

When finished with activities, return all necessary items to bag and place in the hallway for pick-up.

Program B-2

Feed My Sheep

John 21:15-17

Peter Series: Lesson #1

Bible Verse: Jesus loves me. Revelation 1:5

Bible Story for children:

Focus on: Jesus loves us. He sends others to care for us.
Teach others about Jesus.

Prop ideas: Small pet (Be sure to inquire of allergies before bringing into classroom)
Water, food, shepherd's staff
Storybook with pictures of sheep & shepherd

SAMPLE STORY

After Jesus had arisen, he had appeared in different places and times to his disciples and followers. On his third visit with his disciples, after they had caught lots and lots of fish and had breakfast with Jesus, Jesus spoke a special message to Peter.

Peter had always been one of the leaders of the group of disciples. Peter was bold and strong and tough. Jesus asked Peter if he loved him. Peter said, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." He asked Peter again, "Do you love me?" Peter said, "Yes Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus answered, "Take care of my sheep." For the third time Jesus asked, "Do you love me?" Peter answered, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep."

Did Jesus have a farm somewhere with sheep and lambs? Did he need Peter to watch the farm when Jesus returned to heaven? NOOOO! When Jesus said lambs and sheep he meant his followers, Christians. Just as a shepherd loves and cares for his lambs and sheep, Jesus wanted Peter to take care of the followers of Jesus. Peter was to teach them all the things that Jesus had taught him.

Did you know that you are a little lamb? All your teachers & ministers at church and your parents at home are your shepherds. Jesus wants us to take care of you by loving you and teaching you about him. He wants us to teach you what is right and what is wrong and teach you

how to follow him. Even though Jesus is not here in body, he sends others to care for and love you.

FYI

First Session Classes will be:

Painting

Coloring Shepherd Page

Playing 'Barnyard Turnover' and Other Group Games

SHEEP CRAFT

Materials: Sheep patterns
Paper towel/toilet paper tube sections
Cotton balls
Glue (In room)
Scissors (In room)
Crayons (Optional) (In room)

Do: Let the children color a head and tail of a sheep. (Optional)
Help cut out the head and tail of the sheep. (Cut an oval around the design. Do not worry about trying to cut along the lines).
Show the children how to spread apart the cotton balls and glue to the sides of the paper towel tube.
Help them glue the sheep front and back to the ends of the tube. (Try to get the feet even).

Talk about: Take good care of your sheep just like Jesus told Peter to take care of his sheep.

SING AND PRAISE

Materials: None

Do: Gather the children in a circle for a time of singing. Choose any of the following songs or some of your favorites.

Talk about: We can sing to God to tell Him how much we love Him. We can sing about God to tell others about Him.

Jesus Said Come Follow Me

To the tune of London Bridge

Jesus said "Come follow me,
follow me, follow me."

Jesus said "Come follow me,
catching me-en."

Jesus taught about God's word,
'bout God's word, 'bout God's
word.

Jesus taught about God's word.
Yes he di-id.

Jesus healed the lame and sick
Lame and sick, lame and sick
Jesus healed the lame and sick
He made them whole.

Jesus said to feed his sheep,
Feed his sheep, feed his sheep.
Jesus said to feed his sheep, and
follow him."

*You can make a bridge and 'catch
people' as you do with London Bridge.*

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

He's got the whole world, in His hands
He's got the whole world, in His hands
He's got the whole world, in His hands
He's got the whole world, in His hands

He's got the little bitty baby, in His hands
He's got the little bitty baby, in His hands
He's got the little bitty baby, in His hands
He's got the whole world, in His hands

He's got you and me children, in His hands
He's got you and me children, in His hands
He's got you and me children, in His hands
He's got the whole world, in His hands

Oh, How I Love Jesus

Oh, how I love Jesus
Oh, how I love Jesus
Oh, how I love Jesus
Because he first loved
me

GOD IS SO GOOD

God is so good (3X)
He's so good to me

He loves me so (3X)
He's so good to me

He answers prayer (3X)
He's so good to me

Old MacDonald

Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O
And on that farm he had some
Pigs, E-I-E-I-O
With an oink, oink here, oink, oink there

Here an oink, there an oink
Everywhere an oink, oink
Old MacDonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O

Repeat with cows (moo), ducks (quack),
dogs (woof), etc.

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me, this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Little ones to him belong
They are weak, but he is strong

Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so

FARM ANIMALS

***RETURN ALL ANIMAL FIGURES TO BAG WHEN FINISHED
DO NOT LEAVE IN ROOM***

Materials: Animal figures
Blocks (In room)

Do: Use blocks to build pens and barns for the animals.

Talk about: How do you take care of farm animals? (Feed, water, protect from weather, predators) What is your favorite farm animal? Shepherds take care of sheep by protecting them from wolves and lions. They lead them to pastures and water.

TEACHER EXTRA: BRING BEANIE BABY FARM ANIMALS OR OTHER ANIMAL FIGURES. (ESPECIALLY SHEEP)