



Kindergarten-2nd

May 4-5, 2013

DATE

Timothy

LESSON TITLE

I Timothy and II Timothy (Pg.1400-1410)

WHERE TO FIND IT

Timothy learned about Jesus—so he could teach others about Jesus

MAIN POINT

schedule

Hang out with kids (10 minutes): Ask kids about their week. Get kids into groups and play games together.

Large Group (30 minutes): Model what it looks like to be engaged in large group. And don't be afraid to redirect kids who aren't!

Small Group (20-30 minutes): Keep kids in small groups until parents arrive. If you *all* have extra time at the end, you can review the video and songs together.

tips

Have kids gather back in front of the teaching area and watch the video from the lesson and do the songs together at the end of small group.

When parents come to pick kids up, they will get a quick review of the lesson along with the kids.

check-in/out

As kids leave, remind them they get to be teachers this week—like Timothy! Hopefully that will spark interesting conversations with parents.

large group heads up

Today kids are learning that they are never too young to follow Jesus—or teach others what they know about following him!



instructions

Goal: to equip kids to retell a part of God's Story, like Timothy

Why? We are never too young to show others how to follow Jesus.

Tip: Play up the idea of kids being "teachers"—pretend the construction paper is a chalkboard, give them the authority to stand up in front of the group if they want, even let them teach *you*.

small group

CONNECT

1. Tell us the best thing about your week. (If you've already connected before large group, move straight to question #2.)
2. Who was the first person to tell you about God's Story? (assure kids it's great if today is the first time they've ever heard about it)

REVIEW

3. Who taught Timothy about following Jesus? (his mom and grandma)
4. How did Timothy keep learning about Jesus? (he asked Paul to teach him)
5. What are some of the things Paul taught Timothy? (1. how to pray, 2. who God is, 3. how to tell God's Story, 4. not to let people look down on him because he was young, 5. not to be scared, 6. to tell the truth, 7. to be friends with lonely people, 8. that you don't have to look cool, etc.)

ACTIVITY

Timothy got to be a part of God's Story by following Jesus and teaching others about Jesus. Tell kids **THEY** can be teachers—and part of God's Story!—too, even while they are young.

- Give each of them a **piece of black construction paper and chalk**
- Brainstorm together: What are some of the things **YOU** can teach people about Jesus? (Anything goes, even today's story!)
- Have kids draw what they want to teach about Jesus.
- As they wrap up, ask them to share what they are drawing and **WHO** they want to teach it to.

RELATE

1. What else would you like to learn about Jesus?
2. Who could you ask to teach you? (make sure you tell kids they can read the Bible or ask a Kids' Club leader)

***Pray together, asking God to help each kid teach—and learn more—about Jesus this week! Ask them if there's anything they'd like to say to God, too.**

Extra time? Use extra chalk and construction paper to play Pictionary or hangman. Or play telephone and let kids think of fun phrases to pass along (depending on your group, you may want to ask kids to tell you first!).

LARGE group

special notes

Timothy started following God as a kid. He shows us we are never too young to follow God—or teach others to follow Jesus!

presenter tips

The Intro is designed to show kids how quickly they can pass on new knowledge. Think about ways you can insert your personality and make it really fun for your group of kids!

script

Hey everybody! Welcome to Kids' Club. It's great to see each and every one of you. Before we get started today, I need a volunteer to help me out. Can I get somebody to come up here and help me get started? (Call on a kid.) You're going to help teach us all something today. Think you can do that?

INTRO: WE HAVE TO LEARN BEFORE WE CAN TEACH

(Show picture of cat.) Okay, what's this a picture of? (Let kid say, "cat.") That's right, a cat. What I'd like you to do is this: teach us to say "cat" in German. Can you do that? (If the kid can, ask about French and follow the illustration in reference to that.) No? Why? Have you ever learned how to say "cat" in German? (Let kid say, "no".)

(Turn to the crowd.) How about the rest of you? Can you guys say "cat" in German? (See if anybody knows.) If not, say, "Well, I guess nobody has learned it. So let me teach you guys." Cat in German is "katze" (in French it's "chat"). So let's try this again, can you guys all please tell me....how do you say "cat" in German? (Let kids yell, "katze!")

(Act confused.) Wait a second...how come 10 seconds ago nobody could tell me how to say it and now you can all YELL it? (Let kids say, "you told us", etc.) That's right, I taught you how to say it...and right away you could tell other people! (To kid): Great job helping us today! You can have a seat.

TIMOTHY LEARNS ABOUT JESUS

Today, we're going to hear about a kid named Timothy. When he was young, his mom and grandma taught him about Jesus. And as soon as he learned about Jesus, he started to tell others what he knew.



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What do you guys think? Can you start following Jesus, even if you're young? (Let kids say, "yes!") Definitely! And can you even teach others about Jesus, even people who are older than you? (Let kids say, "yes!") You sure can!

PAUL HELPS TIMOTHY FOLLOW JESUS

Well, Timothy decided he wanted to learn even MORE about Jesus. So he asked a guy named Paul to teach him. Remember, Paul's the guy who told EVERYBODY about Jesus, even when he was in jail.

Now we're going to watch a video about Timothy. As you watch, see if you can figure out what Paul taught Timothy about Jesus.

Video: God's Story / Timothy

Wow, so what did Paul teach Timothy about Jesus? (Let some kids share. Here are some of the main things Paul taught Timothy in the video: 1. *how to pray*, 2. *who God is*, 3. *how to tell God's Story*, 4. *not to let people look down on him because he was young*, 5. *not to be scared*, 6. *to tell the truth*, 7. *to be friends with lonely people*, 8. *that you don't have to look cool, etc.*)

Yes! And when they couldn't be together for Paul to teach Timothy in person, Paul kept teaching Timothy through letters! Do you think God likes it when we ask people to help us learn about Jesus? (Let kids say: yes!)

