

AIM: Agents in Motion

Mission #3 Impact your Friends

The purpose of this lesson plan is to:

- Create a fun and interactive learning experience
- Provide teaching options in addition to the Leader Q Card
- Creatively revisit the Bible story featured in the teaching video
- Give kids an opportunity to further explore the application point

PROGRAM

Activity	Length of Segment	Running Time
Q Card: Discussion	15 minutes	Start-15 minutes
Picture: Bible Story	5 minutes	15-20 minutes
Play: Learning Activity	10 minutes	20-30 minutes
Plan: Group Commitment	5 minutes	30-35 minutes
Prayer: Prayer Cards	5 minutes	35-45 minutes

PREP

You will need:

- One dice per small or large group
- Paper and pencils (older kids only)
- Dry erase board, chalkboard, or large tablet
- "Bring a Friend Weekend" Invitations (optional)
- Story Props (optional)
- Prayer Cards (1 per kid)
- MAP Books (1 per kid)

PICTURE

(The Bible Story)

In this portion of your class time you have the opportunity to retell the Bible story presented earlier in the teaching video. The object is to paint a picture that kids will understand and remember. When telling the story, remember you are painting a picture for your viewers. Have fun and explore your creativity. Here are some ideas to make your storytelling more memorable:

- Try asking kids to act out the story as you read it aloud
- The characters in the story are: Jesus, Simon, Peter, Andrew, James, John, Zebedee
- You might use props or pictures: boat, fish, fishing nets

Jesus and the Fishermen
Matthew 4:18-22

One day as Jesus was walking along the shore beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers--Simon, also called Peter, and Andrew--fishing with a net, for they were commercial fishermen. Jesus called out to them, "Come, be My disciples, and I will show you how to fish for people!" And they left their nets at once and went with Him.

A little farther up the shore He saw two other brothers, James and John, sitting in a boat with their father, Zebedee, mending their nets. And He called them to come, too. They immediately followed Him, leaving the boat and their father behind.

PLAY

(Learning Activity)

In this portion of your class time you will lead your class in a fun and exciting activity that will help your kids apply the Bible lesson to their everyday lives.

"Everyone's on a Search - Roll Your Friends to Church"

HOW TO START:

- Small or Large Group: Divide kids into 2-4 teams
- Write the following on a board or large tablet:
Name a friend you know from
 - 1 - Family
 - 2 - School
 - 3 - Neighborhood
 - 4 - Sports
 - 5 - Activities
 - 6 - Anywhere

HOW TO PLAY:

- Say, "This game is called 'Everyone's on a Search - Roll Your Friends to Church.' This game will help us to think of all the different friends we can invite to church."
- Begin Round #1: One player from each team plays in round #1
- Hand each player a paper and pencil (older kids only)
- Say together, "Everyone's on a search - Roll your friends to church"
- Roll the dice
- Say the number rolled and the corresponding category out loud (ex: "#1 - Name a friend you know from your family")
- The players each think of a friend that matches the category and writes the person's name on their papers (younger kids say the name only)
- First player to write (or say) a name wins the round
- Award the player the amount shown on the dice
- Ask BOTH players, "Share one thing about the friend you wrote down." (What do you like to do together? What is he/she like? What is he/she interested in?)

- Repeat all steps for more rounds as time and interest permit

PLAY OPTIONS:

- Hand out game prizes to all players
- For younger kids: Kids say the names instead of writing them
- Bonus Activity: Set a date for a "Bring a Friend Weekend" at your church. Make an invitation/flier to give the kids. Challenge the kids to use the invitations to invite their friends to "Bring a Friend Weekend." (When making the invitation/flier it is helpful to include the following: RSVP with spaces for the kids to write their names, parents' name(s), and phone numbers, dates, church info/directions, and a space for kids to indicate which service they will be attending)

PLAN

(Group Commitment)

In this portion of your class time you have the opportunity to lead your group to make a commitment. You may select any ONE of the options provided or your group may create its own. Encourage the kids to write their commitments on their Prayer Cards so you can be praying for them during the week.

Commitment Options:

- Invite a friend to come to church with you next week.
- Think of 2 friends you know who do not know Jesus. Pray for them this week.
- Go out of your way to be friendly to new kids who may come to church next week. Think of ways to help them feel comfortable and loved.

PRAYER

In this portion of your class time, have your kids fill out the Prayer Card. Take the cards home and pray for your kids throughout the week. End your time together by praying for your group commitment.

Hand out prayer cards

- Ask kids to fill in their commitments in the space provided
- Ask kids to fill in their prayer requests in the space provided
- Collect cards so you can take them home and pray for your kids
- Close in prayer

God, thank you for this church that You have given us where we can worship You and learn more about You each week. Help us to be bold this week and ask our friends to come to church with us. We want our friends to know about Jesus and how much You love them God. Help us to make an impact by doing the things we have committed to do this week. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Remember to...

- Hand out the MAP Books
- Encourage kids to complete at home with an adult and bring back next week!