

Transition Class

WEEK EIGHT

Reviewed Week One: ***PRAY Silently in Preparing for Worship***

What is **prayer**? Talking to God...

What does **prepare** mean? Getting ready

What does **worship** means? To show and tell God how much we love and appreciate him

Why do we want to worship our Lord?

1 Chronicles 16:25-36: “*For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised...*”

Reviewed Week Two: **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We are prepared to worship...Now we are ready to be **called to worship**

Reviewed Week Three: **Prayer of Adoration, Invocation, and Illumination...**

What does **adore** mean? To admire or want to be devoted to, to really like...

Why types of things make God great? Why should we adore Him?

Why do we want to know more about God and what He is like? Because He loves us and wants us to know Him better...(Psalm 139:14,17-18; Mark 10:14-16; John 3:16)

Reviewed Week Four: **Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs...**

Why do we sing Hymns?

Singing to our Lord is a form of worship

We are repeating what we know and love about Him in the form of a song

Do we have to sing well in order to sing songs to our Lord?

No. Our heart should be singing through our mouth. When the heart sings it is ALWAYS beautiful to our Lord!

Reviewed Week Five: **The Ministry of God's Word**

What is the Bible? God's Word...it is precious...God wants us to read and to know it...God wants us to memorize parts of it and to put it in our hearts!

It tells us what God wants us to know...

It tells of us Creation and Adam and Eve

It tells us of Noah and the Ark

It tells us of David and Goliath

It tells us of Daniel and the Lion's Den

Best of all of it tell us of Jesus!

Our pastor opens the Bible and talks to us from God's Word, the Bible.

When he does this we need to listen as best we can with God's help!

Reviewed Week Six: **Offertory** (Luke 6:38; Luke 21:1-4; Mark 12:41-44)

This is when we give back a portion to God of all that He has given us
Everything belongs to God, even our money!

- our time and talents (things we do well) also belong to God

God wants us to give a TITHE (a tenth)

[we discussed that God gives us money and we show how much we trust Him by giving Him at least a TENTH of it back to him]

Giving to God during the offertory is a form of WORSHIP

Review Words: TITHE, STEWARDSHIP (taking care of and being responsible for what He has given us – a big word for a 5 year old)

We practiced passing the offering plate carefully down the row – one of our deacons came and helped us with this.

Reviewed Week Seven: **Hymn of Commitment**

After the sermon, this is a song we sing to “commit” ourselves to serving God. The pastor has encouraged us from the Word of God. This song helps to encourage us to go out, trust God to help us live for Him, and to help our heart be excited about what we have heard in the sermon (The ministry of God’s Word) today.

Psalm 37:5 – “Commit your way to the Lord, trust also in Him, and He will do it.”

Proverbs 3:5,6 – “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight.”

Week Eight: **Benediction & Doxology** (done at the end of the worship service)

Benediction: A prayer offered by our pastor for God’s blessing on what we have heard and on us as we go to serve and love Him as we leave the worship service.

Doxology: A brief expression of praise or glory to God
We read Psalm 150 as a doxology today

Our pastor provided the children a tour of the pulpit area to help take some of the mystery out of their seeming to just appear there during the beginning of the service.

We, again, practiced:

Walking quietly into church

Sitting quietly and not disturbing others

Learning to use the children’s bulletin

Listening to our pastor preach

Interacting with others respectfully and lovingly

Passing the offering plate carefully

We have enjoyed all of your children. In fact, we have cherished the time we have had with them. We have been amazed at the difference in their worshipful behavior and their understanding of it as we have progressed through these eight weeks.

Continue to remember that they are young, a beautiful work in progress... parenting is a process...as they show immaturity at times, remember, God is still preparing their hearts toward the more perfect worship experience!