

Sunday School Lesson: Jesus Tells the Truth About the Future

Source essay: `The Olivet Discourse Jerusalem Judgment and the End.md`

Age: 3-6 years old

Length: 25-35 minutes

Main truth: Jesus knows the future, tells the truth, and calls us to be ready.

Memory verse: "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." - Matthew 24:35, KJV

Teacher's Big Idea

This essay reads the Olivet Discourse with near and far horizons. For young children, keep the lesson focused on Jesus Himself: Jesus tells the truth, Jesus warns and comforts His people, and we should listen and obey.

Supplies

- A Bible
- A temple or city picture
- A cloud picture
- A lamp picture
- Coloring supplies
- A watch picture

Opening Question

Ask: "Who always tells the truth?"

Let children answer. Then say: "Today we will learn this truth: Jesus knows the future, tells the truth, and calls us to be ready."

Bible Time

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

"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." - Matthew 24:35, KJV

Explain: "Jesus knows the future, tells the truth, and calls us to be ready."

Repeat-after-me phrase:

"Jesus tells the truth."

Simple Teaching

1. Jesus Knows the Future

Teacher say: "Nothing surprises Jesus."

Child repeat: "Jesus knows all things."

2. Jesus Tells the Truth

Teacher say: "What Jesus says never fails."

Child repeat: "Jesus tells the truth."

3. Jesus Says Be Ready

Teacher say: "We should trust Him and obey Him every day."

Child repeat: "Be ready for Jesus."

Object Lesson

Show the watch picture and ask what it means to be ready.

Hold up the Bible and say: "Jesus tells the truth about everything, even the future."

Show the lamp picture and say: "His people should stay ready and listening."

Movement Activity

- "Jesus knows all things." Touch forehead.
- "Jesus tells the truth." Point to mouth, then Bible.
- "Be ready for Jesus." Stand straight.
- "Listen to His Word." Cup hand to ear.
- "Trust Jesus." Place hands on heart.

Repeat once with the children.

Short Story Illustration

Ruby liked when her mother told her the plan for the day because then she knew what was coming next.

Her mother's true words helped her feel calm and ready.

At church Ruby learned that Jesus knows the future and tells the truth, so His people can trust Him and be ready.

Discussion Questions

1. What is the main truth today?

Expected answer: Jesus knows the future, tells the truth, and calls us to be ready.

2. What should we remember?

Expected answer: Jesus tells the truth.

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

Draw a lamp and a watch on the same page. Write: "Be ready for Jesus."

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

Jesus knows the future, tells the truth, and calls His people to be ready.