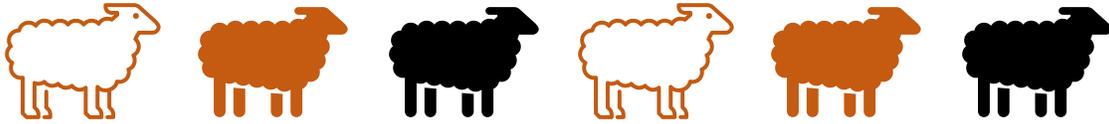


Sunday School Lesson

Sunday, July 19, 2020 Seventh Sunday After Pentecost



“Go now to Bethlehem, to a man named Jesse, because I have chosen one of his sons to be king.”

While labeled Sunday School, please feel free to use these ideas in a way that blesses your family. You do not have to do all the activities nor do you need to do them on Sunday morning. You can use whatever translation of the Bible or Children’s Bible you have in your home.

Read: 1 Samuel 16: 1-13

Activities and Background:

Remember Samuel from last week, who at first mistook God’s voice for Eli’s. Eli helped Samuel to realize it was God speaking to him. Well Samuel is older now and God is still speaking to him. Here God instructs Samuel to anoint the one who will be King.

1. Read the story.
 - I wonder how the oil felt when Samuel anointed David.
 - I wonder if David felt different after he was anointed.
 - I wonder if there was a time you felt touched by God. Did you feel different?
2. A trip to a sheep farm would be great for young children. Here they could imagine being a shepherd boy like David.
 - I wonder what a shepherd does.
 - I wonder if David was a good shepherd to his father’s sheep.
 - I wonder if you can be a shepherd even if you have no sheep.
3. Older children might want to think more about the culture of the time. A time when family inheritance and honor went to the first born rather than the youngest. This is why David was not even considered worthy of being brought before Samuel. Can you think of other times in the scriptures where God does something completely different from cultural or human expectations?
4. Read the scripture one more time and draw a picture to go with it. Glue cotton balls on for sheep.
5. Say the prayer of dedication from last week:
 - Dear Lord, Here I am, speak and I will listen.
 - Help me Lord to understand what you are telling me. Amen.