

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

Man in God's Creation

Lesson #12 Similarities and Differences in People (1)

Burden to Impart:

In this lesson we see that since God “made from one (Adam) every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth” (Acts 17:26), all men have many similarities and are alike in many ways: basic physical features, needs, ways of living, and psychological makeup. We may live together happily with others by following the ‘golden rule’ given by the Lord Jesus in Matthew 7:12.

Memory verse: “Therefore all that you wish men would ^ado to you, so also you do to them; for this is the ^blaw and the prophets.” Matthew 7:12

Facts to teach:

1. How am I the same as everybody else?
 - a. Physically: the same basic features (eyes, ears, nose, mouth, hair, etc. let the children list.)
 - b. Same basic needs (food, water, clothing, housing, family, and friends).
 - c. Same basic way of living (breathing, eating, sleeping, seeing, hearing, speaking, etc.)
 - d. Mentally: We all need love, respect, attention, rights of ownership (to have our own things, toys, etc.), and freedom (not always bossed around).

Practical application:

Since we all came from the same great grandparents (Adam and Eve), we have many similarities and share many of the same desires and feelings. We must learn to live together with our fellow men and neighbors. After all, we are all only distant cousins. The easiest rule to follow to live together happily with others is what the Lord Jesus taught us in Matthew 7:12.

Lesson #13 Similarities and Differences in People (2)

Burden to Impart:

In this lesson we see that God made each of us with special differences, such as our appearance, fingerprints, likes and dislikes, ways of acting, activities, languages, and customs. Although we are all different from one another in so many ways, yet we are all made by God and

are equally precious to Him. Therefore we should love and respect all of our fellow men.

Memory verse: "....."You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:39

Facts to teach:

2. How am I different from others?
 - a. Appearance: height, face, coloring, hair, eyes, etc.
 - b. Fingerprints: everyone has different fingerprints.
 - c. Likes and dislikes: food, drinks, pets, etc.
 - d. Ways of acting: fast or slow, eager or cautious, sloppy or neat, careful or careless.
 - e. Activities: physical (games, strength, etc.) and mental (school work, reading, etc.)
 - f. Languages
 - g. Customs: food, clothing, housing, etc.

Practical application:

Although we are all different from one another, yet the Lord made us all and cares for all of us. We are all precious to Him, so we should all love and respect one another.