

CHAMPS



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

10/3-10/4

THY WILL BE DONE

PURPOSE

Jesus wants us to pray so heaven can be here on earth. God's will wants to bless mankind through Christ. Not everything that happens is God's will.

VERSE: (REVIEW THE LORD'S PRAYER)

1 Timothy 2:3-4 says, "This is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth."

LESSON:

Last week we started learning the Lord's Prayer. Our special message today, and the part of the prayer we will have memorized for next week is, "May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven." In heaven, God's will is always done. There is no temptation; there is no sin in heaven. God's will happens. This part of the prayer petitions, or asks God, that his will would be done here on earth, just like his will is done on heaven. God's will is that everyone on earth would know Jesus and be forgiven of their sins. 1 Timothy 2:3-4 says, "This is good and pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth." This is why Jesus gave us the Great Commission. The Great Commission is a job Jesus gave to all Christians after he was resurrected from the dead. Right before he ascended into heaven, Jesus said, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18-20). Think for a moment about your favorite toy. Mine growing up was a _____. It was _____. (Share your own favorite toy from childhood and allow some of the children to share.) I loved that toy and loved to share it with my friends when they came over to play, because it was the coolest toy I had. As a Christian, the coolest and the best thing we have is the love of Jesus Christ, and the grace he gives us. Just like we want to share our favorite toys, we want to share Jesus. We want God's will to be done on earth, just like it is in heaven, so we do God's will by loving him first and loving others. We show other people love by telling them how much God loves them.

Let's pray for people who need to know Jesus. Let's pray that we would be faithful to do God's will and that his will would be done on earth as it is in heaven.

CRAFT

Road signs to Heaven. Road signs communicate to us how to get somewhere, and what road conditions may exist. Before starting the craft, show the kids pictures of different road signs, like stop, no u-turn, library this way, speed limit, etc. Tell the class that road signs show us the way to go when driving, and the Bible shows us the way to go in life. We want to point people to Christ, so they can follow his way of living. To help point people in the right direction, make “road signs for life.” Use paper and coloring tools to create simple pictures that illustrate the Gospel. For example, write SIN in black and put a red circle with a slash through it around it. Draw a cross with someone kneeling before it and write “Free parking, anytime.” On a green background, write, in white, “Kingdom of God, population, YOU!” Draw a river or a chasm with a cross going across it and write “crosswalk.” Draw a stop sign and write “sinning” under the word “STOP.” These are just some examples. Let the kids get creative with their own ideas. You may be surprised by their creativity and spiritual understanding!

CLOSE IN PRAYER AND SNACK TIME