

**CHILDREN DESIRING GOD**  
**2007 Conference ~ April 26-28**  
*Standing on the Truth ~ How Great a Salvation*  
**Seminar 2:**  
**Preschool Lesson Preparation and Teaching**  
**April 27, 2007**  
**4:15-5:45 PM**  
(60 min. Presentation ~ 30 min. Work time)

- I. Introduction**
  
- II. OT Curriculum ~ *He Established a Testimony***
  - Lesson Preparation – Holly Urbanski
  
- III. NT Curriculum ~ *He Has Spoken By His Son***
  - Lesson Preparation – Connie Oman
  
- IV. Hands-on Work Time**
  
- V. Demonstrate Bible Story – Holly Urbanski**  
OT-Lesson #40 God calls Gideon and destroys the alter of Baal
  
- VI. Demonstrate Bible Story – Connie Oman**  
NT-Lesson #100 Jesus appears on the road to Emmaus
  
- VII. Conclusion**
  
- VIII. Questions**

Scripture: Judges 6

## Key Themes

- Man is sinful; he is unable to keep from sinning.
- God punishes sin.
- God hears His people when they cry to Him.
- God will not share His glory with another;  
He is a jealous God.  
Judges 6:10
- God communicates with man.
- God is supreme;  
He is sovereign and in control of everything.  
It is God who brings deliverance to His people, not man (Judges 6:15-16).
- Man is limited but God is unlimited (He is all-powerful).  
Judges 6:15-16
- God will not share His glory with another;  
He alone is to be worshipped.  
Joshua 6:25-27
- God is the one true God.

## Hooks

### HOOK

(Show the children an object that you can smash such as an empty plastic milk carton, an empty pop (soda) can or something similar. Do not use a glass object.)

I am going to smash this object. (Keep smashing it until it is quite mutilated. you might even want to stand on it at the end.)

There this is really smashed.

No one will use this again—it is so smashed.

Do you know that God told someone in the Bible to smash something?

I'm sure you want to hear that story!

## Looks

### LOOK:

(Show the coloring book picture for Lesson 40 and point to the angel.)

Who is this?

What did he tell this man, Gideon? [that God would save Israel from the people of Midian]

Why did God let the people of Midian take the food and the animals of the people of Israel? [the people of Israel disobeyed God; the people of Israel sinned by having other gods]

God and sin do not go together.

How many true gods are there? Right. There is only one true God.

Would your mommy like you to call me your mommy too? Would your mommy like it if you came up to me and said, "Hi mommy! I love you mommy. You are my good mommy."?

No. Your mommy would not like that. And God does not like us to call anyone else God but Him. God does not want us to have any other gods.

How many true gods are there? Only one true God! Our God is the only great and strong God!

### LOOK:

(Show the coloring book picture for Lesson 40 and point to Gideon.)

Who is this man?

What did the angel tell him?

Someone else told Gideon something too. Who else told Gideon something?

God tells His people what to do.

What did God tell Gideon to do?

Why did God want Gideon to smash the stone place—the altar—where the people gave things to Baal?

Was Baal the true God? No. Baal is just an idol who can't talk or see or hear.

(Psalm 135:15-17)

Only God is the true God.

Could Baal stop Gideon from smashing the Baal altar?

Is Baal strong like the true God?

Can Baal do anything like the true God?

God is the only true God.

God did not want the people of Israel to have any god but Him.

**Lesson #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Script.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Themes:** • \_\_\_\_\_  
• \_\_\_\_\_

**Hook:**

**Review:**

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**Lesson:**


**Lesson continued:**

**Summary:**

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**F-** Remove flannel piece (underline item)

 Read aloud from Bible

 Sing a song (list song title)

Ⓟ Pray

Use the following margin symbols as needed:

**!** Highlight theme (underline important words)

**?** Ask the class this question

**F+** Add flannel piece (underline item to be added)



## #40 Judges 6

### God Calls Gideon & Destroys Altar of Baal

- Man is sinful (unable to keep from sinning)
- God punishes sin
- God hears His people when they cry to Him
- **God will not share His glory with another;** He is a jealous God (*Judges 6:10*)  
He alone is to be worshipped (*Josh 6:25-27*)
- God communicates with man
- God is supreme; He is sovereign & in control of everything (*It is God who brings deliverance to His people, not man, Judges 6:15-16*)
- Man is limited, God is unlimited (*All powerful, Judges 6:15-16*)
- God is the one true God

**Hook:** (*Filled grocery bags*) “What if every time your family brought food home from the store, robbers came and stole it . . .  
So you went back and got more, and robbers came and stole it again . . . & again.  
Soon there would be no more food, & no \$ to buy more – that would be bad.  
In our lesson, we’ll talk about a time when God let this happen to the people of Israel.

Ⓟ Father God, You alone are worthy of praise, and You are worth knowing. Help us to learn what this Bible story teaches us about You.

### Lesson

? Before we begin, do you remember the 10 commandments? Let me read the first one.

📖 Read Ex. 20:2-3  
It said, “You shall have no other Gods before me.”  
That means, only worship GOD.

