

Topic: God is True (Lesson 17)

Note: The practical applications provided in the lesson are offered as suggestions to help the saints in their preparation. They are not meant to direct or limit the ways in which the focus of the lesson can be applied. The saints are encouraged to pray and contact the Lord to receive His burden and guidance in teaching and applying the lesson. Fellowship with other saints, and inquiring of the children themselves, may also bring out many helpful applications.

Elementary:

Verses: “But Jehovah is the true God; He is the living God” (Jeremiah 10:10a). (memory verse)
“...serve a living and true God” (1 Thessalonians 1:9b).

Focus: Our God is true and living. He is real and genuine, not fake or pretend.

Practical Application: Consider giving several illustrations to compare what is true and what is fake. For example, can you use toy money to buy food at the store? Can a toy fire truck put out a fire? God is true and real. He is not pretend or fake.

Intermediate:

Verses: “Righteous and true are Your ways” (Revelation 15:3b). (memory verse)
“True and righteous are Your judgments” (Revelation 16:7b).

Focus: God is true and righteous in His ways and in His works. To be true is to be genuine, sincere, honest, trustworthy, and faithful.

Practical Application: Consider asking the children if they act the same way in private (at home, towards their parents and siblings) and in public (in school, with their friends). Do they behave the same way when the teacher is watching them and when he/she is not? Encourage the children to be true (the same) in their behavior whether they are at home or in public. This kind of genuine and honest behavior is just like God who is always true, i.e., sincere, trustworthy, and faithful toward us and in all that He does.

Advanced:

Verses: “And He said, Write, for these words are faithful and true” (Revelation 21:5b). (memory verse)
“But let your word be, Yes, yes; No, no” (Matthew 5:37a).

Focus: God is true and faithful in His word. There is nothing deceptive, false, hypocritical, or erroneous in everything He says. Every word that He says is true and will come to pass.

Practical Application: When the Lord was on earth, some men watched Him closely, hoping to catch Him in His speech (Mark 12:13; Luke 11:54, 20:20) but they never found any falsehood or inconsistency in His words. His words were always true and unchanging. How many times have we promised to do something and then end up not doing what we promised to do?