

SABBATH SCHOOL

Preteen Sabbath Instruction Program — Teacher's Outline

Level K • Unit 1 • Week 3

DAY OF ATONEMENT

OBJECTIVE:

To teach the students that the Day of Atonement represents the time when Satan will be put in prison so that the world can begin to live God's way.

ATTENTION GETTER:

Play "London Bridge Is Falling Down." Make a bridge with an assisting adult. While singing the following tune, let the children go under "the bridge" of your arms. The first time you get to "My fair lady/gentleman," drop your arms to capture a child and sing the rest of the tune.

London bridge is falling down,
falling down,
falling down.
London bridge is falling down,
My fair lady/gentleman.

Take the key and lock her/him up.
Lock her/him up.
Lock her/him up.
Take the key and lock her/him up,
My fair lady/gentleman.

Say: That was a fun game—kind of silly, but fun! But did you know there's a time coming when someone will be locked up in prison, and it will make a big, important difference for the entire world! When this someone is locked up, the world will begin to live God's way.

BIBLE LESSON:

Say: Why will it be easy to live as God does? After Jesus Christ returns to the earth, Satan will be

locked up so people can live God's way. They'll show love, kindness and they'll obey His law. People will be close to God—they'll be "at one" with God.

Say: Because we want to be close to God—"at one" with God—even now, the Day of Atonement is a time when God's people don't eat or drink anything. This is called fasting. We do it because the Bible tells us to do this on the Day of Atonement, and because we want to be closer to God. Fasting helps us to remember that we need God to take care of us.

Say: God wants us to be in His family. God wants us to be close to Him.

Ask: How can you talk to God? [Wait for answer.]

Say: That's right, you talk to God when you pray.

Ask: How can you learn about God? [Wait for answer.]

Say: We can learn about God by studying the Bible and listening in Sabbath school and church services. Your parents can help you learn by reading the Bible and Bible stories to you.

Ask: What things can you do to live God's way? [Wait for answers.]

Say: When you share your toys, when you help someone, when you show you care. All of these things are part of living God's way instead of Satan's.

PROJECT:

Make a "Living God's Way" chart.

Materials:

9x18 inch light-colored construction paper (one sheet for each student)

Photocopied page with pictures and words to cut out (see page 4)

Scissors

Glue

Small stickers

Do: Have students cut out the pictures and descriptions and glue them on their chart.

Say: These small stickers are for you to put on your chart when you do these things that are God's way.

MUSIC:

Sing to the tune of "Are You Sleeping?"

Are you fasting? Are you hungry?
Yes, I am. Yes, I am.
Hungry for God's word. Hungry for God's ways.
At one with God, at one with God.

Where's Satan going? Where's Satan going?
Some day soon? Some day soon?
He'll be in the big pit. He'll be bound in chains.
We'll be with God. We'll be with God.

MEMORY VERSE:

Romans 8:16 "The Spirit [itself] bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God."

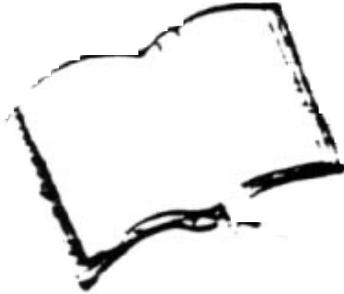
I PRAY.

I LISTEN TO BIBLE STORIES.

I SHARE MY TOYS.

I GIVE TO OTHERS.

I AM A FRIEND.



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THE POINT:

The Day of Atonement represents the time when Satan will be put in prison so that the world can begin to live God's way.

ASK ME...

About my chart. Help me remember to put up stickers when I do things God's way.

FAMILY TOGETHER TIME:

Discuss what each family member can do to show he or she is a child of God.

Talk about why we need to have Satan locked away so that people will be able to live God's way.

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