F+ But God’s **people**<sup>89,89b</sup> didn’t obey God – they forgot what God had done for them. They stopped worshipping God.

F+ They started worshipping **idols**<sup>242</sup> instead – They bowed down<sup>16,54a</sup> to pretend gods made of stone and wood and metal.

Oh children – that was wrong – that was **sin!**

! **God will NOT share His glory with another!** God won’t share His glory with people, & God won’t share His glory with pretend gods (idols).

! **God will NOT share His glory with another!**

So, because the people of Israel were worshipping idols instead of God, God quit protecting them from their enemies.

For 7 years, whenever the people of Israel

F+ gathered **food**<sup>250,251</sup>, or raised **farm animals**<sup>130,133,157</sup>,

F- enemies attacked and stole it. (*remove food/animals*)

Finally the people remembered God and cried out to Him; and God sent a prophet to tell them:

📖 *Read Judges 6:8-10*

God knew the people had been worshipping pretend gods – idols. God was angry. That’s why their enemies had been stealing their food for 7 years.

! **God will NOT share His glory with another!**

F- (*remove people*)

The people had sinned – but GOD had mercy on His people. God sent an **angel**<sup>12,12a</sup> to a man named **Gideon**<sup>32</sup>. God told Gideon to save the people of Israel from their enemies.

Gideon said, “Lord, my family is small and I am weak – how can I do this?”

God said, “I will be with you.”

? Boys & girls – Gideon can’t save the people of Israel, but who can? (*GOD*)

If God is with Gideon, GOD will save the people.

Then God told Gideon, “Your father has a big altar where the people worship a pretend god (an idol called Baal). “Tear the false altar down,” said God, “and build an altar to ME.”

F- Gideon was afraid of the people, so he did it at night, in secret. He broke down the altar to the **idol** called Baal. Then Gideon built an altar<sup>211</sup> to GOD.

F+ But Gideon’s **neighbors**<sup>90,91</sup> found out who tore down the altar to Baal. They got mad at Gideon – they got so mad that they wanted to kill Gideon.

F+ But **Gideon’s dad**<sup>18</sup> said NO – why defend Baal – if Baal is really a God, he can defend himself.

? Children – Was Baal really a God, or just a piece of rock or metal? (*ROCK*) Could the idol called Baal defend itself? (*NO*)

An idol can’t do anything – God showed the people that the idols weren’t powerful. NEXT WEEK, we’ll see how God showed the people that GOD IS powerful.

! Today we learned that **God will NOT share His glory with another!** God won’t share His glory with people, and God won’t share His glory with idols or pretend gods. **God will NOT share His glory with another.**

Ⓟ God – You are all powerful & You share your glory with no one – you alone are worthy of glory & honor. Help us trust You like Gideon did, and to obey.

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

## Key Themes

- Not believing that Jesus died and rose again is foolish
- Jesus is our teacher and is the best teacher of the Scriptures
- We can only see Jesus for who He really is when the Holy Spirit opens our eyes
- Being with Jesus affects our hearts and changes us  
    "Were not our hearts burning within us?" v. 32

## Hooks

### HOOK:

(Show an old picture of yourself (or someone else) or a picture in which you (or someone else) are dressed up so the children will not recognize you.) Do you know who this is? (Let the children guess a few names.)

It's me! You didn't know it was me, did you? You saw my face but you didn't RECOGNIZE me—my face looked different to you.

The Bible tells about some men who did not RECOGNIZE their friend, either!

### HOOK:

How did you get to church today? Did you walk? Did you ride a horse? Did you ride a camel? No. You came in a car. (You may want to show pictures from the Resource Packet.)

Today's Bible story is about two men who had to go some place, but who didn't have a car or a horse or a camel. They walked.

Let me tell you about the two men and their long walk.

## Looks

### LOOK:

(Show the coloring book picture for Lesson 100.) Who are these two men? Who is this man? Did the two men know at first that this was Jesus?

The men walked with Jesus for a long time. And Jesus taught them what the Bible said about Himself, but they didn't even know they were talking to Jesus. They didn't understand that Jesus was Jesus.

Can we see Jesus? No, but Jesus is with us, too.

Sometimes we forget about Jesus being with us. Sometimes we don't see what Jesus does for us.

Do you sometimes forget that Jesus helps you and takes care of you? Do you forget to thank Him, when you are playing, that He gave you [two eyes to see with; strong legs; a nice mommy and daddy...].

Is Jesus with us right now? What can we thank Jesus for today?

### LOOK:

(Show the coloring book picture for Lesson 100.) These two men were walking with someone very special—with the MOST special person! Who were they walking with? Did they know they were walking with Jesus? No, they just thought they were walking with another man.

When Jesus taught them what the Bible said about Himself, did they know He was Jesus?

After they got to the town of Emmaus, did they know that the person walking with them was Jesus?

What did Jesus do at the table? Right, Jesus broke the bread just like He did at the Passover supper. Then they knew that He was Jesus. Jesus had to show them that He was Jesus.

Could they recognize Jesus by themselves? No. Jesus had to show them who He was.

