2. Ask the children to share any “Thank You Prayers” or “Please Prayers” they have.
3. Lead the children in “Thank You Prayers” and “Please Prayers.”

MEMORY VERSE: (6 minutes)

Revelation 22:17 – *“The Spirit and the bride say, ‘Come.’ And let him that heareth say, ‘Come.’
And let him that is athirst come. . . .”*

(The underlined portion of the verse indicates what the younger children should memorize. See “**Involvement Helps for Younger Children**” for helps in teaching the verse to the younger children.)

Pass the Bible– After reading the verse from your Bible, explaining what it means, and repeating it at least two times, you may begin this activity. Have the children form a circle and pass a Bible around the circle as they recite the verse (depicting God’s invitation being extended to all). If a girl is holding the Bible at the end of the verse, all girls join in reciting the verse together. If the Bible stops in the hands of a boy, then all boys recite the verse together. Play several times, removing one piece of the visual each time so that the children are saying the verse from memory.

HYMN FOR LIFE OF CHRIST #7 – #12: (2 minutes)

BIBLE LESSON: (20 minutes)

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(See “**Involvement Helps for Younger Children**” for ways to involve the children in the Bible lesson.)

COUNSEL TIME:

(If you have a helper, hostess, or Teacher Junior Grade, let them do the review time while you counsel those who responded to the invitation. Otherwise, at the end of club, be sure to remind the children who responded to the invitation to stay after club for a few minutes.)

LEARNING ABOUT THE BIBLE & THE NEW TESTAMENT BOOKS: (6 minutes)

Teach information for Week #5. (See attached page.)

QUIET TIME NOTEBOOK: (1 minute)

From the returned TTtR/Q.T.N.s, mention one or two of the children's responses to the Main Truth challenge. Hand out Take Time to Review/Quiet Time Notebook, Life of Christ #9. Ask the children to complete the booklet before the next club. Remind them that they need to show you their TTtR/Q.T. Notebook next week.

MISSIONARY TIME: (14 minutes)

1. Sing "God's Way" while child comes to look in the "Go and Tell" Box.
2. Share missionary information for the "Go and Tell" Box – Week #9. (See attached page.)
3. Pray for the missionary. (See attached page.)
4. Show goal chart and mention the amount given so far.
5. Missions song: _____
6. Story: (*In person*) *I Dare*, Week #9 - **OR** - (*Online*) *Doctor in the Pygmy Forest*, Week #13

REVIEW ACTIVITY: (6 minutes)

Use the activity below **or** the Bible Learning Game from "**Involvement Helps for Younger Children.**"

"String of Lights" – Back Christmas tree lights from attached pattern and cut them out. When you play the review game, put the lights in random order on the board and divide the class into two teams. When a child correctly answers a review question, he may choose any light and start his team's string of lights. When the last question has been answered, the team with the longest string of lights wins the game. – By Rita L. Lobdell. *GIVE & TAKE*, November/December 1995.

Review Questions – Life of Christ #9

1. **Why did the Jews not like to travel through Samaria?** (They didn't like the Samaritans and didn't get along with them)
2. **Why did Jesus want to walk through Samaria?** (He knew there was a woman there who needed Him. He loved the Samaritan people.)
3. **Where did Jesus stop to rest?** (At the well outside Sychar)
4. **What did Jesus do at the well that seemed strange?** (He spoke to a Samaritan woman)
5. **Why was it strange for Jesus to speak to the Samaritan woman?** (Men didn't speak to women in public. Jews wouldn't speak to Samaritans.)
6. **What did Jesus ask the woman to do?** (Give him a drink)
7. **What did Jesus tell the woman He could give her?** (Living water – everlasting life)
8. **What did Jesus tell the Samaritan woman to do?** (Go, call her husband and come back)
9. **What did the Samaritan woman do?** (She left her water pot and ran off to tell others)
10. **What did we learn that God wants you to do if Jesus is your Saviour?** (Show His love to those who are different from you.)

*COUNSEL TIME: (*Only if you did not counsel with the children earlier.)

SEND HOME WITH THE CHILDREN:

1. Pre-session papers for older and younger child
2. Memory verse token
3. Take Time to Review/Quiet Time, Life of Christ #9

PRE-SESSION, Older Child – LIFE OF CHRIST #9

What Is the Loving Thing to Do?

