

SABBATH SCHOOL

Preteen Sabbath Instruction Program — Teacher's Outline

Level 3 • Unit 1 • Week 4

FEAST OF TABERNACLES/LAST GREAT DAY

OBJECTIVE:

To learn about the privileges that will be available to us during the Millennium, the period represented by the Last Great Day and throughout eternity.

ATTENTION GETTER:

Materials Needed:

- Four sheets poster board (or two sheets each cut in half)
- Permanent marker
- Sandpaper
- Flannel board
- Card stock or 3x5 index cards
- Glue
- Sharpened pencils (one for each student)
- Crayons, markers or colored pencils

Prepare in Advance:

Copy or write the following four future events onto card stock or cards for each student and yourself:

- Christ Will Return
- Millennium
- Satan Will Be Bound
- Second Resurrection

Glue a small piece of sandpaper on the back of one set of cards. (so they will attach to the flannel board.)

Copy or write the following four Holy Days onto just one set of cards:

- Feast of Trumpets
- Day of Atonement
- Feast of Tabernacle
- Last Great Day

Glue a small piece of sandpaper to the back of this set of Holy Day cards.

Write out the following verses on the poster board:

Isaiah 35:1

Isaiah 35:5-6

Isaiah 11:6-8

Isaiah 11:9b

Do: Give each student a set of the future events cards and a sharpened pencil. Hold up your set of the future events cards. Read each card aloud to the class.

Say: Now what you need to do is lay the four cards out in front of you and place them in the order in which they will occur, or happen. What event will be first, second, third and fourth?

BIBLE LESSON:

Ask: Who can share with the class the first event that will occur?

Do: Allow a student to answer. Place the card "Christ Will Return" on the flannel board.

Say: Yes, the first of our four events that will occur is that Christ will return. When Christ returns to earth the first resurrection will take place. This resurrection will be to eternal life.
(1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Revelation 5:10; 20:5-6.)

Ask: What Holy Day do we observe that teaches about Christ's return?

Do: Allow the students to answer. Place "Feast of Trumpets" under "Christ Will Return."

Say: Great! The Feast of Trumpets is the Holy Day that teaches us of Christ's return to earth. Now I would like you to write "Feast of Trumpets" on the back of the card "Christ Will Return."
(Leviticus 23:23-25.)

Ask: Who can tell the class the next event that will occur?

Do: Allow a student to answer. Display the card "Satan Will Be Bound" on the flannel board next to the card "Christ Will Return."

Say: Yes, the next of our events to occur will be that Satan will be bound. (Revelations 20:1-3.)

Ask: What Holy Day do we observe to celebrate this wonderful event?

Do: Allow the students to answer. Place "Day of Atonement" under the "Satan Will Be Bound" card.

Say: Wonderful! The Day of Atonement is the Holy Day that teaches us about Satan being bound for 1,000 years. Now write "Day of Atonement" on the back of the card "Satan Will Be Bound."
(Leviticus 23:26-32.)

Say: Okay, let's review quickly. First, Christ will return to earth and the first resurrection will occur. Next, Satan will be bound for 1,000 years.

Ask: Who can share with the class the next event that will occur?

- Do: Allow a student to answer. Place the card "Millennium" on the flannel board, next to the "Satan Will Be Bound" card.
- Say: Yes, the Millennium will begin after Satan is bound. This will be the time when those who have remained faithful and true to God and Jesus Christ will be allowed to live and reign with Jesus Christ 1,000 years! (Revelation 20:4-6.)
You have the wonderful opportunity to be one of God's elect who will be changed to a spirit being at Christ's return. You have the opportunity to live and reign with Christ 1,000 years! God is teaching you His truth now, preparing you to be a spirit being, a part of His family! If you continue to be faithful and work hard to obey God, you will be in the Millennium!
- Say: Let's look at a couple of scriptures from the Bible that tell us about the Millennium.
- Do: Display the poster of Isaiah 35:1 and read the scripture aloud to the class. Also display the poster of Isaiah 35:5-6 and read the scripture aloud to the class.
- Say: At the beginning of the Millennium God and Christ will restore the earth and heal human beings.
- Ask: What will you be doing in the Millennium?
- Do: Allow the students to give their thoughts and opinions.
- Say: While we are living and reigning with Christ 1,000 years, WE WILL BE BUSY! You will be helping and teaching those human beings who survived the difficulties just prior to the Millennium. You have the wonderful privilege of helping others become part of God's family. You will teach them God's way. God may even have you working together directly with Noah, Moses, Joshua, Ruth or Daniel. Think how very pleased God will be with you if you are there in the Millennium teaching others His truth.
- Do: Display the poster of Isaiah 11:6-8 and read the scripture aloud to the class.
- Say: The entire world will be at true peace. Every living thing will reflect God's perfect love and concern. I think we all look forward to the nature of animals changing. The Millennium is truly going to be an exciting and fun time!
- Ask: What exciting and fun festival do we observe that teaches about the millennial reign of Christ?
- Do: Allow the students to answer. Place "Feast of Tabernacles" on the flannel board under the "Millennium" card.
- Say: Great! Yes, the Feast of Tabernacles helps us to learn about the Millennium and our fabulous opportunity to be there! Now write "Feast of Tabernacles" on the back of the "Millennium" card. (Leviticus 23:33-38.)
- Ask: Who can share with the class the fourth and final event that will occur?
- Do: Allow a student to answer. Place the card "Second Resurrection" next to the "Millennium" card on the flannel board.
- Say: Yes, the next of our events to occur after the Millennium will be the second resurrection. This resurrection will be to physical life. (Ezekiel 37:3-6, 11; Revelations 20:12-13.)
- Ask: What Holy Day do we observe that teaches us about this tremendous event?

