

One Another

Huddle 9 – Teach One Another



SETTING THE ATMOSPHERE

As children arrive, collect the “In” slips and see which grade they are in for their huddle teams. Remember to check all slips to make sure children are to be in Up & Out this hour.

Team Time

Each team leader should spend time getting a conversation started within the team to find out more about each child. Spend time today discussing the following questions up front...

- Do you have a favorite teacher? What makes them your favorite?
- What is your favorite song? Or what is a song that gets stuck in your head a lot?

Huddle Teams

- 1st & 2nd grade girls
- 1st & 2nd grade boys
- 3rd & 4th grade girls
- 3rd & 4th grade boys

Opening Prayer

Leader prays for the group.

LESSON HUDDLE

Let's all come over together and get started this morning. Good morning, Up & Out! Where we look up (pause for the group to respond) **TO GOD** and look out (Pause) **TO OTHERS**.

We have 3 more “One Anothers” to go in our unit on One Another from the New Testament. Can you name any of the other “One Anothers” from the New Testament we have talked about? (Love one another, care for, be devoted to, serve, live in harmony with, share one another’s burdens, build one another up, bear with one another)

Today, we are going to learn what it means when Paul tells the Colossians to teach and admonish one another. Here is our verse:

“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.” Colossians 3:16

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It may sound weird to hear the Bible tell us to teach one another so I'm going to help explain what that means.

In your groups, some of you may have talked about the kind of music you like, or a song that gets stuck in your head. Who woke up this morning with a song stuck in their head? What song is it? Do you even like the song? Why/not?

Sometimes those songs that we repeat over and over in our heads are the most recent ones we have heard. Sometimes we haven't heard them in a long time and they just pop into our heads. Usually, they are very catchy tunes that are easy to pick up the rhythm and words to.

Think about singing the ABCs. How weird would it be to only say the letter names and try to remember the letters without the songs? And I bet you learned the ABC song when you were really little before you even knew what letters were! It was a way for you to begin to learn letters, and that letters make words, and words make stories and tell history and give us information. And it all started with a song!

What about in Camp Grace? Someone who went to Big Group during Camp Grace tell me what worship songs you sang. (First service Up & Out: just ask if they can name their favorite worship song from Big Group)

Why do we sing songs of worship to God?

Songs and hymns are words with music. You put the sound of music with words, and suddenly it's a song. Whether you hear it on the radio, in Big Group, or sing it in your music class at school, singing words is a way to remember them. One reason we sing songs to God is it's a way for us to memorize the truths of God's word! So when you have those songs stuck in your head from Big Group it's a great thing because it's a reminder to yourself about the character of God and what Jesus did for us on the cross.

That is what this verse in Colossians is talking about. Paul is not only telling us to teach one another, but he is also reminding believers that we teach and learn about the Bible by singing. Singing "psalms and hymns and spiritual songs" is a way to take God's word and remember His story, His promises, and His character. And we are supposed to do this *together*. That's a very important part of the verse.

Corporate worship, or worshipping with other believers, is a very important part of being God's people. We are supposed to gather together often to remind each other about what God did for us in Jesus. If we never met with each other, we would most likely not have as much heart change as Jesus wants for us. He calls us to be like Him, but it is hard to be like Jesus. If we believe in Him and what He did for us on the cross, but never saw each other it would be almost impossible for us to have any heart change. God works through His people to change others' hearts. If we don't meet with people, we won't know Jesus as closely.

Think about this the next time you are together with your friends in Big Group and you are singing songs together. You are teaching and reminding each other about all the promises of God! This is Revised: 10/24

not something we can do by ourselves. We need each other to remind each other about God.

Thank God with the children that we have songs to sing to God and He gives us the ability to worship Him in this way.

Huddle Up, Pray, & Break

ACTIVITY: Musical Memory Verse

Supplies:

- CD player or phone
- Beanbag/rolled up pair of socks

Directions:

Have the children stand in a circle. Instruct them to gently toss the beanbag to the person on their right while the music is playing. When the music stops, the child holding the beanbag will say the verse.

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ACTIVITY: Harmonica Craft

Kids can play along to worship music with these homemade harmonicas.

Supplies:

- 2 craft sticks (thick popsicles sticks)
- 3 rubber bands
- Construction paper
- Scissors

Directions:

Begin by cutting two strips of construction paper, 1" wide by 4-5" long. Wrap paper strips around each side of the craft stick near the edge with some craft stick still showing. Wrap a rubber band around the length of the craft stick. Place the second craft stick under the first. Using the two remaining rubber bands wrap the ends of the craft sticks together.



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