

## Future-proofing our children

Sunday School Class 1

Lesson Title

The Power of Faith

# A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



## Dear Parent

Welcome to the “**The Power of Faith**” Sunday School 1 lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

### How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1.	<p>Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp:</p> <p><a href="https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS">https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</a></p>
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bible</li> <li>• The PDF lesson that is already prepared</li> <li>• Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc.</li> <li>• The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2: Please keep the lesson as concise as possible, bearing in mind the retention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children – you know your child best. <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lessons are class specific (i.e. SS, RI or Confirmation).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your SS teacher if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3.	<p>Pray (see the prayer at the end of this document) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.</p>



# Present a Sunday School Lesson at Home

## How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

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4.	Create a pleasant (disturbance free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level <b>Example:</b> Sit on the mat or at a table
5.	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6.	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7.	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8.	Present the lesson to your child by telling the story. You can even read the story if you like.
9.	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning/purpose of the lesson.
10.	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook.
11.	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

## Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Sunday School family.
2. Discuss with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct your own research for additional information.



# The Lesson

<b>Lesson Title</b>	The power of faith
<b>Text</b>	Luke 7:1-10
<b>Lesson Objective</b>	The children understand they can trust God. When they ask something of the Lord, He will hear them and answer them according to his will.

## Lesson Summary:

- The centurion was a Roman warrior that was in charge of 100 soldiers. Romans did not believe in Jesus however this centurion knew of Jesus and what Jesus has done.
- He was not cruel to the Jews. He was humble and showed concern for others before himself.
- One of his servants became very ill, which made him very sad. He knew that Jesus had healing powers. He asked the Jewish elders to go to Jesus with his plea to help his servant. The Jewish elders made the request to Jesus as the centurion was a very good man.
- Jesus wanted to go to the centurion's home, but the centurion did not feel worthy, and asked that Jesus just speak the words of healing. He believed and trusted that his servant would be healed by one word spoken by Jesus.
- The most important thing is that the centurion showed true faith in that he said Jesus did not even have to go to the servant He can just say the word and he will be healed.
- Jesus turned to the people around Him and He said that this is the type of faith and belief he wants us to have, Trust Him completely and believe in Him and His father in heaven. Jesus healed the servant.





## What does this lesson mean for us today?

- We are children of God and we know God is powerful.
- We must trust our God unconditionally.
- We know that we can tell our heavenly Father all our wishes and requests.
- We firmly believe that he will decide what is best for us.
- The Lord Jesus wants us to have a trusting, believing, and childlike heart.

## Some questions that we can ask

**Question:** What is a centurion? Look at the picture in the manual for the answer.

**Answer:** A centurion is a mighty warrior who normally gives orders – an important high-ranking Roman soldier.

**Question:** Was the centurion a nasty man?

**Answer:** No, he was always very good and helpful to the Jews, and he was kind to his servant.

**Question:** Did he honour Jesus?

**Answer:** Yes, that is why he felt that he was not worthy for Jesus to enter his home.

**Question:** How did Jesus heal his servant?

**Answer:** By speaking the words...“As you have believed, so it shall be”

**Question:** Why did Jesus heal his servant without going to the centurion’s home?

**Answer:** Jesus said: "This man really trusts me. A single word is enough for him. He believes in my power without having seen a single miracle."

**Question:** What did Jesus say we must do to enter His kingdom?

**Answer:** Jesus said we must believe in Him and trusts Him completely like the centurion to enter His kingdom.





## **A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:**

*Dear God, thank you for this day*

*Bless all parents and children*

*May we feel your presence*

*Bless the lesson we will have*

*Please teach us how to serve you*


*And help us to do your will*

*So that we grow closer to you*

*Send Jesus to fetch us*

*And may we be ready to meet Him*

**Amen**

 Notes