Do: Allow the students to answer. Place “Last Great Day” under the “Second Resurrection” card on the flannel board.

Say: Yes, the Last Great Day is the Holy Day that we observe that teaches us about the second resurrection—the time when those who have never known God’s truth will now have the opportunity to live His way.

Ask: What will you be doing during this part of God’s plan, when your friends that have not known God’s truth are resurrected?

Do: Display Isaiah 11:9b and read the scripture aloud to the class.

Ask: How is God’s knowledge going to cover the earth like the waters cover the sea?

Say: You will continue working with people. During the 1,000 years in the Millennium God and Christ will have prepared for this fabulous time—a time when millions of people will live again. You will be busy teaching your friends and many others about God’s Holy Days, commandments and laws. God will open their minds so they can understand His truth, just like He has already done for you. Eventually, God’s truth and way of life will be followed everywhere on the earth. (Ezekiel 36:26-27.)

Let’s review our four events. First, Christ will return to earth, pictured by the Feast of Trumpets. Second, Satan will be bound, pictured by the Day of Atonement. Third will be the millennial reign of Christ, pictured by the Feast of Tabernacles. Finally, fourth will be the second resurrection, pictured by the Last Great Day.

God has generously allowed you to know His truth, His ways and His plan. God has given you the unique privilege to be His firstfruits. God is giving you the opportunity to live and reign with Jesus Christ and throughout eternity. You will be busy teaching God’s way of life. You will be helping God and Christ prepare human beings to become spirit beings. God wants you to be a spirit being, a part of His family forever! I do hope you will continue to work hard to please God and Christ by obeying God’s word.

LESSON APPLICATION:

Say: During our lesson today we read a few scriptures about what it will be like in God’s Kingdom. We also discussed how God and Christ will allow us to teach people God’s perfect way of life. What you are going to do is draw a picture of what you would like to be busy doing in God’s Kingdom to help God’s knowledge cover the earth like the waters cover the sea.

Art Activity:

1. Give each student a 12x18 sheet of construction paper with the heading:
I CAN’T WAIT UNTIL CHRIST RETURNS!
I hope God and Christ will allow me to...
2. Place crayons, marker, colored pencils, etc. on the table for the students to use.
3. Have each student put his/her name on the back of the paper.
4. Have each student draw a picture of what he/she would like to be able to do to help God

- and Christ during the Millennium.
5. Collect the drawings to display after church services.

MUSIC:

Sing the song "Do You Know God's Feasts?" by Mark Graham and Ruthie Brown. (Music with lyrics is included with the lesson on God's Holy Days, Level 3, Unit 1, Week 3.)

POEM:

As an alternative to the song, read the poem "The Final Four" (see attached copy).

- Do:
1. Give each student a copy of the poem.
 2. Read the poem aloud to the class.
 3. Divide the class into two groups.
 4. Allow each group to read alternating stanzas.
 5. Discuss the poem and the fall Holy Days referred to in the poem.

MEMORY SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 11:9b "For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea."

DO YOU KNOW GOD'S FEASTS?

(Group 1) Do you know God's feasts in the spring and in the fall?

(Group 2) I am happy to say that I can name them all.

(Group 1) Can you find where they're written down for us to see?

(Group 2) They're recorded in Leviticus chapter twenty-three.

(Group 1) What's the fourteenth day of the first month in the spring?

(Group 2) It's the Passover of Jesus Christ the king.

(Group 1) On the fifteenth day, can you tell me what begins?

(Group 2) Days of Unleavened Bread mean getting rid of sin.

(Group 1) Can you count fifty days from the wavesheaf offering?

(Group 2) That is Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came.

(Both) Then the months go by and we watch the summer go.

But there still are four more Holy Days to know.

(Group 1) On the first day of the seventh month, what do we learn?

(Group 2) It's the Day of Trumpets when Jesus will return.

(Group 1) And the tenth of the month is what Holy Day?

(Group 2) It's the Day of Atonement, when Satan's put away.

(Both) Next the Feast of Tabernacles is a time of happiness,

When Christ will reign and the world will be blessed.

(Group 1) On the Last Great Day, what does God have in mind?

(Group 2) He will offer salvation to all of mankind.

(Group 1) Do you know God's feasts in the spring and in the fall?

(Group 2) I am happy to say that I can name them all.

(Both) And the seven feasts which God gave man,

Are the seven steps in God's eternal plan.

This song can be sung with the children divided into a question group and an answer group, as indicated or sung all together.

THE FINAL FOUR

In God's plan the truth can be clearly found,
Christ will return when the seventh trump sounds.

We will celebrate, rejoice and sing,
For Christ will be Lord of lords and King of kings.

For one thousand years Satan will be restrained,
With Christ, the saints will live and reign.

After a short season Satan's deceit,
By God's hand will receive its final defeat.

All of mankind will live again,
And seek God's forgiveness for their sins.

God's Kingdom will forever and ever increase,
The world will finally be at true peace.

—- Heather Martin

family activity

THE POINT:

God is offering us the privilege to be teachers, healers and restorers in His Kingdom.

ASK ME...

Why I want to remain faithful and true to God and His ways.

What I would like God and Christ to allow me to do in God's Kingdom.

FAMILY TOGETHER TIME:

Spend some time discussing how much you will enjoy working together, as a family, in God's Kingdom with God and Christ.

What will you look forward to teaching most to mankind during the Kingdom?

What will it be like to keep God's Holy Days during His Kingdom?

MEMORY SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 11:9b "For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea."