

FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY

WHAT DID GOD SAY? LESSON 5

Objectives to be Understood: For children to know:

- 1) God made you to be like Him
- 2) God's Word is alive and true
- 3) God's Word is like a sword
- 4) God's Word has the power of life in it, and
- 5) to say what God has said.

ACTIVITY: Children will write in their books the Scriptures/Words God Said.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This activity is included in each of our 6 lessons with a different scripture in each lesson for children to receive into their hearts.

MATERIALS: Pencils; Markers; Stapler; Pre-made book template or purchased notebooks (see Preparation below)

Preparation: To MAKE A BOOK

Pre-make book templates for each child by folding two sheets of paper in half and stapling [two staples on the folded side so pages open like a book]; OR purchase lined notebooks.

Write out and post [where children can easily see] the following scripture:

***DEATH AND LIFE ARE IN THE POWER OF
THE TONGUE; AND THOSE WHO LOVE IT
WILL EAT ITS FRUIT***

Proverbs 18:21

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REVIEW:

Parent/Teacher Script: What does the power in God's Word do? *(Listen to responses)*

The POWER in God's Words is sharp and cuts like a big SWORD. God's Word changes things to life and good when you believe Him.

Did you know that God gave you power in the Words you speak also? *(Listen to responses)*

God put power in your tongue for you to speak Words that give life like He does.

The Bible has stories about God, and His power and how people who believed God used their power for good. The Bible tells you many things about God and yourself to help you to choose to live the way God planned for you.

TO KNOW GOD'S WORD

First, you must LET YOUR EARS HEAR GOD'S WORD AND BELIEVE IT.
Second, LET YOUR MOUTH SAY THE WORDS THAT GOD HAS SAID.
Third, Tell your mind to THINK ABOUT WHAT GOD HAS SAID.
When you think about what God has said, HIS WORD GOES INSIDE YOUR HEART. And your heart will help you love like God.

If you would like God, your heavenly Father to help you to know Him and the Words He has said, you can pray and say these words after me, or you can pray to God in your own words. Ready. Let's pray!

PRAYER

Father,

(Pause for Children to Repeat)

I want to know You

(Pause)

Will you help me?

(Pause)

I want to hear and believe You

(Pause)

Will You teach me to say

(Pause)

what You have said every day?

(Pause)

Thank You Father!

(Pause)

Will you help me

(Pause)

to think about Your Word?

(Pause)

Thank You Father!

(Pause)

Will You let Your Word

(Pause)

change my heart

(Pause)

so I will love like You?

(Pause)

Thank You for hearing me

(Pause)

and answering my prayer!

(Pause)

I love You!

(Pause)

Amen.

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LEARNING SCRIPTURES FOR OUR BOOKS

PARENT/TEACHER SCRIPT: Does anyone have something good to tell us that God did for you from His Word? *(Listen to the testimonies of the children)*

We are going to add a new scripture to our What Did God Say books?

(Show children the Lesson 5 Scripture and let children know these are some Words God said.)

Our new scripture is in the Bible book of Proverbs 18:21. It says **Death and Life are in the power of the tongue and those who love it will eat its fruit.**

What do you think God meant when He said, Death and Life are in the power of the tongue and those who love it will eat its fruit? *(Listen to Responses)*

Do you know why God put power in your tongue and the words you speak? *(Listen to Responses)*
He made us to be like Him. When Father created the earth, He put everything on it to make it ready for His children. Father made us to be His family so that we would rule and make the whole earth good. He planned for His children to speak words that bring life. And that life would be all over the earth. So each person has the power that God gave them to speak things that are good and bring life, or things that are evil and bring death.

Why do you think the devil has power on the earth? *(Listen to Responses)*

He gets power from bad and evil words spoken by people who don't understand that their evil words carry death in them. Many people wonder why their life is terrible when they speak words that go against God's good words.

This is why God told us that He made us with the power of death and life in our tongue and the words that we speak. And whatever words you are saying you will eat the fruit of the words you love to say. The fruit from the good words will bring life to you and others, but the fruit from the bad words spoken will bring death.

Let's say it boldly together: **Death and life** [pause] **are in the power of the tongue;** [pause] **and those who love it** [pause] **will eat its fruit.** Let's say it again. *[Repeat]*

Have you ever had someone to tell you they love you? *[Listen to responses]*

Your Father in heaven loves you with a love that is not like the love on earth.

What is the name of the love that Father loves you with? *[Listen to responses]*

His love is called agape love. Agape love is a heavenly amazing love.

Repeat after me! **God loves me** [pause] **and His Word tells me** [pause] **to say good things** [pause] **and speak life,** [pause] **like Father and Jesus.**

Ask children to take out their books. (CHILDREN WHO DID NOT BRING THEIR NOTE BOOKS, let them write their scripture on paper. Tell them to put it in their book when they get home.) (Provide notebooks for new children or make new book templates for this lesson.)

Write God's Words in your book.

You can read your book out loud and everyday declare or say God's Words so your ears can Hear His Words!

Every day pay attention and watch God do what He said because you believed Him, and you said what He said.

When you see that God has done what He said, write or draw a picture in your book about the good things God did for you.

And come tell us about it.

Let's Sing these Words God Said: (Sing to the tune of "If you're happy and you know it")

Death and life are in the power of the tongue.

Death and life are in the power of the tongue.

Death and life are in the power

Death and life are in the power

Death and life are in the power of the tongue.

(DECLARE!) And you'll eat its fruit!

[Repeat Several Times]

SONG: GOD LOVES ME!

(Sung to the tune of Barney Song) (Do motions to Song)

YOU LOVE ME!

[Point upward, then to self]

I LOVE YOU!

[Point to self and upward]

YOU MAKE MY HEART GO PITTER-PAT!

[Point up, touch heart, Clap hands as you say pitter-pat]

YOU LOVED ME FIRST

[Point upward, then to self]

AND I LOVE YOU BACK!

[Kiss your hands and blow kisses up to Father]

YOU MAKE MY HEART GO PITTER-PAT!

[Point up, touch your heart, then clap hands as you say pitter-pat]

I LOVE YOU FATHER!

[Lift both hands up and SHOUT]

Scriptures:

*Proverbs 18:21; Proverbs 17:27-28; Matthew 15:11; Matthew 15:17-20;
Ezekiel 37:1-10*