



Grace Church Elementary

Camp Grace

LESSON 19 SKIT

Principle: Man cannot keep law.

Bible Character(s): Moses

Scripture Reference: Exodus 20



PERSONAL PREPARATION: Before this weekend, please read Exodus 20. Look at

the laws given to Moses and the Israelites. Reflect on the difficulty of keeping these laws. There are some we can keep, but others are more difficult. This shows us that we cannot hold to God's standard and that we are in need of a Savior. In God's omniscience He gave us rules knowing we could not keep them in order to highlight our dependence on Him. God desires for us to acknowledge our need and that only one person could keep all the Commandments (Jesus). The Ten Commandments highlight our need and point us to Jesus. Spend time in prayer, confessing your sin nature and thanking God for providing a Savior to redeem you, since "we have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory" (Romans 3:23).



BIG GROUP TIME - 35-40 minutes

1) Run-through/Prayer

Run-through order of service (assigned parts, transitions, slides for music and skit, video if applicable, etc), assign door greeters, pray, mic check

2) Welcome Cabins

Band member says, "Welcome to Camp Grace!" before intro song

3) Intro Song

4) Camp Competition

Samurai Thumb Wars

Have one camper from each cabin come up to the front. Give each camper a piece of foil to wrap around their thumb (and make a long point at the top of their thumb). Pair the campers up, allowing one to have a "bye" if needed. Explain it is just like playing normal thumb wars, except the object is to

get the foil off the other person's thumb instead of just pinning their thumb. Winners continue, losers have to sit down. Continue rounds until you have one overall winner who wins the camp banner for the week.

5) Worship Set

Worship Connector

How many of you have rules at home you are supposed to follow? What kinds of rules do you have? (Allow responses.) God gave the Israelites a set of rules. While the Israelites were still in the wilderness, God spoke to Moses on Mt. Sinai and gave him the Ten Commandments. The Ten Commandments still apply to our lives today as a guide to living our lives the way that God desires for us to live. The Ten Commandments also help show us our need for Jesus because we can never perfectly obey God. As we sing this last song, think about how you need Jesus as your Savior.

6) Skit

God's Word

ProPresenter:

Slide 1: list of Ten Commandments

Slide 2: Picture of a pool with a rope going across the middle, separating the deep end from the shallow end

Characters:

Storyteller

Staff Member #1: Surfer Dude

Staff Member #2: Nerdy Lifeguard

Props:

Mirror

Script:

(Band leaves stage as Storyteller enters.)

Storyteller: Where could they be? Oh well, I'm going to get started, anyway. Hey everybody! I'm _____ and I'm here to tell you about the Bible, God's Word. I asked for a little help from two of my friends, but they must have forgotten.

Surfer Dude: (Walks in with shells and fake fish in his hair.) Whatzup little shoobies? Most excellent to see you.

Storyteller: We were just getting started. We were going to talk about the Bible. Whoa! What happened to you?

Surfer Dude: Oh, you mean why am I late? Well, actually, I decided to catch a few waves this morning. That made me a little lacking in the on-time department, dude. So sorry! I got here as fast as I could. There was this one wave, dude, which showed me who was boss. It came out of absolutely nowhere. It was crazy good! Anyway, this monster wave barreled on me. I cut back. I dropped. Then, I faded. The

next thing I know I'm getting a sand facial, dude. It was epic!

Storyteller: That might explain your new look.

Surfer Dude: New look? Shaw?

Storyteller: Well, you've got shells and, fish in your hair. The fish are beginning to smell, too.

Surfer Dude: Fish? Able to smell? This, I did not know. I need to tune into 'Animal Planet' more often, dude.

Storyteller: I didn't mean these fish were actually able to smell. I meant there is an odor coming from the fish caught in your hair.

Surfer Dude: Whoa?! Fish in my hair? (Pause and then laugh.) Oh dude, you're joshing me. You're trying to pull one of those camp pranks, right?

Storyteller: No, really. There are fish and shells in your hair. How can I prove it? Oh, I know....(Get the mirror and hand it to lifeguard.) Look for yourself.

Surfer Dude: (Looks in the mirror) Oh, dude! There are fish and shells in my hair!

Storyteller: I was trying to tell you that.

Surfer Dude: Thanks dude. I feel enlightened. I know the truth. Most excellent.