WE CAN HELP OTHERS FOLLOW JESUS

The great news is WE get to be the ones to help other people, even while we are young and still learning. 1 Timothy 4:12 says:

SLIDE: 1 Timothy 4:12: Don't let anyone make fun of you, just because you are young. Set an example for other followers by what you say and do, as well as by your love, faith, and purity.

That means that YOU can show other people how to TALK and ACT like Jesus—even people who are followers of Jesus.

Remember, Timothy got to be part of God's Story by learning about Jesus, following Jesus, and telling other people about Jesus! And God wants US to be a part of his story, too! Even when we are young and while we are still learning things.

WORSHIP

Let's sing about loving and following Jesus now!

Music Video: Jesus Loves Me (learn hand motions to learn ahead of time)

Song: Come With Me (music video-learn hand motions ahead of time)



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PRAY

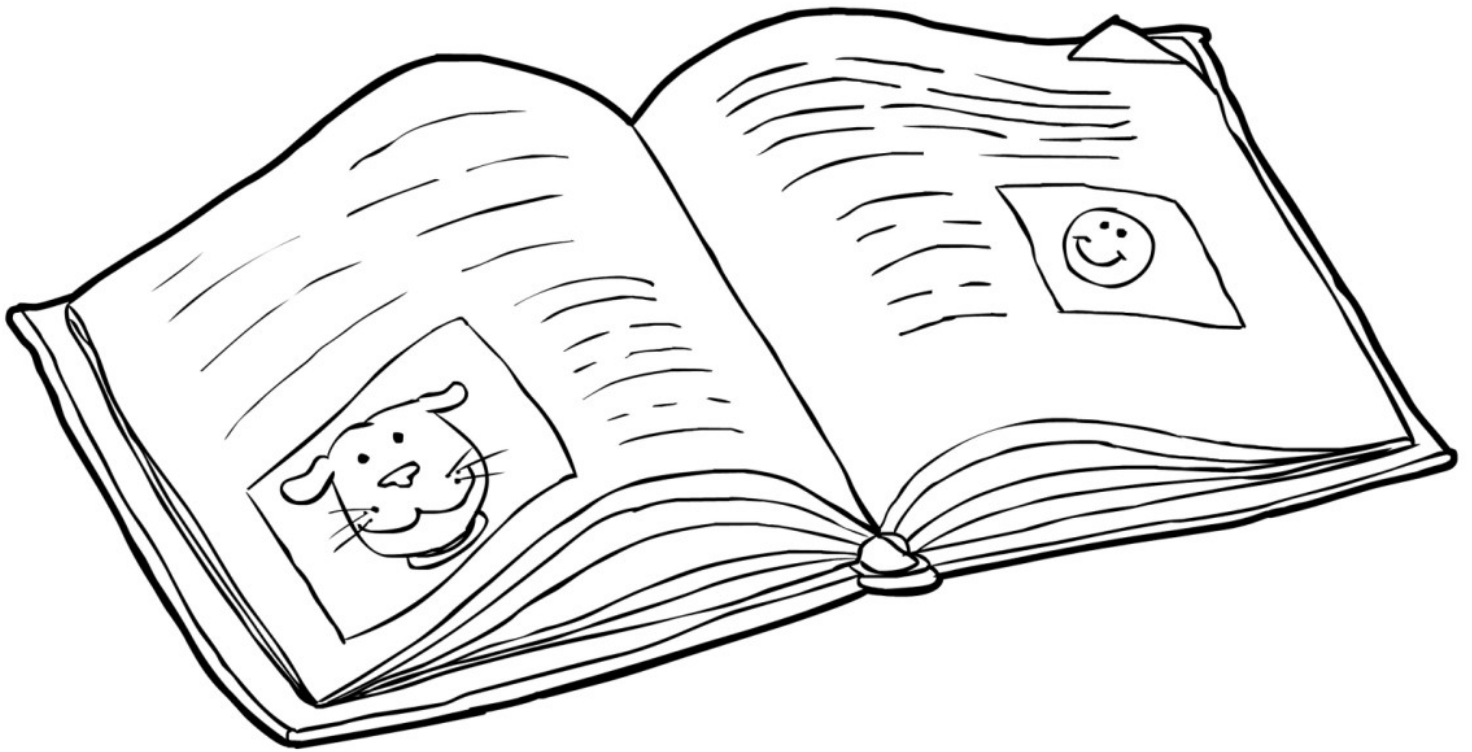
Pray for the kids. Ask God to speak to each of them—then spend a few seconds listening to him in silence. Wrap up by asking Him to help us teach others about Jesus this week.



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PREP needs



small group supplies

- Coloring pages
- 1 piece of black construction paper per kid
- colored chalk for each small group to share

large group supplies

Adventure Bible for Early Readers (pg. 1400-1410)

a/v needs

1. Image: cat (jpeg in curric folder)
2. Video: God's Story / Timothy (please remove the "study" intro from the Strong Journey)
3. SLIDE: I Timothy 4:12: Don't let anyone make fun of you, just because you are young. Set an example for other followers by what you say and do, as well as by your love, faith, and purity.
4. Music Video: Jesus Loves Me (animated version)
5. Music Video: Come With Me (music video)

special room set-up

None

connect questions

Tell me about Timothy.
When can you show others how to follow Jesus?

parent page

When Timothy was young, he started telling people about Jesus. But he wanted to keep learning more about how to follow Jesus, so he asked Paul to teach him. Then he continued to share what he learned with others—even people who were older than him. You can read about Timothy in I or II Timothy in the Bible. Or watch a video about him on CrossroadsKidsClub.net.