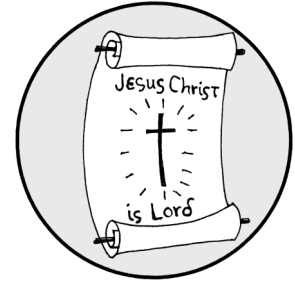


Lesson #4-34

Living Like Jesus

Philippians 2:1-13

**Key Verse:**

He humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.
Philippians 2:8

The Point:

Jesus' own life and death provides the foremost example of what it means to be humble and obedient for Christians.

Unit Theme (April 29 - May 20):

Living in Hope

Look to the Interests of Others

Learn to help each other.

You will need:

- † Bible
- † Hula hoop

Instructions:

1. **Last week Paul told the Philippians to tell others about Jesus. This week, he wants them to show other people what Jesus was like. Paul wants people to act like Jesus.**
2. **Let's listen to what Paul says.** Read Philippians 2:1-13. If you have younger students, you may want to focus only on verses 1-5.
3. **Paul talks about the people in the early church being like Christ. What do you think he meant by that? How did he want them to act?** [*He wanted them to help each other, love each other, be kind, serve each other.*]

Look to the Interests of Others (Cont.)

Learn to help each other.

4. **We talk a lot about serving and helping other people, but we do not talk too much about working together to do that. So today we are going to practice all working together to help everyone do something.**
5. Have participants line up and hold hands. Show them the hula hoop.
6. **Today you are going to work together to get your entire group through this hula hoop. But you have to go through all in one line, and keep holding hands the whole time. If someone falls, or someone lets go of someone else's hand, you will need to start over.**
7. Hold the hula hoop about a foot above the ground. Encourage the participants to work together, moving slowly and watching for when someone needs help. For adults or taller participants, move the hula hoop such that it is easier for them.
8. **You made it! Was it hard to get everyone through the hula hoop?** Allow answers. **Would it have been easier if you could have just walked through all by yourself and not had to worry about the other people in the group?** [*Yes.*]
9. **Paul tells us that we should be like Jesus, and Jesus helped other people. By getting our whole group to work together, you were helping each other just like Jesus would.**



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