

WHO SHOULD WE OBEY?

Some people we should obey, others we should not, but we should always follow and obey Jesus.

TOPICS:

Following Jesus, Obedience, Spiritual Growth

MATERIALS:

Activity sheet for each child [ATTACHED]
Pencils



DURATION:

Approximately 7 minutes

PREPARATION:

Before class, print out one copy of the activity page for each child.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

Explain to the children that God wants us to obey certain people, but not others. Have the children circle the people they should obey. Next have the students draw an "X" over the people they should not obey.

Discussion Questions:

1. What type of people should we obey? *(We should obey people who keep us safe, help us grow, and those that help us get closer to Jesus.)*
2. What type of people should we not obey? *(We should not obey people that want to hurt us or steal from us or those people who are a bad influence.)*

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KEEP IT UP!

Being an obedient child of God is an everyday thing. We need to keep it up!

TOPICS:

Behavior, Choices, Obedience

MATERIALS:

Large balloons of assorted colors



DURATION:

Approximately 10 minutes

PREPARATION:

Before class, blow up many colorful balloons, so you have more than one for each child.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

You start by placing the same number of balloons as children on the floor in the middle of the room. When you say go, the children will try to keep all of the balloons up in the air, without letting any touch the ground. With one balloon for each child, this should be easy for them. Then you will add a few more balloons, and have them try again. Then add a few more, and try a third time. Continue until all of the balloons are in play.

WHAT YOU WILL SAY:

We all know how hard it is sometimes to obey. However, to be like Jesus, obedient children of God, we must try. However, being obedient is not just a one time thing. For example, our parents tell us to go to bed every night. We can't just do it one time and think we're okay.

This fun game kind of shows us what being an obedient child is like. We have to pay attention. We must always be ready to obey. We need to know who we should obey.

The Bible says some interesting things about obedience. In the book of Ephesians, it says, "Children, obey your parents, for this is right in the Lord." And in Colossians, it says, "Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord."

So how can we obey God? One way, and a very important way, is to obey our parents.