LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME

SUNDAY SCHOOL TO GO

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Many people had been coming to see Jesus. He had been busy healing people, teaching and showing God’s love. His disciples were following him. One day, someone came to see Jesus! Parents came with their children and wanted their children to spend time with Jesus. The disciples told the kids to go away. They thought Jesus was too busy to deal with kids. But, Jesus made it clear that He is never too busy for people He loves.

"Let the little children come to me and do not stop them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

But Jesus asked the children to come over by him and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." Jesus took the children in his arms and held them and showed His love. He blessed them!

Jesus showed everyone how important children were to Him. He wanted them! Others may not have understood how important children are because kids don’t seem powerful but Jesus made it clear that He wants children with Him. The kids didn’t wait to get themselves cleaned up or fancy. They just ran into the arms of Jesus! Children became an example for everyone on how to run into the arms of Jesus with faith, hope, love, trust, humility and joy.
CREATE YOUR OWN PUZZLE
Color a picture that you design or use the last page of this week's activity. Cut it into pieces and ask someone else to put it back together (or put the puzzle together yourself!). Cut with shapes like bumps, zigzags and squares.

TALK ABOUT IT
How did Jesus show love to the children?
Matthew, Mark and Luke all wrote about this moment. How were their descriptions the same and different?
How do we go to Jesus today?
What does it mean to have faith like a child?
How do you think the disciples felt after Jesus told them to let the children come?
What would you want to ask or tell Jesus if he was holding you in His arms today?

POP UP CARDS
Making pop up cards is a fun and easy way to bring joy to others or to make something to display at home. If you want, you can make one with little children and Jesus popping up! You can also make other card designs to tell people that Jesus loves them.
1. Fold paper in half
2. Cut slits on the folded edge.
3. Open the card and fold the tabs inward. After you've gotten the hang of card making, you might want to try multiple tabs. You can do them horizontally or vertically. The glue can go on either of the to flat sides of the tab, just not both sides.
4. Glue fun shapes to the tabs and they will pop out when the card opens.

SCIENCE OF STATIC
Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." We can make balloons "come to us" using static. This is an easy one! Just rub a balloon on your hair and it will stick to the wall! Make a tissue paper butterfly and tape just the body (center) to the table. Use the balloon to attract the wings with static. Why do you think the children wanted to go to Jesus? Why do you?

STAINED GLASS
A really easy and low mess way to make stained glass looking art for kids is to use clear contact paper and tissue paper. Tape the contact paper on your window with the sticky side facing kids. Let them cut or rip small tissue paper shapes and stick them on the contact paper. The light shines through with a beautiful effect. Older kids can create designs or patterns. If you want words to be read from the outside, stick the letters on backwards from the inside.

PRAY!
Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me." Go to Jesus in prayer and spend some time with Him. Tell Him about your day or week. Tell Him what's on your mind and heart. Hang out with Him for a while.
Printables

or play online- https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/1041236/

Tic Tac Toe

Dots

Draw Jesus
(What do you think Jesus looked like when He was with the children?)

Take turns drawing lines between dots, when you make a box, add your initial. The player with the most boxes wins.
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