

Sunday School Lesson: One Promise, One Family

Source essay: `From Dispensationalism to Classic Reformed Covenant Theology.md`

Age: 3-6 years old

Length: 25-35 minutes

Main truth: God keeps one promise in Jesus and gathers His people into one family.

Memory verse: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." - Galatians 3:29, KJV

Teacher's Big Idea

This essay explains that the whole Bible tells one covenant story centered on Jesus Christ. For young children, the lesson is simple: God made a promise, Jesus is the promised Savior, and everyone who trusts Him belongs to God's family.

Supplies

- A Bible
- A family photo or drawing
- A promise card
- A cross picture
- Coloring supplies
- Paper chain strips

Opening Question

Ask: "Has someone ever made you a promise and kept it?"

Let children answer. Then say: "Today we will learn this truth: God keeps one promise in Jesus and gathers His people into one family."

Bible Time

Hold up the Bible and say: "God's Word tells us the truth about Jesus and His saving work."

"And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." - Galatians 3:29, KJV

Explain: "God keeps one promise in Jesus and gathers His people into one family."

Repeat-after-me phrase:

"One promise. One Savior. One family."

Simple Teaching

1. God Made a Promise

Teacher say: "God promised to bless His people through the Savior He would send."

Child repeat: "God keeps His promise."

2. Jesus Is the Promised Savior

Teacher say: "Jesus came just as God said, and He saves His people."

Child repeat: "Jesus is the Savior."

3. God Makes One Family

Teacher say: "Everyone who trusts Jesus belongs to God's family."

Child repeat: "We belong to Jesus."

Object Lesson

Show a promise card and say: "A promise is a word you can trust."

Show the family photo and say: "God promised to make a people for Himself."

Hold up the cross picture and say: "Jesus is how God keeps that promise and brings us into His family."

Movement Activity

- "God made a promise." Reach hands forward.
- "Jesus came." Take one step forward.
- "Jesus saves." Make a gentle cross with arms.
- "God makes one family." Open arms wide.
- "We belong to Jesus." Place hands on heart.

Repeat once with the children.

Short Story Illustration

Naomi was waiting for her dad to come home from work with the paper chain project he promised to help her make.

When he arrived, he smiled, sat beside her, and kept his promise. Together they linked the strips into one long chain.

At church Naomi heard that God keeps every promise He makes. Jesus is the promised Savior, and He gathers His people into one family.

Discussion Questions

1. What is the main truth today?

Expected answer: God keeps one promise in Jesus and gathers His people into one family.

2. What should we remember?

Expected answer: One promise. One Savior. One family.

3. Who helps God's people?

Expected answer: Jesus.

4. Is God's Word true?

Expected answer: Yes.

5. What should we do?

Expected answer: Trust and obey the Lord.

Craft or Table Activity

Make a paper chain family. Write one word on each strip: God, keeps, His, promise, in, Jesus. Link them together and let the children decorate the chain.

Closing Prayer

Our Father in heaven, thank You for Your true Word and for the Lord Jesus Christ. Help us believe Your promises, love what is true, and walk in faith and obedience. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Parent Take-Home Line

God keeps one promise in Jesus and brings His people into one family.