

K-ONE CURRICULUM

RESPONSIBILITY

Verse of the Month: Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much (Luke 16:10)

Bible Story: Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30)

Bottom Line: When you can be trusted with a little, you can be trusted with a lot.

BEFORE LARGE GROUP

Early Arriver Idea

SUPPLIES:

- Pipe cleaners – 3 per kid
- Playdough – 1 container per group

HOW-TO:

1. Give each kid three pipe cleaners to create their own game piece.
2. Have them pinch off some playdough and push their figure into it so their figure stands up.
3. As they're working, ask them some "HIGH FIVE" questions below

HIGH FIVE (Optional Conversation Starters):

1. It's September! Does anyone have a birthday this month?
2. How's everyone liking school so far?
3. What's your favorite video game to play?
4. If you could be in any video game, which one would you be in and who would you be?
5. Would you rather do tons of schoolwork during the day at school and have no homework, or play all day at school and have tons of homework?

NOTE: Collect all the pipe cleaner creations and tell the kids that they'll use them again after

Large Group!

HEAD TO LARGE GROUP > > >

AFTER LARGE GROUP

Bible Story and Bottom-Line Review

SUPPLIES:

- Bottom Line Review (Activity Page Game Board, 11" x 17") – 1 per group
- Bottom Line Review 2 (Activity Page Questions and Scenarios) – 1 per group
- Die – 1 per group (preferably a large die)
- Game pieces from Early Arriver

HOW-TO:

1. Lay the game board in the center of your group. Have each kid put their game piece on "START."
2. Have everyone roll the die. The kid with the highest roll will go first.
3. Read a question or scenario from the Activity Page aloud and then ask, "Could you be trusted with a lot OR not?"
4. If a kid answers correctly, they get to roll the die and move their game piece that number of spaces.
5. The game continues around the group. Whoever crosses the finish line first wins!

SAY THIS:

What's something that you are responsible for at home? Do you feel like you do a good job taking care of it? Do you feel like you could be trusted with a lot or not? Let's say our Bottom Line together:

[Bottom Line] When you can be trusted with a little, you can be trusted with a lot.

Today in Treasure Cove we learned that [Bottom Line] When you can be trusted with a little, you can be trusted with a lot.

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If you haven't had a chance to pray with your small group yet, take the time now.

Prayer

Be sensitive to any visitor during this activity, and don't ask them to pray out loud if they're not comfortable.

SUPPLIES:

- No supplies needed

HOW-TO:

1. Have the kids lie on their bellies facing you, and lead them through the prayer below.

SAY THIS:

Dear God,

Thank you so much for loving us. Thank you for showing us how important it is to be responsible. And even if it seems like something small now, we know that when we can be trusted with a little, one day we can be trusted with a lot. We love you. Amen.

Verse Activity

SUPPLIES:

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•Bible, marked with a sticky note at Luke 16:10 – 1 per group

•Verse Activity Page – 1 per group

HOW-TO:

LEARN IT! (Find the verse and understand what it means.)

The Bible is full of wisdom from God. Let's look up our verse to learn what God says about being responsible for things he's trusted us to take care of.

1. Have a kid open the marked Bible to Luke 16:10.
2. Point out "Luke" at the top of the page and the large number 16 at the start of the chapter.
3. Have another kid find the small number 10 and place the sticky note underneath the verse. Explain that Luke 16:10 is like the verse's address—it tells us exactly where to find the verse in the Bible.
4. Read the verse aloud. Pre-readers can repeat after you.

LOCK IT! (Memorize the verse to lock it in our hearts.)

It's important to lock the verse in our hearts. One way we do that is with these motions and this activity.

1. Review the motions below.
2. Repeat the verse in a new way together! On "very little," have the kids squat down into tiny balls. Then they'll pop back up, and on "much," jump as high as they can with their arms outstretched.

MOTIONS

Whoever (point out around the room)

can be trusted (lock hands like you are shaking hands with yourself)

with very little (hold thumb and index finger close together, a typical sign for something really small)

can also be trusted (lock hands like you are shaking hands with yourself)

with much. (spread arms wide)

Luke 16:10

SAY THIS:

LIVE IT! (Apply the verse to the way we live every day.)

Now that we've learned the verse and locked it in, we need to live it out. Living out the verse is knowing what it means and applying it to the way we live every day.

Do you know what "trust" means? It means that others can depend on us. Think about your bedtime. If you're responsible for going to bed NOW instead of staying up late, goofing off, or getting up three

times for water, then later on you might get a later bedtime. When we take responsibility for small things now, we show that we can be trusted with bigger things later on.