



Future-proofing our children

Sunday School Class 2

Lesson Title

The Our Father (1)

A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to “**The Our Father (1)**” Sunday School 2 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>https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</p>
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The PDF lesson that is already prepared • Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc. • The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool <p>Note:</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:

Step	Action
4.	Create a pleasant (disturbance free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level Example: 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 2 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

Lesson Title	The Our Father (1)
Text	Matthew 6: 9-13
Lesson Objective	The children are shown the significance of the Lord's Prayer so that they can pray it earnestly.

Lesson Summary:

- Jesus and His disciples travelled throughout Galilee teaching the people. His miracles were spoken about everywhere, even far beyond the borders of Galilee.
- They went up on to a hill where a large crowd followed them to hear more of Jesus' teaching.
- Jesus spoke to the people, urging them to live a life pleasing to God and taught them a very important prayer: The Our Father.
- Jesus said this is how we should pray: "Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one: For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen."
- When we pray 'Our Father in heaven', we call on the Lord. He then listens to us. This also happens when we pray at home.
- 'Hallowed be Your name': How do we hallow God's name? We pray with our eyes closed, bow our heads and fold our hands. We hallow God's name when we pray humbly and respectfully and do His will. God is holy and we praise Him. The Lord hears the prayers of His children.
- 'Your kingdom come': We want to enter God's kingdom. There we will be happy for ever. That is why we try to live according to Jesus Christ's example. Here on earth we strive to develop the kingdom of God within us and to experience peace, love and fellowship.
- 'Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven': God's will is that He wishes all people to be helped. He wants to guide and bless all people. Jesus lived according to God's will and is our example.
- God wants to help everyone on earth, whether they are rich or poor, black or white. He wants us to live peacefully and happily, as if we are in heaven.



What does this lesson mean for us today?

- The Lord's Prayer is a valuable legacy which Jesus gave to those who believe in Him.
- We pray the Our Father before Holy Communion and it is prayed by the entire congregation.
- It is a prayer which should be prayed earnestly. It is an expression of heartfelt fellowship.

We must pray The Lord's Prayer earnestly and fervently and remember that God is listening when we call on His name in prayer. Don't miss part 2 of this lesson.

Some questions that we can ask:

1. Do you know the Our Father by heart?

Answer: Let the child answer and recite the prayer.

2. When we pray 'Our Father in heaven' what does this mean?

Answer: We call on the Lord and He listens to us.

3. How can we hallow God's name?

Answer: We should hallow His name by praying humbly and respectfully and doing His will.

4. How do you visualize the kingdom of God, what will it be like there and what must you do to fit into God's kingdom? Let your child answer.

Answer: There we will be happy forever. We will live in peace, love and fellowship.

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

Dear God, thank you for this day

May we feel your presence

Bless the lesson we will have

May we sow good seed by the goodness of our lives and

May we only allow good to grow in our Hearts.

Send Jesus to fetch us

And may we be ready to meet Him

In Jesus name we pray this - Amen