

# Children's Ministry

3rd & 4th Grade

Leviticus 18:1-30

April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009

## Lesson Plan:

Main Point: Living out holiness for gospel testimony

Basic Idea: We should live different than the world to call people to Jesus

How we get there: ..you do not practice any of the abominable customs which have been practiced before you...Leviticus 18:30

### At a glance:

Have the children look over Leviticus 18:24-30 with you. (You can either have them do this together as a group, in smaller groups, or even read the text to them). Have them answer the following:

1. What effect does sin have upon the surrounding nations?
2. What effect can sin have upon the Israelites?
3. How did God have the land respond to these nations?
4. What should motivate us toward God's charge?

### Digging Deeper: Matthew 5:14-17

1. Can a city on a hill be hidden? Why not?
2. Why do we turn on a light? Do we cover a light when we turn it on?
3. What is the light that shines before the world?
4. Who should get the credit for it?

### Explaining it:

Today's lesson is actually teaching two concepts: Expiation and Propitiation

Explain to the children that God desires that we are different than others in the world, so that they see Jesus. The difference that Jesus desires is in our behavior. We should not do sinful things like people who don't love Jesus, but should obey what Jesus desires to show people we love Jesus. Then, when they ask questions, we can point them to Jesus. When we love Jesus and obey Jesus, we do not get the credit for obeying Him. We should give thanks to Jesus and tell people He is the reason we are different! We have the opportunity to present the gospel to them!

Ask the kids:

1. **Do I obey Jesus because I love Him?**
2. **Why should I expect some people to not like the fact that I am different?**

**"Nailing It"** **John 1:4-5**—*In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness does not comprehend it.* The goal of letting our light shine is to reveal Jesus to others. It is not to call attention to ourselves, but to the message that Jesus died for us. Therefore, when we fail to be light, we can still point people to the Light by confessing our sin and asking Jesus for forgiveness!



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