KIDS ARE LIKE LEGOS

LESSON #1

TEACHER'S GUIDE

LESSON OVERVIEW

Big Idea: We were made to connect.

Key Question: Why should we connect to others?

Memory Verse: Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. Ecclesiastes 4:9

Overview: We're starting a new series today and it's all about legos! Well, sort of. We're not going to talk about all the cool things you can build with legos, but we are going to talk about how God made us to be like legos. Just like you have to put legos together to build something, that's the way God created people to work, too. He created us to fit together. We need people to encourage us when we're sad and to help us in times of need. God didn't create us to be alone. Think about your legos. You can't build anything with just one lego, right? You need other legos to build something really cool. In God's creative plan, we are all unique lego pieces that He has put together to create something great. Not only that, God wants us to work together to help spread the word about Jesus to our friends and family and what He did for them on the cross. Because, every time someone trusts in Jesus, they are added to God's "lego" creation, or to His team! He wants everyone to be connected to Him. Remember, we all have a part to play. Just like legos, we should connect to others.

CLASSROOM AGENDA

5 min

20 min

5 min

5 min

10 min

5 min

CLOSE:

5 min PLAY: Begin working on Activity Page #1.

WARM UP: Have you ever created something cool like a lego creation or a puzzle? Describe it. Why is it fun to create things?

5 min PREVIEW: Write out the Big Idea and Memory Verse and Key Question on a whiteboard. Have the older kids copy it down on Activity Page #1. (if applicable)

LARGE GROUP: Gather for songs and videos with other kids. Then return to small group to finish this guide.

RECAP: Read the Lesson Overview from the Teacher's Guide **to the class** and then **answer** the KEY QUESTION.

EXPLORE: Read <u>1 Corinthians 12:12-18</u>. God has created each of us with special role on His team. What are some of the talents God has given you? How can you use those to build God's team?

PLAY: Choose a group activity from Activity Page #2.

Think of a friend you'd like to get on God's team. What can you do to introduce them to Jesus?

■ Share prayer requests and pray as a class.

TEACHER TIPS

Don't forget that you set the tone for your kids. Smile. Have fun. Pursue God together.

2nd-5th puzzle key: across 3 connect 4 lego **down** 1 create 2 God

Allow each kid to share. The point: Get kids thinking about the creative things they have created. God has the best imagination of all and His biggest creation is each one of us.

Answer: Because God created us to be this way. He wants us to make lots of friends. We need other people to be stronger. Not only that, but God wants us to connect to others so they can meet Jesus through us.

Bonus Questions: Who do you like to spend time with in your life? Why do you like to be with them? What's your favorite thing to do with your friends and family?

4-5th: Have you ever talked to a friend about God? Explain. Why do you think God wants to use us to bring others to Him?

God doesn't do anything by accident. He took special care in creating each one of us for a special purpose. He wants our help to make His team bigger by using our special talents to bring other people into a relationship with Jesus.

Allow each kid to share.

ACTIVITY PAGE #2

Classroom Activities K-1st

Option #1

Build The LEGO Big Idea

- Split the class into two teams.
- Give each team a set of LEGO blocks (pages 5-7), precut
- Say the Big Idea out loud and have the class repeat it back to you.
- When you say "go", have kids work as a team to build the Big Idea with their blocks in the correct order on the ground.
- When they have finished, have the team link arms and stand up.
- First team to finish wins

Supplies needed

- Print 2 sets of LEGO block
 Big Idea templates (pg.5-7)
 on the following colored
 paper, precut.
 - Page 5-Blue
 - Page 6-Yellow
 - Page 7-Red

Bonus Activity:

Play the Silly Memory Verse Game.

Say the memory verse as a class. Say it again but do it while **jumping up and down**. Repeat again while **spinning around**.

Option #2

Work Together Big Idea Relay

- Divide the class into two teams
- Tape lines on the floor, one at each end of the room.
- Have the teams line up behind their line at one end.
- Choose one "leader" from each team who will be responsible for guiding each of their team members safely to the other side of the room.
- The first kid in line will close his/her eyes and be led by the leader to the other end of the room to be seated behind the other taped line
- This will continue until all the kids in line have been safely led to the other end.
- Once the team is all seated at the other end, give them the lego blocks for the Big Idea and have them build it in the right order.
- First team to finish wins.

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Bonus Activity:

Play the **Old Testament or New Testament** game.

Present the books below to the class and see if they can guess in which testament each book is found.

Books:

Exodus, Matthew, Isaiah, Acts

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Watch this week's lesson video as a family (see link above) and fill in the blanks.

- We were made to 1.
- Reason #1: Life works _____. 2.
- Reason #2: God it. 3.
- Reason #3: It makes us _____ 4.



Answer these questions together as a family.

- Have you ever created something cool 1. like a lego creation or a puzzle? Explain.
- Why do you think God wants us to 2. connect to others?
- How is working with a group better than 3. working alone?
- Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-18. God has 4. given each of us a special place on His team. What are some of the talents God has given you? How can you use those to build God's team?
- Your family is a team. How can your 5. family be stronger by everyone working together?



Memorize this week's Bible verse:

"Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed."

Ecclesiastes 4:9

Bonus: Read these additional passages as a family this week.

- Read Proverbs 27:17. How can your friends help you to be a better friend?
- Read Proverbs 18:24. How do you get along with your siblings? How would a true friend be more like a sibling?
- Read Proverbs 17:9. What happens when you don't forgive someone who hurts your feelings? Do you think God likes you to be that way?



ACTIVITY PAGE #1

K-1st Grade



BIG IDEA

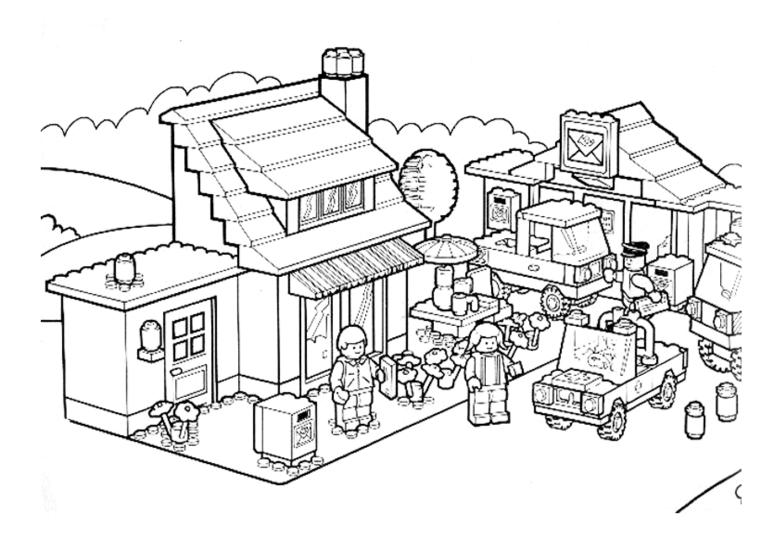
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MEMORY VERSE

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COLOR THE PICTURE



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