My Sunday School Lesson Plan - Younger Grades Book of Titus

DATE: February 9, 2020

Preparation: (What I need to do and items to gather before I begin to teach.)	 Bibles to use in class White board or Poster paper Markers Optional: Bring in Saltine Crackers (or other "salty" cookie) to use during lesson
	about "St. Sarkis."
Lesson Title:	The New Testament Book of Titus Continue your NEW Testament Wall display by hanging the "Titus" wall card.
Scripture Reference(s):	Titus 3:1-2 "Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show every courtesy to everyone."
Emphasis or Theme:	Doing What is Good
Introducing the Story: (What you might say or do before the story to help create an interest or curiosity)	BEFORE CLASS: (Hang your "Titus" wall card on your New Testament wall display.) SAY: The Book of Titus is another letter written by Paul to a specific person – a young man named Titus.
LESSON: Telling the Story Through the Bible: (Outline the story here. Then describe the method you will use to tell the story. Examples might include showing pictures, props, visuals, drawing as you tell, using puppets, costumed characters, dramatic storytelling or any number of other methods.)	SAY: I am going to read Titus 3:1-2 aloud. While I do, listen carefully to what Paul tells us about HOW TO DO WHAT IS GOOD. (As you read, write on board what Paul teaches: • follow rulers and authorities • be obedient • be ready for every good work • do not speak badly of others • do not argue • be gentle • be courteous to everyone ASK: Does this describe YOU? How are you doing as far as following Paul's instructions about doing what is good? (pause for responses.) SAY: I think we all agree that we love our church very much. We love the beautiful building (maybe describe the exterior of your church), we love our altar with its candles and flowers, we love the songs that our church choir sings, and we especially love our Der Hayr. The book of Titus, Paul teaches Titus how to set up a good and organized church. Here's how: (As you share, draw a visual of a church and add each of the following to help children understand.) • Appoint elders - Paul says that the people in charge should be honest, responsible, and bring church members together. • Instruct people to be sensible - Men and women of all ages have their parts to play in the church. Christians are to live sensibly, which in turn glorifies God. • Encourage good deeds - Christians should be good examples of godly living and do what is right in God's eyes.
	SAY: It sounds like setting up a church would be easy, but it's harder than it seems. It's hard to make sure that people will behave and do good deeds. And finding

	excellent church leaders is not easy.
	ASK : Who do we think needs to be the most well behaved? Who needs to be the best example of being a good person and do the most good deeds? Older people or younger people? (pause) Girls or boys? (pause) Tall people or short people? (pause)
	SAY : The answer is everyone! Being a Christian and especially a Church Leader is a very big responsibility. All of us must live good lives in front of others, no matter if we are old or young, male or female, tall or short.
	OPTIONAL ACTIVITY: Together as a class, take (all or a portion of) the "Am I a Good Person? Quiz." Discuss responses.
	READ: "Simple Story of St Valentine," and/or "St. Sarkis Traditions and Folk Legends," or if it was not shown during assembly, show the video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JdKZepHMFWE
Learning Activities: (Games, crafts artwork, songs, memory verses, or other activities that bring fuller meaning to the scripture or make application to the lives of the students.)	 Good Deed Glasses craft Be My Valentine, Jesus St. Sarkis Valentine Card Holder craft Setting up an Orderly Church craft
Review: (Solidify learning by repeating facts, themes, or even the story itself through games, crafts, activities, or visual aides.)	The Book of Titus was written by which apostle? PAUL Who was Titus? Paul's protégé, or partner in ministry; a young church leader Where was Titus setting up a church? Island of Crete
Closing: (Prayer, last song,)	Sing: Jesus Loves Me Recite/sing: Hayr Mer