 **Read what happened to Richard, Leanne, and Skip. Write what you think each one could do. If you think one of the actions is the loving thing to do, write **LOVING** on the line.**



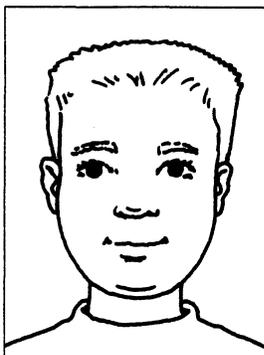
Richard's friend has been dabbling with drugs that he gets from his older brother. He has passed out once in the boy's bathroom, and Richard has asked him to stop messing around with the drugs. His friend said that if Richard told anyone what he was doing that would be the end of their friendship. What could Richard do?

- Cover for his friend and lie when asked about his friend's involvement with drugs.
 - Talk to his parents about the situation and together decide what to do next.
 - Or, Richard could _____
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Leanne's friend, Stacy, has been hanging out with a group of older boys. Leanne doesn't like the language they use and she has seen these boys smoking behind the school. Leanne is concerned for Stacy's safety. However, she knows that if she says anything to Stacy, it may cost her her friendship with Stacy. What could Leanne do?

- Talk to Stacy and explain her concerns.
 - Be quiet about the whole thing and hope nothing happens to Stacy.
 - Or, Leanne could _____
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Skip's friend, John, asked Skip if he could borrow \$5.00 to pay his older brother back. The older brother needs the money to buy cigarettes. If Skip doesn't give John the money then his older brother might hurt John. What could Skip do?

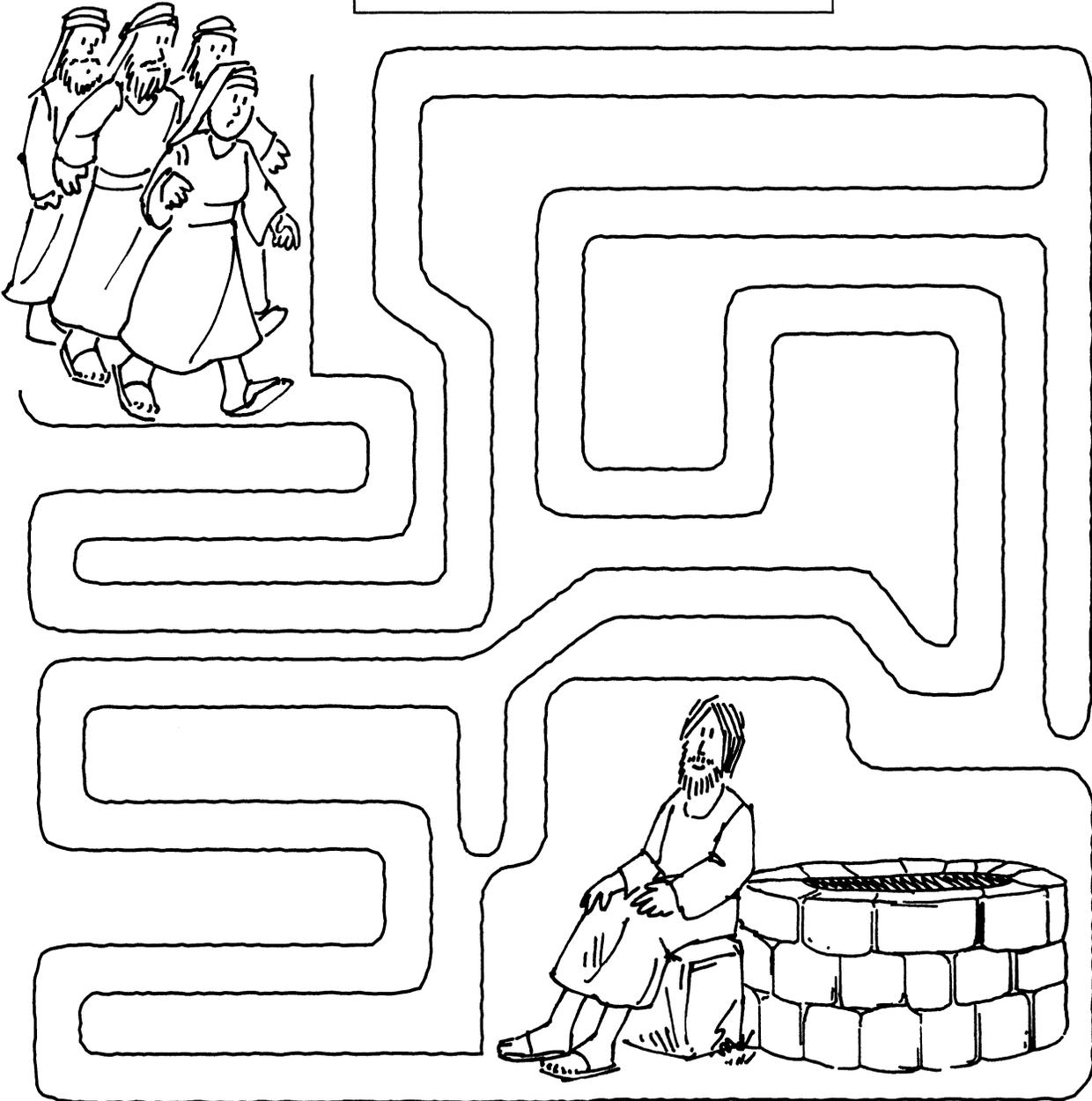
- Give John the \$5.00.
 - Talk to his parents or a trusted adult along with John to decide what to do.
 - Or, Skip could _____
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Name _____

