

Love One Another – Song Story

Lesson Plan:

1. Begin by telling the primary that you have a special story to share with them.
2. Introduce the story by reading the first paragraph. After reading this, introduce the first two lines of “Love One Another.”
3. In Senior primary, you may invite children to take turns reading short paragraphs.
4. Continue reading the story and learning the lines of the song.
5. At the conclusion of the story, you should have introduced/taught the entire first verse.
6. Sing through the entire song again before the end of primary.

Extension Ideas:

- Create a story board for the story with pictures. Invite “readers” to read different parts of the story.
- After reading the story, ask questions about the message of the story. Discuss different ways to serve others.
- Print out each paragraph of the story and tape these papers to the wall. Have children put the story in order.
- Give each child a piece of paper and crayons and invite them to draw the story.

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This is a story about a young girl named Katie. Katie loved to play on the playground with her friends. Swinging on the swings was her favorite. (Ask: What's your favorite thing to do at the playground?)

One day while Katie was swinging high on the swings, she noticed a boy sitting in a wheelchair all alone. He had a slight frown on his face. Katie recognized this boy from her class, but she had never talked to him in class.

Teach the first two lines of the song. "As I have loved you, love one another. This new commandment, love one another.

Katie wanted to keep swinging, but she remembered what she learned in primary about loving one another. She wondered if the boy felt sad watching all the kids play on the playground. Katie decided to get off the swing and talk to this boy. "Hi," Katie said nervously. "What's your name?"

The boy in the wheelchair smiled. "I'm Jacob."

"Would you like to play with me?" Katie asked.

***Teach the next line of the song. "By this shall men know, ye are my disciples."**

"Yes! Can I teach you a new game?" Jacob asked, with an excited gleam in his eye.

Katie nodded, and sat next to Jacob. She felt happy that she was able to make a new friend that day. She was also happy that she remembered what she learned in primary about loving others.

***Teach the final line of the song. "If he have love one to another."**