



## Future-proofing our children

### Religious Instruction Class 1

Lesson Title	Trust – David
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# A Parent's Guide

## Sunday School Home Schooling



# Dear Parent

Welcome to the “**Trust - David**” Religious Instruction 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:

Step	Action
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 Religious Instruction 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.
4. Your congregation Sunday School Coordinator and Religious Instruction Teacher.



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<b>Text</b>	1 Samuel 16–31 and 2 Samuel 5; 11; 12
<b>Lesson Objective</b>	The children learn the importance of trusting God in all situations of life.

## Lesson Summary:

- Samuel looked at Eliab, but neither he nor David's other six brothers were designated by God to be king. Young David was after God's own heart. That is why God had him anointed to be king.
- David's trust in God was great. Because of this he was able to defeat Goliath, hope for God's preservation while being persecuted, and resist the temptation to kill King Saul.
- David saw the beautiful Bathsheba and arranged to have her husband killed so that he could marry her.
- God was not pleased with David's actions and sent the prophet Nathan to David. Nathan used a story about a rich man and a poor man, to explain to David that his actions were wrong and that God was not pleased with his actions. David admitted his sin and repented. God forgave him.
- We want to trust God
- When David fought against Goliath, he did not rely on his own strength, but on God's help.
- We also do not want to consider ourselves as being strong, but ask for God's help in everything we do.
- David trusted God, even when he was being persecuted by Saul, a time when David's life was greatly endangered.
- We also do not do everything right, but we can nevertheless come to God again and again full of confidence. God forgives us our sins in every divine service, if we repent.



## What does this lesson teach us?

- We must learn the importance of trusting God in all situations of life.
- We too never want to cast away our trust and confidence in God, even at those times in our lives during which things do not go very well for us.
- Especially during those times, it is important to wait patiently for God's help.
- When David had behaved wrongly, he repented of his sin and received help. So too we need to repent, ask for forgiveness and do our best not to repeat the sin

**Do Exercise 1 and 2 with your child.**

### Answers to Exercise 2: Enter the words correctly

150 – Psalter – David – lyre – prayer – light – fear – way – bring – salvation

### Some questions we can ask:

1. How does trust in God affect our everyday lives?

**Answer:** In prayer we tell God everything that moves us, we feel more secure and we have inner peace.

2. Why was David able to defeat Goliath and resist the temptation to kill King Saul?

**Answer:** His trust in God was great.

3. What do we need to do to have our sins forgiven?

**Answer:** Admit our sins, repent, forgive our neighbour and ask God to forgive us.



## **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

## **A prayer after the lesson:**

*Dear Heavenly father*

*Thank you for keeping us safe.*

*Help me to be kind to everyone.*

*Thank you for being the Good Shepherd who loves and guides us.*

*Amen*