

I. Department Level: Juniors

II. Unit 2 Title: Sermon on the Mount

III. Lesson 13: God's Provision

IV. Lesson Concept: God's provision

V. Instructional Objectives:

A. The child will recite from memory Philippians 4:19 from memory with no more than two helps.

B. The child will explain the meaning of Philippians 4:19.

C. The child will give a personal example of application of Philippians 4:19.

V. Materials Needed:

VI. Opening Activities:

A. We Thank Thee

B. Thank-you Lord

C. Count Your Many Blessings (chorus)

VII. Memory Verse Activity:

The teacher will instruct the students to open their Bibles to the memory verse, Philippians 4:19. The teacher will read the verse aloud as the children read the verse to themselves. The children will read the verse out-loud. The teacher will define any confusing words or concepts (i.e. "need"). The students will read the verse out-loud again with the teacher. Some of the children will each get to write one word of the verse on the whiteboard. The children will all say the verse in unison. The teacher will explain the meaning of the verse with application. One group of children will say the first half of the verse and the other group, the second. The groups will then switch portions of the verse and repeat it again. The teacher will

erase all of the words except the first letter of each word. The children will say the verse again out-loud using just the prompts. The verse will be completely erased, and the children will say the verse out-loud. The children will be asked questions regarding the application of the verse, as given before. The children will say the verse out-loud one final time in unison.

## VIII. Sequence of Activities

### A. Activate prior knowledge:

The teacher will read Matthew 6:31-34. What are these verses tell us that we must not worry about? God promises to provide for our needs. What are some things that you need? Have you ever needed something so badly, but felt God wanting you to give it to Him? The widow woman in our story today, was in desperate need of something, but when she felt God asking her for it, she willingly gave it to Him, trusting that He would provide for her needs. The same is true for you. If you obey God, and try to please Him by giving Him your life, your money, your toys, that is, allowing Him to have control of these things, He promises to take care of your needs.

### B. Instruction:

I Kings 17:8-16

I. Elijah had a need that God provided for.

A. Elijah needed food.

B. The widow gave what she had to feed Elijah.

II. The widow had a need but willingly gave to God's servant.

A. The widow needed the food for herself.

B. Even though she was in need, she gave what she had to help Elijah.

III. God supplied for the widow's need.

A. The jar of oil and barrel of meal never went empty until God sent rain.

B. Her needs were met.

IV. God promises to meet our needs.

A. You must not worry about what to eat, what to wear, or where you will live, because God has promised to provide for your needs.

B. In Philippians 4:19 God promises to meet our needs when we are giving our lives and money and things to Him, for Him to use.

C. Lesson Application:

Any need that we have God promises to provide for. Have you ever needed a new pair of shoes? This is a need God promises to take care of. When you have a need what should you do? Will God answer your prayers, when you are obeying His Word and looking to Him to provide for a need? Does God promise to provide ever want that we have? God will take care of our needs, but we must be obeying Him. You can know that God will take care of your needs when you are obeying Him, and you must not worry about any needs that you have.

D. Lesson Closure:

1. Can anyone quote Philippians 4:19, our memory verse?
2. What does our memory verse Philippians 4:19 promise to us?
3. What is a need?
4. How did God provide for the widow's need?
5. What is a need that you may have that God promises to provide for?
6. What must you be doing for God to provide for you?
7. Does God provide for those who aren't obeying Him?
8. Do disobedient people receive a blessing?

F. Evaluation:

1. The child recited from memory Philippians 4:19 with no more than two helps.
2. The child explained the Philippians 4:19.
3. The child gave a personal example of application of Philippians 4:19.