

Sunday School Lesson 7 (Primaryes)

Unit Theme: Esther—Obedience to God

Title: Haman's Plot

Scripture: Esther 3

Lesson Objective: The child will learn to be kind to others through Haman's bad example.

Materials needed: Ephesians 4:32 verse visual

Blank newspaper sheets, black paint, and small paint brushes

1. Sing CHRISTIAN song.
2. Open in prayer.
3. Learn the verse and ask children ways they can be kind to one another as Christians.
4. Begin the Lesson.
5. Close with the activity.

Introduction: Ask review questions from the last lesson and start immediately into the lesson to have time for the closing activity.

Progression of events outline:

1. Haman is promoted.
2. Mordecai would not bow to Haman like everyone else at the palace did.
3. Haman was angry at Mordecai and plotted against his people, the Jews.
4. Haman gets the King's approval to write a decree against the Jews without the King knowing what people he was plotting against.
5. The scribes wrote the letters and they were sent by posts instructing the people of all the provinces to destroy and kill the Jews. (climax)
6. Haman and the King sat down to drink, but the city Shushan was perplexed.

Conclusion: Instead of writing a destructive and harmful decree like Haman did, you can write kind and helpful decrees. Use the paint to write your own decree of kindness on the newspaper. Use some of the ideas you mentioned earlier when you were learning the verse. Remember that we can show our obedience to God as Christians by being kind to one another since God commands us to be.