



Grace Church Elementary

Camp Grace

LESSON 49 SKIT

Principle: Jesus is God and man. Supernatural birth. We should worship Him.

Bible Character: Jesus

Scripture Reference: Luke 2:1-20, Matthew 1:18-25



PERSONAL PREPARATION: Before this weekend, read Luke 2 and Matthew 1:18-25.

As you read, look for the extraordinary events of Jesus' birth, and focus on the extraordinary love and purpose in His life. God chose ordinary people, Mary and Joseph, to be the parents of His extraordinary Son. Jesus was fully God, but He was also fully human and experienced life the same way we do. After His birth, the angels praised God for Jesus. The shepherds went directly to where Jesus was, and glorified God for Jesus. Their response to Jesus was worship.

How does it make you feel to know that although Jesus was God, He also lived an ordinary life on earth and understands what you experience? How do you respond to what God has done for you through Jesus? Do you have a heart of worship to praise God for this gift? Spend some time in prayer, thanking and praising God for sending Jesus to earth as our Savior.



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

Penguin Waddle

Get one camper from each cabin to volunteer. Give each camper one blown up balloon. The campers must put the balloon between their knees and walk from a start line to a finish line (can be from one end of a room to the other if an appropriate size). If the camper drops the balloon, they are out. The first camper to make it to the finish line without dropping or popping the balloon wins.

5) Worship Set

Worship Connector

What is the day that we set aside to celebrate the fact that Jesus came to this earth to save us? That's right, Christmas! Today we are going to learn about Jesus' birth, and we have a chance to worship God for all that He is and all the He has done for us. He gave us Jesus, His perfect Son, to live on earth and die on a cross for us. We can worship God not only right now singing, but everyday with our lives! Let's continue to worship God by praising Him for giving us His Son, Jesus.

6) Skit

Ordinary to Extraordinary

ProPresenter:

None

Characters:

Storyteller

Staff Member #1: Jetterbob

Staff Member #2: Ms. Bea

Props:

Books and papers

Table or desk

Script:

Storyteller: That was a great camp competition. I'm so glad you're all here, today. If you remember, last week, we talked about the person God sent to tell the people that Jesus, the Son of God, was coming to the earth and would save them from their sins. Who was that man? (John the Baptist.) Right. Now, did he live in a castle and travel around in a golden chariot telling people about Jesus? (No.) No, in fact, he lived in the desert, away from people; he ate locusts, and wore a camel hair shirt. He was a little different and maybe the type of guy that people wouldn't readily listen to. But, God chose him to be the one to prepare the way for Jesus. He used this ordinary man to do an extraordinary thing. Let's listen in on Jetterbob and Ms. Bea to hear them discuss this very thing! Pay attention to how God used very ordinary situations and very ordinary people to do something so extraordinary.

(Jetterbob is sitting at a table or desk with several books and papers around him. He is diligently writing.)

Ms. Bea: (Enters the room.) Oh, Jetterbob! I didn't know you'd be here in my office.

Jetterbob: Ms. Bea, I know I've made a mess of your desk. I'm so sorry.

Ms. Bea: I'm not upset about the mess at all. I know you'll do a good job cleaning up after yourself.

Jetterbob: Yes, Ma'm! That's why they call me Jetterbob, the janitor who's on the job!

Ms. Bea: Now, I just came in here to work on my food order for next month. I can do that later. You just go on and work on your project. I don't mind. (Pause.) Jetterbob, do you mind me asking what you're working on there? There sure are a lot of books.

Jetterbob: No, Ma'm. I don't mind. I'm studying everything I can find on Jesus' birth. I've borrowed all sorts of books on the subject. I'm taking notes on everything I read.

Ms. Bea: Oh, now, that's a wonderful thing to study. Are you studying it for yourself or are you preparing for something?

Jetterbob: Actually, the camp director asked me to teach a group of campers about the birth of Jesus.

Ms. Bea: That's wonderful. I know you'll do an excellent job.

Jetterbob: Oh, I don't know, Ms. Bea. I'm just good ol' Jetterbob. I'm an ordinary guy. I don't know why they would want me to teach such a spectacular story. I wonder why the camp director doesn't teach it, or someone else, anyone else. But, me?!

Ms. Bea: Jetterbob, why don't you tell me what you know about Jesus' birth? Now, don't worry about all the details from all the books you're studying. Just tell me what you know from the Bible about Jesus' birth.