Nerdy Lifeguard: (Enters stage.) There you are, friend. I've been looking everywhere for you. I thought I'd meet you at your cabin, and we would walk over here together, But, you were nowhere to be found. (Snort) Looking for you made me late for this scheduled lecture on the Bible.

Surfer Dude: So sorry, little shoobie. I went out to catch a few waves this morning before the Bible story.

Nerdy Lifeguard: Waves? You can catch waves on Lake Swim-or-Drown? That's an interesting phenomenon.

Storyteller: As interesting as it is, we're here to talk about The Bible.

Surfer Dude: Oh, yes. That's right. I've prepared a powerpoint list of The Ten Commandments (Slide #1) for the swimmers to read and memorize. Just as I have the swimmers memorize the very important safety rules at the Camp Grace pool, they too, will memorize The Ten Commandments.

Storyteller: Why do we need the campers to memorize The Ten Commandments?

Nerdy Lifeguard: It is essential that everyone know and follow The Ten Commandments daily. I, myself, have memorized each commandment and try to live by them.

Storyteller: It's interesting that you would say *try* to live by them. Does that mean you fail

sometimes?

Nerdy Lifeguard: I must admit that as hard as I try to live by every single commandment, I do, at times, fall short.

Storyteller: I put something on the slides, too. I thought this picture of the Camp Grace pool (***Slide #2) could help us explain to the campers about the Bible, God's Word.

Nerdy Lifeguard: Oh, now this is a photo with which I am quite familiar. Would you like for me to explain the rules for swimming to the boys and girls?

Storyteller: You've explained the rules many, many, many, times before. We won't go over them today. But what you could do is tell us why you have rules for swimming in the pool.

Nerdy Lifeguard: The rules exist to keep everyone safe.

Surfer Dude: Dude, as lifeguards at Camp Grace, we spend all of our time reminding the shoobies of the rules. Daily, dude, we have little shoobies sitting on the edge for breaking the rules.

Storyteller: The campers who swim in the pool may intend to follow every safety rule. Some days, they may be able to follow all the rules. Other days, they may have to sit on the edge. But when they break a rule and they are in danger, who jumps in to save them?

Nerdy Lifeguard: That would be us. We are the camp lifeguards.

Storyteller: God wants us to obey His Word. He gave us the Bible to keep us safe. No matter how hard we try, we fall short. We all fall short because we are all sinners. When we break one of God's rules, we're like the Camp Grace camper who broke a safety rule and is in danger. We need someone to save us. The only One who can save us from sin is God. He is the only One who is perfect and holy. We need Him.

Surfer Dude: So, dude, you're saying that in the big pool of life, God's Word is like the pool rules. He wants us to follow the rules and stay away from the dangers of sin.

Storyteller: Yes. Look at the picture of the pool again. Can either of you tell me why there is a rope?

Nerdy Lifeguard: Oh, certainly. That rope exists to let the swimmer know where the shallow end of the pool ends and the deep end begins. It's for their safety. If someone has trouble swimming, they should stay in the shallow end. To go in the deep end would be quite dangerous.

Storyteller: God's Word is like that rope. If we follow His rules, we will remain safe. If we break them, it's like going in the deep end of the pool without being able to swim. So, God's Word keeps us safe within His boundaries for our lives.

Surfer Dude: Dude this could so be a game show! 'The Bible Is Like a...'

Nerdy Lifeguard: So far, we've established that 1. The Bible is like the pool rules. It is God's plan to follow for how we should live our lives. 2. The Bible is like the rope across the pool designating the

shallow end and the deep end. It sets a boundary for our lives.

Surfer Dude: Oh, oh, dude. I just thought of one more. The Bible is like a mirror. That's right. Earlier, I did not know that I was a mess from my surfing accident. (_____) schooled me that there were fish and shells in my hair, but I didn't believe. I had to see it for myself in the mirror. So, dude, when I read the Bible, I see the sin in my life. The Bible helps me to see who I really am and how much I need God in my life. The Bible is like a mirror. It shows me the truth about myself.

Storyteller: We can compare the Bible to many things. The thing to remember is that the Bible is God's Word. He loved us enough to give us His rules, His boundaries, His mirror so that we can know how to grow closer to Him. Thanks guys, for helping me explain the Bible to the kids. Let's dismiss them to their cabins so that they can learn more about God's Word. Will you pray with me?

Lord God, thank You for the God that You are. We are thankful that You care enough about us to give us a guide to live our life so that we can grow closer to You. Please help us to understand how to use this guide so that we can give You glory. Amen.



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