

**Friends Do the Right Thing**  
**Lesson: Forming and Following Conscience**  
**Grades PK-Kindergarten Lesson**



**Goal:**

Students will learn what a conscience is and how they can begin to form theirs. They will learn about the role of conscience in making choices. They will learn that they can be leaders in doing good to help their friends make good choices too.

**Lesson:**

Sometimes we hear God talking to us in our lives, but most often his voice is hard to hear. So, we listen to the voices of others who love us—parents, siblings, teachers. They help us to choose what is right and avoid what will hurt us. God helps people in our lives to know how to teach us so we learn to do what is good for us.

**Sing and Dance:**

Listen to the song, “Jesus Loves Me”, letting kids sing and dance. What does this song tell us about Jesus’ love? Is it for everyone or just some people? Is it for all the time or just sometimes?

**Scripture:**

Watch the story of Mary and Elizabeth.

Questions:

1. Why does Mary go to visit Elizabeth?
2. What is happening to both Mary and Elizabeth in the story?
3. How does Elizabeth’s baby know that baby Jesus is there visiting him?
4. Even though Mary was going to have a baby and didn’t really want to walk all the way to Elizabeth’s house, she did anyway. How did God reward her for her kindness?

**Watch:**

Watch the story of The Boy Who Cried Wolf or The Prize Pumpkin

Questions for The Boy Who Cried Wolf:

1. Why did the boy cry wolf?
2. How many times did the townspeople come to help him?
3. What happened when the wolf really did come?
4. Why didn’t the townspeople go help him the last time?
5. What does this teach us about lying?

Questions for The Prize Pumpkin:

1. What was the contest about?
2. What did Papa and Farmer Ben do to try to win?
3. Who won the contest? What did the competition do to the friendship?
4. What lesson did Papa Bear learn about how to treat his friends?

**Activity:**

Discuss the Ten Commandments briefly. Let the kids know that these are God's very basic rules for us to follow in order to live a happy life and help others to be happy too. These include things like don't make fun of people and don't take other people's things. They can also include big things like don't be jealous of people and always make sure that God is the most important person in your life.

With the Ten Commandments in mind, ask students to act out whichever of the videos you watched (Boy Who Cried Wolf or Prize Pumpkin) but doing the right thing instead of the wrong thing. How does making a good choice change the outcome of the story? Are people happier in the story when a good choice is made? Is it easy or hard to make a good choice?

Pray the prayer below with the students to ask God to help us choose kindness.

**Dear Jesus,**

**I want to hear you when you talk to me.  
Help me to follow you by loving my family and friends.  
Show me how to choose to do good things everyday.  
Please always watch over us and keep us safe.**

**Amen.**

