Sunday Club – 17th January 2021

The following is one way of delivering this session with children. This week we explore how we help each other hear God.

Opening activity

Listen to the following clip: <u>https://vimeo.com/406653924</u>. In a poll, 53% of people reported hearing the word 'Laurel' while 47% heard the word 'Yanny'.

Different people listening to the same thing hear it completely differently. Think about how different people hear God in different ways. What helps you to hear God? How do you recognise what comes from God?

<u>Opening prayer – Loving God.</u>

Loving God, speak to us through the words of the Bible; speak to us through the words of our friends, that we may call others to come and listen too. **Amen.**

Open the Word: Open the Bible at John 1:43-51

Today we hear about two friends who have an unexpected encounter with Jesus and initially react in very different ways. Together, Philip and Nathanael help each other to understand who Jesus is and they begin a journey that will redefine who they are.

John 1:43-51 ICB - The next day Jesus decided to go to - Bible Gateway or watch:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vlr05RdQgQQ

Talk together:

- If something exciting happened who would you tell?
- Why do you think Philip told Nathanael about Jesus before he followed Jesus?
- What sort of things would you tell someone about Jesus?

Game - Follow the Leader

To help the children make connections between the Bible passage and their lives.

Play a game of follow the leader together, take it in turns to be the leader – everybody should try to copy exactly what the leader is doing. You could move around the room, do crazy actions or pull silly faces!

Craft Activity – Prayer Fish

Jesus sent his disciples out to be 'Fishers of Men,' to share His love with the people they met. We can do the same!

You will need a sheet of A4 paper cut into 6 strips (portrait) and colouring pens or pencils.



Write on it the name of a person or situation you would like to pray for. Maybe someone you know who does not know Jesus yet? Cut slits near to the ends of the strip as shown above.

Fit the slits together to make a fish shape. Hold the fish high in the air and let it go. As it gains momentum you will see it start to spin! Make as many as you can!



Praise Song: I Want The World To Know, Hillsong Kids on ILoveJesus227 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EXAjRv9Gxrc

Sing and dance along!

Closing Prayer:

Dear God, help us to help others come, see and hear you.

God, as we go, may we: come to you in prayer, see the best in each situation and hear your words of love over us. Amen.

Other ideas for family worship:

An alternative is provided by Hull minster (John 1:43-51)

https://hullminster.org/family-resources

Kid's Church (Esther). This is great fun and very interactive.

Beforehand, you can read the details which shows you the resources that will be required.

Stories from Exile 2 | High Energy Church Season 2 Episode 2 - YouTube

Rochester Diocese Ministry at Home (John 1:43-51) Attachment