At Home In My Church

LESSON 1
Your Response to the Lesson

What was most interesting in the Bible story?

What activity was most enjoyable?

What new things did you learn?
Activity A

Groups

- Get together in groups of a number that’s called out and follow instructions. Whoever is left out sits down.
- What could we do at church to make sure no visitors or members feel left out?
Activity B

Needs and Haves

• Group 1: lists items needed by those who have lost everything in a disaster.

• Group 2: lists items that can be shared in response to the needs expressed by group 1.

• How does this compare with what the early Christians did for each other?
Name It

Write captions for the pictures around the room that illustrate people in action helping others.

How does this activity help you recognize ways we can help those in need? In what ways can you reach out to help others?
“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers” (Galatians 6:10).
Our church is a family of believers who take care of one another.
How Was Your Week?

Good things?
Challenges?
Special events?
PRAYER AND PRAISE

Songs

“This Is the Day” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 98)
“Walking in the Spirit” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 73)
“We Are the Family of God” (*He Is Our Song*, no. 114)
Life on the Islands

CONFERENCE    CHURCHES  COMPANIES  MEMBERS  POPULATION
Australia     421      103    50,219   23,310,000
New Zealand   142      85     18,646   4,019,000
Papua New Guinea 951   2,798  236,273  7,179,000
Trans-Pacific  498    562    105,824  2,196,000

TOTAL          2,012   3,550  420,962  37,504,000

PROJECTS:
1. Hope Channel Studio, Auckland, New Zealand
2. Family Wellness Center of Influence, Suva, Fiji
3. Children’s Discipleship Centers in Papua New Guinea, Trans-Pacific Union, New Caledonia

www.adventistmission.org
Divide into groups of 2 or 3. Think of ways you can reach out to those who are in need. Pray together, thanking God for the privilege of sharing.
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The Net Kids

• Who do you know who has done something special to help another church member?
• What are resources or talents that you can share with your local church? Start practicing that.
INTRODUCTION TO THE STORY

The Story

You may listen to a podcast recording of the story: www.juniorpowerpoints.org
Our church is a family of believers who take care of one another.
In groups develop dialogue based on Acts 4: 32-35.

What are some ways of sharing with people in need?
Caring for Believers

Read the following verses: 1 Thessalonians 5:11, 12; Galatians 6:10; Ephesians 4:32; Romans 12:13.

On paper paraphrase each text.

Why do you think it’s so important to be extra kind to other believers?
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Scenarios

1. A girl has no clothes for camp. She is one size smaller than you and you have clothes in her size.
2. Your classmate brought no lunch.
3. A classmate doesn’t have money for a school project.

How would you like to be treated in these situations?
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Goodwill Gift

- Create a “goodwill gift” (encouraging notes or Bible promises written on pieces of paper/cards).
- Decorate a box.
- Place the “goodwill” phrase gift into the decorated box.
- Distribute after Sabbath School.

How can we apply the message of the power text to our everyday experiences?
Coming Up Next Week

“SPREADING THE WORD”

• Early Christians are persecuted
• Study your Sabbath School lesson each day
• Complete the daily activities
• Memorize the Power Text
Heavenly Father,

Thank You for the example of Christian believers who served others generously. Please teach us to share Your gifts with those we encounter. Thank You!

Amen.