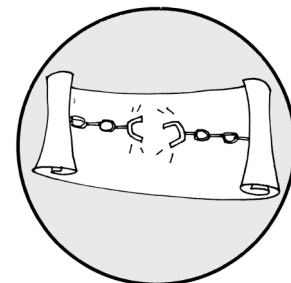


Lesson #1-37***Freedom from Sin***

Romans 6:1-14

**Key Verse:**

For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

Romans 6:14

The Point:

Through Jesus, we have new life where sin no longer rules.

Unit Theme (May 26—June 9)

Gifts of God's Grace

Sculpting God's Gifts

Making pipe cleaner sculptures.

You will need:

- † Chenille craft stems
- † Optional: a large piece of cardboard for each group

Instructions:

1. Let's take time to explore the text creatively. I am going to give each group a large pile of pipe cleaners.
2. Using pipe cleaners, create a sculpture to express what you think a life ruled by sin might look like. Show and explain your sculpture to your group.
3. After everyone has shared, take your sculpture apart. Using the same pipe cleaners, create a new sculpture that expresses a life ruled by God's grace and love. How does this sculpture connect to the gifts God has given you to share with the world? Show and explain your sculpture to your group.
4. Now, work together to turn your individual sculptures into a large community sculpture. What changes when your art is combined? What does it look like when our communal life is ruled by God's love and grace. Show and explain your group sculpture to the rest of the class.
5. Now select a group representative to bring your sculpture to the front of the class (using the piece of cardboard) and work with other representatives to create one very large sculpture. As we see this art, may we be reminded that God calls us both as individuals and a community to a life ruled by God's love and grace.