Jetterbob: That will be good practice. I'll tell you what I already know and then you can tell me what I might need to study up on. Let's see, it all started with God. God is God, the Father; God, the Son; and God, the Holy Spirit. He has always been here. It was always His plan to one day send God, the Son to earth to save people from their sins. Prophets told people for a long time that Jesus would one day come to save them.

There was an ordinary, plain, young woman named, Mary. She loved God and tried to live her life according to His plan. One day, an angel just showed up and told her that God had chosen her to be the earthly mother of His Son, Jesus. She was amazed. She didn't understand why God would choose her out of all the women in the world. She was engaged to be married to a fella named Joseph. Joseph was an ordinary carpenter that loved the Lord and tried to live his life by God's plan. An angel came and explained to Joseph that he was going to be Jesus' earthly daddy. Joseph couldn't believe that God would choose him.

Ms. Bea: So far you've told me that God chose very ordinary people who loved Him to be the earthly parents of His Son. What else do you know?

Jetterbob: Well, after hearing the news, Joseph took Mary with him to his hometown, Bethlehem. He

had to go pay his taxes. While they were there, Mary knew it was time for the baby to be born. They tried to find a room, but because everyone was in town to pay taxes, there were no rooms available. They could only find a stable full of animals. Mary gave birth to Jesus, the Son of God, right there in a stable with animals all around. She laid Jesus down in the trough that was used to feed the animals. It was called a manger.

Ms. Bea: So, Jesus was born in a very ordinary place. Jetterbob, who were the first people to know that the little baby born in that stable was the Savior of the world?

Jetterbob: There were some fellas who worked as shepherds. They were just watching over their sheep like they would on any other night. An angel came to them to give them the news that the Savior the prophets had told them about had been born. They were so excited that they immediately ran to find this baby so they could worship Him.

Ms. Bea: Okay. So, you told me that the Son of God, the Savior of the World was born to ordinary parents in an ordinary place and that the first people to know of His birth were just ordinary shepherds.

Jetterbob: I know, I know! Now you see why I've been studying so hard. There's so much more I need to add to this story before I can teach the campers. It's just too simple. Right? In fact, I probably need to get me a nice suit before I teach so I'll look, you know, wise.

Ms. Bea: (Closes one of the books.) Jetterbob, you're ready.

Jetterbob: Oh, no, Ms. Bea! Don't lose my place in that book. (Reaches for the book. Ms. Bea puts her hand on Jetterbob's and pats it.)

Ms. Bea: Jetterbob, you're ready.

Jetterbob: No, I'm not ready. I just told you all that I know and it's just too simple. I'm not the person to teach this story, Ms. Bea. Why did they pick me?

Ms. Bea: Jetterbob, you told me that God chose an ordinary couple to be the parents of the extraordinary Savior of the world. The Son of God came into the world on an ordinary night like any other. He was born in a stable, with animals all around. He slept in a manger. You also told me that the first people to hear the news of the Savior's birth were ordinary shepherds. Jetterbob, that tells me that God takes ordinary people and ordinary situations to do extraordinary things. You don't have to be anyone other than who you are to teach this story. You don't have to add anything to the simple story of Jesus' birth. God takes the ordinary and does the extraordinary.

Jetterbob: God takes the ordinary and does the extraordinary. Wow, Ms. Bea, you're right. There's no better example of that than in the story of the Son of God's birth. I don't have to be anymore than what I am to teach this amazing story. I can trust that God will take the ordinary and do something extraordinary. Thanks, Ms. Bea. I'm going to return these books and tidy up your office. I'm going to simply use God's Word, the Bible, to tell this simple story to the campers. I'm going to trust that God will do something extraordinary with it. (Ms. Bea pats Jetterbob on the back and they exit in different

directions).

Storyteller: Jesus' birth was the most amazing thing to ever happen on earth. Yet, God brought His Son into the world in such an ordinary way. Jesus was God and He lowered Himself to be a helpless little baby. He came for us. He came to save us of our sin. Let's be like the shepherds, now. Let's worship Jesus and praise Him for coming to save us. Before we go back to our cabins, let's pray that God takes our very ordinary praise and turns it into something extraordinary.

Father, we are thankful that You sent your Son down to earth in such an ordinary way that we can relate to. Thank You for sending Jesus to save us. Help us to have a heart of worship for You right now. Amen.



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