

LESSON 14

Jesus, Who Teaches To Pray

I. What children should understand:

1. Conviction

- Jesus always used to pray to his Father.
- 'Our Father' is the prayer taught by Jesus.

2. Attitude

- One should pray daily during important events.

3. Habit

- I pray when I get up in the morning as well as when I go to sleep in the night.

II. Teaching aids:

- A chart containing the 'Our Father' prayer.
- The song form of this prayer.

III. Presentation of the lesson:

Prayer is indispensable to our lives. We pray to God. Jesus used to always pray to his Father. (Narrate instances when Jesus prayed) We should also pray like Jesus always. What all things we can pray for! (Make children say these responses) Our Father is the prayer taught by Jesus. Show them a chart, pray slowly by saying each word clearly and giving necessary explanation when needed would be beneficial. It is advisable to take the children to the Church and spend some time in prayer.

IV. Activities related to the lesson

1. The prayer Jesus taught us.

Explain to children the importance and power of this prayer because Jesus taught this prayer. Some sentences may need explanation to the children: Train children to say the prayer with concentration and devotion.

2. Fill the columns

- when I get up in the morning
- before studying
- before meals
- before going to sleep.
- in sickness
- before going to school

V. Correlated Activities:

1. Write and pray:

Instruct children to write Our Father prayer in their book by taking help from the text book.

2. Questions

1. Which is the prayer taught by Jesus?
2. When did Jesus pray?