



Elementary
Week 6:
Choosing Your Master

Lesson Overview:

Scripture: Romans 6:11-23

Key Passage to Memorize: “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 6:23

Main Point: When we surrender to Christ as Lord and Master over our lives, He transforms us in His image.

Lesson time: 45 Minutes

Ice Breaker: 10 minutes while students arrive.

Introduction: 5 minutes to get students attention and to introduce topic.

Bible Reading: 5 minutes to read verses from the Bible and explain how to find them.

Application Activity: 10 minutes

Review and Pray: 10 minutes

Closing Activity: 5 minutes

Items Needed:

Ice Breaker: *Ice Breaker* activity sheet.

Application Activity: *Application* activity sheets circles cut out and hidden around the room.

Review and Pray: *Review and Pray* sheet, scissors, glue, and crayons.

Closing Activity: Memory verse sheet cut apart and tape.

***The Gospel, God’s Plan for Me* page and the images used in other activities are made and produced by LifeWay. The PDF can be found here:**

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Ice Breaker:10 minutes *Designed to get kids ready to learn, to get their attention, and to focus them in while others are arriving.*

As kids arrive invite them to sit on the rug with you and tell them that today we are talking about the greatest gift: Salvation found in Jesus and the gospel the message that tells us about Jesus' death and resurrection and how we can be forgiven. Take out the *Ice Breaker Activity* sheets and sit with the kids. Show them each icon and talk them through the gospel.

Introduction: 5 minutes *The introduction is designed to lay the foundation for what you will be teaching and where you will be in Scripture.*

Say: **Today we are talking about the greatest gift. Have you ever received a great gift?** Go around the room and let kids tell about the best gift they have received.

Ask: **What do you think is the greatest gift ever?** Let each child take a turn guessing.

Say: **We are learning about God's greatest gift, the gift of salvation through Jesus. Let's read in the Bible in Romans about God's greatest gift.**

Bible Reading: 5 minutes

Hold your Bible and say: **This is God's special book, the Bible. When we read from it, we get to hear what God is saying to us. Today we are reading from Romans 6:11-23. The Bible is divided up into two parts. The Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old Testament has 39 books and the New Testament has 27 books. The Bible is made up of 66 books that tell one big story about how Jesus came to save people. The book of Romans is in the New Testament.**

Find Romans in your Bible, explain how 6 is the chapter. It is the big number. After you find the big 6, read the verse. The verse is after the little 11. Explain that we will read through verse 23. Read Romans 6:11-23.

Say: **Romans talks about how we can be slaves to God and slaves to righteousness. It also talks about how the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is in Christ Jesus our Lord! That is the good news of the gospel, that we can find salvation and forgiveness in Jesus.**

Application Activity: 10 minutes *Designed to get your kids moving and to drive home the main point.*

When we surrender to Christ as Lord and Master over our lives, He works to make us more like Jesus. There are five pictures hidden around the room. Let's take turns and play hot and cold to find them. Who wants to go first? Play hot and cold and help each child find a picture of one of the gospel pictures. Do this until all five are found. Next have the kids sit with you on the rug and show them each picture. Have them help you put them in order. Go through the gospel again.

Review and Pray: 10 Minutes

Give each child a *Review and Pray* sheet, scissors, glue, and crayons. Ask each child to color the page then cut the strips apart, Next have them put the strips back in order. Go over the gospel and the order together, and glue the strips.

Dear God, thank You for loving us no matter what. Help us to tell others about Jesus. In Jesus' name, amen.

Closing Activity: 5 minutes

As children are preparing to be picked up, have them stand up and go over the memory verse together. Next give them each a memory verse scramble card and a pencil. Tell them fill in the verse blanks by unscrambling the words.

Copy the front and back of the take home page and give to each child. Point out the memory verse to their parents.