PRE-SESSION, Younger Child – LIFE OF CHRIST #9

A woman in Samaria talked to Jesus and then brought her neighbors to Him so He could teach them, too.

Follow the path and lead the people to Jesus.



“... And let him that is athirst come...”

Revelation 22:17

Life of Christ #9

THE WOMAN AT THE WELL

Revelation 22:17

“ . . . The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come”

Introduction:

(Pull a party invitation out of an envelope with great excitement.) Do you like to receive invitations? Maybe you've been invited to a birthday party or invited to go to a special place with your friend and her family. It's fun to receive invitations. Our memory verse today is an invitation from God to you, so it must be a very important invitation. Let's take a look at it.

Presentation:

Read the verse together from the visual. Then read the verse from the Bible.

Explanation:

Revelation 22:17 – This is the address of the verse. It's where it's found in the Bible.

“” – The dots at the beginning and end of the verse mean there are more words to the verse that we're not going to learn.

“The Spirit and the bride say, Come.” – The Spirit is talking about God the Holy Spirit. The bride is God's special name for all those who have received Jesus as their Saviour. I am part of the bride of Christ because I've received Jesus as my Saviour. Perhaps some of you are also part of the bride of Christ. What is it that the Holy Spirit and the bride of Christ are inviting you to do? Come! Come to God by receiving Jesus as your Saviour.

“And let him that heareth say, Come.” – All those who hear His Word and receive Jesus as their Saviour should invite others to come to Him, too.

“And let him that is athirst come” – When you are thirsty, nothing satisfies your need like a cold glass of water. The only way to satisfy your need of knowing God and to have your sin forgiven is to “come” to Him by receiving Jesus as your Saviour. This is God's special invitation to you.

Repetition:

Pass the Bible

Have the children form a circle and pass a Bible around the circle as they recite the verse (depicting God's invitation being extended to all). If a girl is holding the Bible at the end of the verse, all the girls join in saying the verse together. If the Bible stops in the hands of a boy, then all the boys say the verse together.

HELPS FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN

Life of Christ #9

Memory Verse

For younger children, teach only the underlined portion of the verse.

Revelation 22:17 – “. . . *The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come*”

Bible Lesson Involvement Helps

Flashcard 3-1:

Have children walk in place. Comment on being tired and hungry.

Flashcard 3-2:

Have children extend arm. “Walk” your pointer and middle fingers from your shoulder to your hand. This is the woman walking to the well.

Have children ask a neighbor, “*Will you give me a drink?*”

Flashcard 3-3:

Count to 5 together on fingers.

Flashcard 3-5:

Have children extend arm. “Run” your pointer and middle fingers from your hand back to your shoulder. This is the woman hurrying to the city.

With beckoning hand, children say, “Come, see! Come, see!”

Bible Learning Game (Bean Bag)

By Linda D. Ruth

Sit together in a circle. Toss bean bag (could use a ball, orange, or a rolled up sock instead) to child on left saying, “*(Child’s name), God loves you.*” That child tosses bean bag to one on his left, saying, “*(Child’s name), God loves you.*” Continue around the circle.

You could also use:

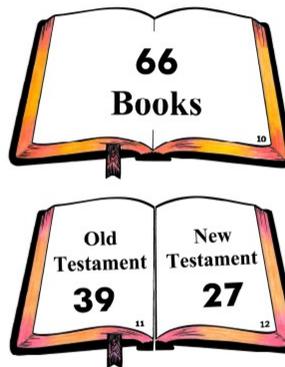
“*(Child’s name), you’re my friend.*”

(Child’s name), Jesus loves you.”

