THE CHURCH IN NEW YORK CITY CHILDREN'S MEETING LESSON (Pre-K&K)

Lesson #98

Date:

Subject: The Bible

Aim: To have the children understand that the Bible is God's word; that the Bible is one way that God talks to

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:16; Psalm 119:16b

Memory Verse: "All Scripture is God breathed....." 2 Tim. 3:16a

Introduction:

Start the lesson by holding your Bible up. Most of the children will know what it is but ask anyway. Ask the older children if they have their own Bible and if they ever read it. Then ask the children if they know where the Bible comes from or who wrote it.

Content:

Many different people over many years did the actual sitting and writing down of the Bible. But God is the one who wrote the Bible. All the people that wrote down the words only wrote down what God wanted them to. The Bible says "All Scripture is God breathed..." It was like God breathed on them and the men wrote. Different men wrote different things.

Awhile ago we learned about Moses and the children of Israel. Moses wrote down the first five books of the Bible. Here we learned about how God created everything. We learned the story of Noah and his ark and the Ten Commandments. These stories are all in the part of the Bible called **The Old Testament**. This part of the Bible was written before the Lord Jesus was born. There are even some parts of the Old Testament that tells us that the Lord was going to be born. There are 39 different books in the Old Testament.

We also have heard stories in the Bible about the miracles that the Lord did while He was alive. We learned how He died for our sins. These stories are in the part of the Bible called **The New Testament**. They were written down by the Lord's disciples. Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and Paul were some of the men who wrote down God's word. There are 27 books in the New Testament.

The Bible tells us many things. Things many of you have learned over the last year or two because you have learned the memory verses. We learned that "...Jesus is the son of God..." (1 John 4:15). We learned that "Resist the devil and he will flee from you" (James 4:7) "...all things are possible with God" (Mark 10:27b) "....pray for one another..." (James 5:16a) "In everything give thanks..." (1Thes. 5:18a) I could go on and on about the many wonderful things you have learned from your memory verses. (Ask the children if they can remember any other ones). All these verses come from the Bible. God has told us all these things and many more.

Can you imagine if there was no Bible? We would not know so many things. How would we know that Jesus is the son of God, or He died for our sins? The Ten Commandments tell us how to behave. If we didn't have them we might think it was alright to go out and steal, or it was ok to tell a lie. God wanted us to know these things so He had men write down His word. Not one word in the Bible is there that God doesn't want it there. Nothing was left out and nothing was added.

You can say that the Bible is like a letter. All of us love to get letters or cards. It makes us happy and excited because someone thought of us. God thinks about us. God loves us. God loves us very much. He wrote us a letter telling us that and we need to read that letter.

Many of you cannot read yet, but if you learn your verses every week you can say God's word over and over again. You can tell people I got a letter from God and this is what it says. Wouldn't people be surprised! You can even tell them that you are so special that God wrote you a letter. God wanted to let you know a bunch of different things so He wrote them all down.

This is one letter that should be read over and over again. The more you know about the Bible the more you will know about God.