Oak Arbor New Church Sunday School: Lessons for Preschool — Kindergarten

Lesson 2.17: HELPING OUT — Matt. 7:12

TEACHER PREPARATION

Read over Matthew 7:12.

WORSHIP CIRCLE

STORY AND DISCUSSION

There was a time when the Lord was on earth that a great multitude of people followed Him. They had heard about the wonderful things the Lord was teaching, and how He could make sick people better.

After the Lord had healed many, many people, He went up onto a mountain and began to teach them. He taught them many, many things about how to be happy and to come to heaven. One of the things that the Lord taught the people was, Whatever you wish people would do for you, you should do for other people.

What are some things that you like other people to do for you? Do you think it would be nice for you to do those things for other people? Yes! That is a way to get you closer to heaven.

Do you like it when people help you with things? What are some things your mom helps you with? Your dad? Your brothers and sisters?

What are some ways that you could help them? One good way of helping people is to help them out with their work. I'm going to read you a story about a mouse who learned something about helping out with work.

[Now read "John Learns About The Fun Of Work"]

At first John didn't do any of the work. He just went off and did what he wanted to do. But that wasn't helping anybody, was it?

He found that if he did help out, even though it didn't seem fun at first, soon he could feel the good, happy feeling that comes when you have helped somebody. Whenever you help someone, the Lord and his angels come near and bring you a heavenly happy feeling. You'll feel good when you see what a good job you did, and when you see how happy you made the person that you helped.

[Now discuss with them ideas of something they could do to help someone today, this will help them have an idea for the project.]

RECITATION

Whatever you want men
To do to you,
Do also to them,
For this is the Law and the Prophets.

PROJECT

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For each child, have a blank sheet of construction (paper?) and write at the top "Today I will help _____."

Doing the project:

- 1. When the child has decided what they will help out with that day, fill in the blank with the name of the person that the child will help, and what they will help with. (Example: Today I will help *Mom to set the table.*)
- 2. Then have the child draw a picture of himself /herself doing the task. Encourage them also to draw "mom", (or whoever) showing how happy she'll be because of the help.

Example:

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