

Paul

Trigger

Paul, A Great Traveler

Material

- Suitcase
- Passport
- Photos of famous monuments (The Eiffel Tower, Paris, France; The Statue of Liberty, New York, USA; London Bridge, London, England; The Pyramids, Egypt; etc.)
- Memories from your travels



Steps

1. Show your suitcase, passport and travel memories to the children.
2. Present photos of famous landmarks and ask the children if they know their name and where they are in the world.
3. Make the connection with the story of the day. Paul was a traveler. Maybe he was bringing back memories of his travels, or maybe he was drawing the monuments he had seen.
4. What kind of trips did he make?

Key Verse

2 Timothy 4:7

Multimedia & Clips

Images

freebibleimages.org

Clip-YouTube

1. God's Story: Paul
2. Paul's Ministry
3. Animated Stories from the Bible - The Ministry of Paul

Object Lesson

Bold And Passionate

Material

- Large packaged box (like a gift) with a ribbon on top
- Stickers



Steps

1. Before class, put a sticker under a single chair among those the children will use.
2. Tell the children you have a present for someone in the room. Show a large box wrapped with a ribbon on top.
3. Tell the children that whoever has a sticker under his chair is the one who gets the gift. When the child with the sticker gets up, pretend to be shy and fearful, saying things like: "What if he doesn't like it? What if he makes fun of me? What's he going to think? What if he doesn't want to be my friend anymore? What if he thinks I'm weird?"
4. Finally, come to the conclusion that you simply cannot take the risk of giving this gift and put it away. Say that you have changed your mind and that you do not want to give the gift to the winner. Ask the child to return to his place and pretend that you are going to continue with your lesson. See what kind of response you get from this child and the public!
5. Make the next link. What just happened? Ask the child how he or she feels. Did the things I was afraid of make sense? Give the gift to the child and let him open it.
6. Continue. We often forget the gift in us, how the Good News of Jesus is a great gift. We are afraid of what people will think or know what will happen if they do not receive it. The Good News is a gift, a wonderful gift. We must be bold and passionate to give it and share it as much as possible. Paul was bold and passionate, he traveled everywhere to bring this beautiful gift.

Songs

www.youtube.com

- I have Decided
- All Around The World

The Heart Of The Father

& Prayer

Paul's conversion is truly spectacular. Paul went from someone who hated Christians to being one of the most passionate Christians for God. How could something like this happen? How can you go from hating Jesus to loving him passionately in an instant? It's a miracle, the one of the new birth. Paul met Jesus face



to face on the way to Damascus and this meeting transformed his life. He fell in love with Jesus and became one of the greatest bearers of the message of salvation.

And you this morning, did you meet Jesus? Maybe not as intensely as Paul, but did you meet him? Have you also made this decision to love Jesus, to follow him, to spread the message of salvation to the people around you? Just because you've been coming to church since you were born doesn't mean you're automatically a Christian. What makes us a Christian? (Interesting to let the children respond, see how they perceive salvation.) One becomes a Christian when one recognizes that Jesus died on the cross for our sins, when we recognize that we are sinners and that without him we are nothing. It is when we realize that Jesus died on the cross in order to restore the relationship that was broken by sin between us and the Father that we become Christians. Jesus died in order to restore this relationship of love and intimacy between us and God the Father. Did you make that decision to follow Jesus? To give him your heart and invite him to come and live in you? If not, it's time this morning. Jesus is here and he is waiting for you with his arms wide open. Just as he was waiting for Paul on his way to Damascus, he is waiting for you. Paul's life has been transformed and he's going to transform yours too. It's time this morning to open your heart to him. When we make this decision to let Jesus live in us, he gives us a mission, the same mission he gave Paul: to spread his love and talk about him to the people around us. Paul was ready to die to proclaim the love of Jesus. Are you ready to die, too? Die to your reputation? Accept that maybe people can laugh at you because you're a Christian? But what a joy when we see a friend of ours come to know Jesus! Think about this. If you don't tell your friends about Jesus, who's going to do it? And how will they come to know the love of Jesus? This mission belongs to you. Will you do as Paul and accept this mission? Or are you going to say no?

Prayer

"Jesus, I ask forgiveness for my sins, I recognize that you died on the cross for my sins and to give me life, I give you my heart and I invite you to come and live in me. I want to follow you and I want to talk about you to the people around me. Thank you for loving me. I want to get to know you. Amen."

Application

With the children, make a list of the friends they want to talk to about Jesus and whom they want to invite to church.

Craft

Make Your Passport

Material

- Passport document (PDF on website)
- Document of travel stamps (PDF on website)
- Pencils
- Glue stick
- Scissors



Steps

1. Print the passport document and travel stamps in sufficient quantity (1 per child).
2. Ask the kids to fill out the passport.
3. Ask them to cut out the various stamps and glue them in their passports.
4. Make the connection with the story of the day. Paul traveled a lot.

Activity

Countries In Disorder

Material

- Letters of country name

Steps

1. Beforehand, choose several country names and write them down with the letters in disorder.
2. Show the children the letters and tell them to try to put them back in order to find the name of the country. For example: AACND (Canada)
3. Then as soon as a child thinks he has the name of the country, he must stand up and say it. If he has the right answer, he scores a point.

Optional

- You can play individually or as a team.

Physical Activity

The Blind

Material

- None



Steps

1. Tell the children that they can move one, two or three steps in any direction. When a player has moved three steps, he must then remain there. The goal of the game is not to use our three steps without necessity because then we can no longer move. However, a player can crouch or bend without moving his feet to avoid being hit.
2. Blindfold a player. He has to move to try to reach the other players.
3. Touched players are eliminated.

Snack

Paul's Plane

Material

- Wafers
- Smarties
- Food glue
- Small candies
- Small paper plates



Steps

1. Distribute a paper plate and 2 wafers to all children.
2. Ask them to stick them on each other with food glue to form a cross. It's the plane.
3. Ask the kids to decorate their plane with candy.