

I Can Be Reverent

Help your children understand why being reverent is important, and show by example how they can be reverent!

Purpose

To encourage each child to show love for Heavenly Father and Jesus by being reverent.

“While I believe that reverence is often exhibited through reverent behaviors, it is not behaviors that concern me now. I want to discuss reverence as an attitude - an attitude of deepest respect and veneration toward Deity.” ~ L Tom Perry (Read the rest of the talk “Serve God Acceptably with Reverence and Godly Fear”).

Preparation

Pull up any links you might need for the lesson - look at the Family Night website for quick links

Mark Scriptures ~ Hebrews 12:28

Find Pictures of ~ Moses & The Burning Bush

Prepare for the Activities you want to do.

Things you will need ~ anything else you might need for extra activities

Prepare Treat ~ Suggested Treat - Homemade soft pretzels

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Opening Song ~ Reverently, Quietly (Primary Hymnbook; Hymn 26)

Opening Prayer

Attention Activity ~ Discuss the picture of Children being reverent. Ask: Where are these children; what are they doing; what do you think they are thinking about; and how do you act when you go to primary?

Scripture ~ Hebrews 12:28

Have the child repeat, word for word the scripture. Explain how when we need to be reverent when talking about Heavenly Father

Scripture Story ~ Moses & The Burning Bush

Tell the story about Moses and the Burning Bush. Talk about how when Moses went to the bush he had to take off his shoes because it was a way to be reverent. See Exodus 3:1-10 for the story. Then you can talk about different ways that we can show we are reverent. Like folding arms, walking quietly, not talking and thinking with our hearts, and even singing in a reverent way. Basically anything that helps us feel the spirit.

Story ~ "I'm Going There Someday" ~ From October 2010 Friend (Link on Family Night Website)

Watch the video about Kourtney going to an open house for the temple. Talk about how she was reverent when she went inside. Ask your child why she was reverent, and how they would act if they went in the temple. Ask how they would walk and talk in a temple. Then discuss how that is a good way to act at church too!

Activity ~ Wiggle and Stop

Practice singing your favorite wiggle songs and then practice sitting quietly. Start off sitting quietly for only 20 seconds and up the time after each wiggle song. Give lots of praise when they do well!

Testimony ~ Bear your testimony to your child about how important it is that we are reverent. It doesn't need to be eloquent and long, just keep it simple and heartfelt!

Closing Song ~ The Chapel Doors (Primary Hymnbook; Hymn 156)

Closing Prayer

Treat ~ Suggested Treat ~ Homemade soft pretzels and cheese dip - we fold our arms like the pretzels do.

Extra Activities for This Lesson ~

1 ~ "I'm Reverent at Church"

Poem and hand movements found on lds.org

2 ~ Make a quiet book together. Find some old friends and pictures and cut out pages to make a quiet book all about Christ you can look at during sacrament.

3 ~ Read the "Why Can't Animals go to Primary?" Story found on thegoldenseven.blogspot.com

Other Materials ~

Basically all the ideas from this lesson is from The Primary 1 Manual, lds.org, and Sugardoodle.net

If you are looking for other materials to help with your lesson you can look in any of these places ~ There are links to them on the Family Night Website!

For Younger Siblings ~

If your child has a younger sibling, look at the lesson we have for infants and toddlers, you can find the link on our website.