If time allows, you could also reverse direction.

LEARNING ABOUT THE BIBLE & THE NEW TESTAMENT BOOKS

WEEK #5



Let's take a minute to review what we have been learning about the Bible. **(Place figure #1.)** *(Review how many men wrote the Bible, the variety of their backgrounds, how many years it took, who the true Author is, and how to treat the Bible.)* Do you know how many books are in the Bible? The Bible has 66 books in it. **(Place figure #10.)** In fact, the word *Bible* comes from a word that means "books." The Bible is like a library of 66 books. The Bible is divided into two major parts. The first part of the Bible is called the *Old Testament*; the second part is the *New Testament*. The Old Testament has 39 books in it. **(Place figure #11.)** The New Testament has 27 books. **(Place figure #12.)** An easy way to remember how many books are in the Old Testament is to count the number of letters in the word *Old* (3) and count the number of letters in the word *Testament* (9). If you put them together (39), that gives you the number of books in the Old Testament. Then, if you multiply 3 times 9, what do you get? Twenty-seven. That's how many books are in the New Testament. Thirty-nine Old Testament books plus 27 New Testament books equals 66 books. So the Bible is a book of books. Next week, we will learn about how God gave us the Bible.

INFORMATION ABOUT MISS NICOLE GO AND TELL BOX – WEEK #9

NAME and ADDRESS:

Silent Word Ministries International
Attention: Miss Nicole Condra
P.O. Box 889
Trenton GA 30752
Email: nicole@swmi.org

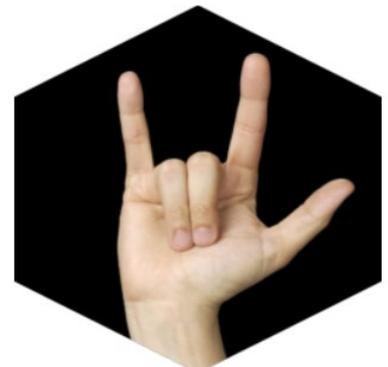
BIRTHDAY:

Nicole – August 10

Suggested item to put in the “Go and Tell” Box – a picture of a hand showing “love” in sign language.

What do you think this picture of a hand showing “love” in sign language has to do with *going and telling*? *(Let the children share their ideas.)*

Today, we will learn about another missionary, Miss Nicole Condra, and her ministry of sharing Jesus’ love with people in Romania.



INFORMATION:

Miss Nicole Condra is a missionary sharing Jesus’ love with those that are deaf through sign language. We will call her **Miss Nicole**. *(Show her picture and have the children say her name as you point to her.)* Miss Nicole lives in Romania. She grew up in the USA and learned about Jesus at an early age. One December while playing at the playground she was thinking about the Gospel message her Sunday School teacher and parents had shared with her and God gave her understanding of His Word. She prayed to receive Jesus as her Saviour right there.

Miss Nicole is busy learning the language in Romania. She never realized how hard it would be to communicate in Romania without knowing the language. What would take us just a little time in the United States to talk with someone takes double or triple the time in Romania. Pray that her local Pastor’s wife (her language tutor) will be able to continue to help her learn the language and the customs of the people there.

GOAL CHART POST OFFICE – WEEK #9

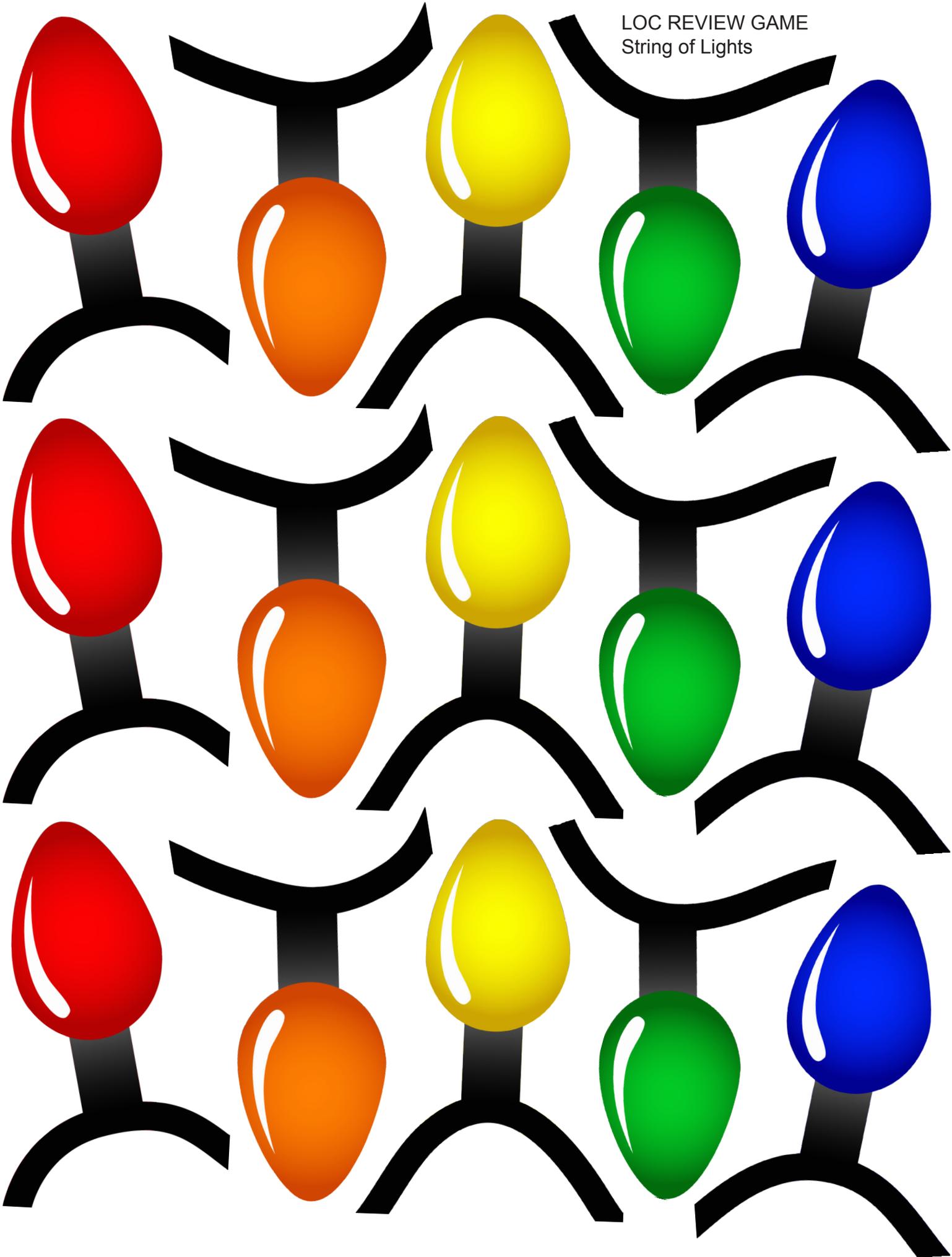
MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

Dear God, thank You for Miss Nicole and her outreach to the deaf people of Romania sharing sign language.

Dear God, help Miss Nicole as she studies and learns the language and customs of Romania so she can talk with others there.

Dear God, please help us and others to give money so that Miss Nicole will have the money she needs to live in Romania.

LOC REVIEW GAME
String of Lights



**God wants you to show
His love to those who are
different from you.**



- Jesus; "I have had food to eat you don't know about." Disciples were confused
- Jesus wasn't talking about food you eat with your mouth
- "My food is to do will of Him who sent me, and to finish His work."
- Just then Jesus probably saw the crowd the woman was bringing to talk to Him
- Said to disciples, "...Lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white and ready to harvest."
- Jesus was talking about people who were ready to hear the truth and believe in Him

FLASHCARD 3-6

- The people who came were eager to listen to Jesus; asked Him to stay in their city
- Jesus stayed for 2 days & taught them; when Jesus left the city, many had come to believe in Him
- They said to the woman; "Now we believe, not just because of what you said, but because we have heard Him ourselves..."
- "...And we know that this is indeed the Promised One, the Saviour of the world."
- Do you believe that Jesus is the Saviour of the world?

- Do you know you need Him to be your personal Saviour?

INVITATION

Romans 6:23 – "For the wages of sin is death (separation from God); but the gift of God is eternal life (a wonderful relationship with God that can start now & last forever) through Jesus Christ our Lord."

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BOW HEADS RESPONSE

CHALLENGE

G – Go over MT

GOD WANTS YOU TO SHOW HIS LOVE TO THOSE WHO ARE DIFFERENT FROM YOU

R – Review PAS verse Revelation 22:17 – "...The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that thirst come...."

O – Overview PAS examples

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

W – Will you do it?

LIFE OF CHRIST #9 John 4:3-42

- Jesus was tired; He had been walking all morning
- Was traveling with disciples from Judea back to Galilee. In between was place called Samaria
- In those days, Jews and Samaritans didn't get along. Most Jews would go out of their way around Samaria. But not Jesus
- He had a reason for taking this road home. What reason? Listen...

FLASHCARD 3-1

- It was lunchtime when they reached the city of Sychar; disciples decided to go into the city to buy food for their lunch
- While He waited, Jesus sat on the edge of a well to rest
- A well was an important place; people did not have water in their homes
- They had to carry a big jar to the well & lower a bucket into the deep hole in ground where it would fill with water

FLASHCARD 3-2

- As Jesus sat there by well, a woman came out of city to get water

- Jesus spoke to the woman; "Will you give me a drink?"
- Woman was surprised; "How is it that You, who are a Jew, ask me, a woman from Samaria, for a drink of water?"
- Why would it be strange for a Jewish man, like Jesus, to ask a Samaritan woman for a drink?
- 1st, in those days, men didn't speak to a woman in public
- 2nd Jewish people did not like Samaritan people
- The Jewish people thought they were better than the Samaritans

- A Jewish man would never speak to a Samaritan woman
- Even though their people hated each other, Jesus did not hate this Samaritan woman.
- Jesus loved the woman in the same way He loves everyone

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- Jesus loved the Samaritan woman, even though their people were enemies

MT – GOD WANTS YOU TO SHOW HIS LOVE TO THOSE WHO ARE DIFFERENT FROM YOU

- Jesus was showing love to this woman though she was a Samaritan

- Jesus said, "If you knew the gift of God, and Who it is Who asks you for a drink..."

- "...You would have asked for something from Me, & I would have given you living water."

FLASHCARD 3-3

- Woman; "Sir, you have nothing to hold water, and the well is deep; where are You going to get this living water?"

- "Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us this well and drank from it?"

- Jesus; "Whoever drinks of this water will get thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water I will give him will never thirst..."

- "The water I give him will be a well of water in him, springing up into everlasting life."

- Water that keeps you from getting thirsty? Woman must have stared. What was this Man talking about?

- Jesus knew what the woman needed most wasn't water

- She needed to have her sins forgiven. Jesus was the only One who could give that to her

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1 **Corinthians 15:3, 4** – **"Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures; and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures."**

- Jesus knew this woman needed Him; He told her about the everlasting life He could give her

- Woman; "Sir, give me this water, so I don't get thirsty and don't have to come here to get water."

- Jesus answer must have surprised her; "Go, call your husband, and come back."

- Woman was uncomfortable; "I have no husband."

- Jesus may have nodded, "You have told the truth that you don't have a husband. You have had 5 husbands..."

- "...And the man you are living with now is not your husband."

- Jesus knew all about her; exactly what sins she had done

- Jesus knows the sins you and I have done too

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Psalm 14:3 – **"They are all gone aside...there is none that doeth good, no, not one."**

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- Jesus knows our sin; He knew about the sin of woman that day

FLASHCARD 3-4

- Perhaps woman was surprised

- How could Jesus know all about the things she had done?

- Woman; "Sir, I realize now that You must be a prophet from God."

- Then she changed the subject; she didn't want to talk about her sin

- "Our people have always worshiped God on this mountain, but you Jews say that people should worship God in Jerusalem."

- Jesus; "Woman, believe me, the time is coming when you won't worship God here or in Jerusalem."

- "...The people who are true worshipers of God will worship Him in spirit and in truth..."

- "...God is looking for people like that to worship Him."

- Woman; "I know God's Promised One is coming, and He will tell us the truth about everything."

- Jesus answered in a few words, "I that speak to you am He."

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- Jesus told the woman that day Who He was

- Just then, the disciples came back; they were shocked to see Jesus talking to a Samaritan woman, someone who was different from them

MT, PAS – **GOD WANTS YOU TO SHOW HIS LOVE TO THOSE WHO ARE DIFFERENT FROM YOU**

Revelation 22:17 – **"...The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come..."**

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- The disciples were surprised that Jesus was showing love by talking to the Samaritan woman

FLASHCARD 3-5

- When the woman heard Jesus say He was the Promised One, she left her water pot and ran back to the city

- She wanted to tell everyone that God's Saviour was there, sitting at their city well!

- She rushed through the city; "Come, see a Man Who told me everything I ever did; isn't this the Promised One?"

- They began to follow her back to the well

- Meanwhile, disciples unpacked lunch; "Master, have something to eat."