

Topic: Proper Humanity – Light

Note: The practical applications provided in the lesson are offered as suggestions to help the saints in their preparation. They are not meant to direct or limit the ways in which the focus of the lesson can be applied. The saints are encouraged to pray and contact the Lord to receive His burden and guidance in teaching and applying the lesson. Fellowship with other saints, and inquiring of the children themselves, may also bring out many helpful applications.

Elementary:

Verse: “The light of the righteous rejoices, but the lamp of the wicked goes out” (Proverbs 13:09).

Focus: We should love light and hate darkness. We should make a distinction between the two and choose light.

Practical Application: Ask the children to list things that are opposites. Make sure one of the things on the list is light vs. darkness. Ask them which one they should be. Also ask them how they would feel being in a bright room and contrast that with their feelings in a dark room. Ask them if they would like to live in a dark cave or in a room with an illuminating light. Show them that in the world there is light and darkness, and that they are associated with people and actions. We should be with people that are bright and righteous and not with people that are sneaky and evil.

Song: “This little light of mine.”

Intermediate:

Verse: “Watch out therefore that the light which is in you is not darkness” (Luke 11:35).

Focus: We should be careful about not letting our light go out. Many things can cause our light to dim such as lying, being disrespectful, etc.

Practical Application: We should be careful about many things that can cause our light to dim. For example, it may not seem like a big deal to just utter a little lie (you can use different applications, like speaking disrespectfully, etc.). But then we may need to tell a bigger lie to cover up the first lie. In this way, the first little lie that did not seem to be a big deal has “begotten” many bigger lies. In the process, our light has dimmed and we feel terrible inside about the lies. We should be careful not to lie and to keep the light shining brightly.

Song: “This little light of mine.”

Advanced:

Verse: “In the same way, let your light shine before men, so that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in the heavens” (Matthew 5:16).

Focus: Light should not be hidden, but should function to illuminate the surroundings. In the same way, we should not hide the fact that we believe God and love God.

Practical Application: Our friends at school may ridicule people that love God. Our teacher may also reflect such sentiments. In spite of this, we should not hide the fact that we believe there is a God. We should not pretend to go along with them and mock God. Positively, we can warmly welcome them to a children’s meeting or share with them about God. The serving one may consider sharing a personal experience about how they were attracted to people that stood up for their belief in God and how that was a light to the people around them.