Do you think we can know Jesus as our Savior by ourselves? No. Jesus has to show us that He is the Savior. Can we love Jesus by ourselves? No. Jesus has to change our hearts so we love Him.

We cannot make ourselves love Jesus. We can only pray and ask Jesus to help us believe in Him and love Him.

(Lead the children in a prayer time for themselves and for others who need to believe in and love Jesus.)

**Lesson #**  
**Scripture:**  
*Betty Lukes, page* ( *storyboards:* )

**KEY THEMES**


**HOOK**


**REVIEW**


**LESSON**

**Scene:**

**I.**

**Scripture:**




## #100 Jesus appears on the road to Emmaus

Luke 24:13-35

Betty Lukes, page 230 (2 storyboards: Road / Room)

### KEY THEMES

- \* Not believing that Jesus died and rose again is foolish
- \* Jesus is our teacher and is the best teacher of the Scriptures
- \* **We can only see Jesus for who He really is when the Holy Spirit opens our eyes**
- \* Being with Jesus affects our hearts and changes us  
*"Did not our hearts burn within us?" v. 32*

### HOOK

#### Picture

Show an old picture of yourself (or someone else) OR a picture in which you (or someone else) are dressed up so the children will not recognize you.)

Q: Do you know who this is?

Let the children guess a few names.

It's me! You didn't know it was me, did you?

You saw my face but you didn't RECOGNIZE me--my face looked different to you.

The Bible tells about some men who did not RECOGNIZE their friend, either!

### REVIEW

Last week we heard a Bible story about Jesus rising from the dead.

Jesus is alive!

"Jesus is risen, as He said."

Jesus isn't dead. Jesus is alive!

An angel pushed back the big rock in front of the cave where Jesus was buried.

Jesus isn't in the tomb. Jesus is alive!

Jesus wins over death; Jesus is more powerful than death.

The soldiers guarding the tomb could not keep Jesus from rising again.

The stone in front of the tomb could not keep Jesus from rising again.

God is so powerful. Men can't stop God from doing His plan.

Jesus is alive!

### LESSON

Scene:  
*Road to  
Emmaus*

**I. Jesus' friends don't recognize Him as they walk on the road to Emmaus.  
(Luke 24:13-27)**

men (R)  
21, 22  
  
Jesus (R)  
1

The same day Jesus rose from the dead, two of Jesus' friends were walking to a town called Emmaus.

The men were talking about everything that had just happened to Jesus--

SUMMARIZE: Jesus' arrest, trial, crucifixion, and the report of the empty tomb.

While the men were walking, another man came and walked with them--it was Jesus!

**But the men didn't RECOGNIZE Jesus.**

They thought Jesus was just another man.

Jesus asked them, *"What are you talking about?"*

The men looked sad.

They said, *"Don't you know what just happened to Jesus?  
 Jesus was a great teacher who did miracles.  
 Bad men killed Jesus on the cross.  
 We hoped that He was going to save us but instead, Jesus died.  
 Now it's been 3 days since Jesus died.  
 Some women told us something amazing...  
 the women said the tomb where Jesus' body was buried is empty.  
 Jesus dead body is gone.  
 The women said an angel told them that Jesus is alive."*

The men walked with Jesus a long time.  
**But they didn't know they were talking to Jesus.**  
**They thought Jesus was just another man.**  
**Jesus taught the men what the Bible said about Himself,**  
**but they didn't even know they were talking to Jesus.**  
**They didn't understand that Jesus was Jesus.**

**Scene:**  
**Home**

**II. Jesus shows the men who He is.**  
**(Luke 24:28-35)**

bread  
 wine glasses  
 food  
 table  
 men seated  
 31, 33  
 Jesus, seated  
 5

When they got to the town Emmaus,  
**the men still didn't recognize that they were talking with Jesus.**  
 Jesus acted like He was going to keep walking.  
 So, the men invited Jesus to stay with them.  
 Jesus and the 2 men sat down at the table to eat supper.  
 Jesus took some bread, gave thanks to God, broke the bread and gave it to the men to eat.  
 This was just like the Passover meal that Jesus had with His friends before He died.  
 When the men saw Jesus take the bread, give thanks, and break the bread,  
**then they knew that it was Jesus!**  
**Jesus had to show them that He was Jesus.**  
**The men couldn't recognize Jesus by themselves.**  
**Jesus had to show them that He is the Savior.**  
 After the men recognized Jesus, Jesus disappeared.  
 The men looked at each other and said,  
*"When Jesus was talking to us we felt something in our hearts."*  
 The 2 men went back to Jerusalem and told Jesus' friends the disciples,  
*"We've seen Jesus! Jesus is alive!"*  
 The 2 men told the disciples how they didn't recognize Jesus until  
 Jesus showed them who He was.

-remove table  
 men (L)  
 20, 23  
 disciples (R)  
 88, 89

**APPLICATION**

**Q:** Can we know Jesus as our Savior by ourselves?  
 No. Jesus has to show us that He is the Savior.  
**Q:** Can we love Jesus by ourselves?  
 No. Jesus has to change our hearts so we love Him.  
 We cannot make ourselves love Jesus.  
 We can only pray and ask Jesus to help us believe in Him and love Him.

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