



OOPS! THERE'S A PROBLEM.

Day 2

Oops!!! The sad face reminds us that there is a problem!. It is called "Sin". Sin is anything that we do that hurts God, like lying, cheating, or hurting people..

The Bible says that everyone (this includes you) has sin in his or her life and because of it, there is a separation (like a big wall) between us and God (Romans. 3:23, 6:23; Isaiah 59:2)

Is there anything that can be done about sin?

Bible Verses

Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; Isaiah 59:2; Luke 15: 11 - 24

Bible Story, Drama

Option 1 *A Drama.* Tell the children that we are going to have a mini play and that you need actors to play the following parts: The son, the Father, Farmer, gamblers (2 or three) and farm animals (pigs, cows, etc)

Read (Narrate) the parable from Luke 15: 11 - 24. As you tell the story, let the children act out the parts (they can even say the words their character says). For fun and effect, you can even have them do the play in fast or slow motion. Play up the part where the son comes home and makes the confession to his father.

Summarize: The young son did a lot of bad things that hurt his father. But his father still loved him no matter what.

Jesus told this story to let us know that we have a lot of things in our lives that hurt God. These things are called "sin" and we all do them. Sometimes it is lying, cheating, saying hurtful things, ...and sometimes it is just wanting to be our own boss (like the boy in the story). The Bible says that we all sin, and because of it there is a separation, like a big wall, between us and God.

Option #2 *The Parable of The Lost Son With Cue Cards (attached)*

Can anything be done about this sin? Absolutely!

Tomorrow we will learn about what God did to forgive our sin.

Craft, Take Home Item

Divide the children into small groups (by age). Take digital or polaroid pictures of each child. Have them make an eight stick frame (using popsicle sticks) and then attach the pictures to them for take home. Peel and stick magnets would be great for the back of the frame. You can keep the frames to dry overnight and print the pictures at a local Kinko's etc, or on a home printer to bring back the next day. Lesson: Stress for them to have their face show what kind of emotion the father in the story showed when his son came home. (A big smile!!)

Prayer

Pray for each child by name if possible.

Music

Music about traveling, forgiveness, grace, God's love

Recreation

Target games like: Disc Golf, Lawn Shoe darts, Hula Hoop Ring toss. Stress that "sin" means missing the mark. (Missing the target)

Refreshments

Anything to do with what pigs might eat. Corn products: Corn Chips Corn puffs,