

Teach Us to Pray: Lesson 3

SuperTruth: Jesus sends us out in His name.

SuperVerse: “The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask Him to send more workers into His fields.” Luke 10:2b (NLT)

Bible Story: Matthew 6:9–13; 9:36–38; 17:1–9,14–20; Mark 9:2–9,14–29, Luke 9:28–43; 10:1–9,17–22; 11:1–4

LARGE GROUP / GRADES 1–6

This is the last lesson of our Superbook adventure, “Teach Us to Pray.” Jesus sent out His followers to spread God’s love and peace; Today, He sends us out with the same mission!

- Superbook takes Chris, Joy and Gizmo to meet Jesus, who teaches the disciples how to pray with power and how to take authority over demons. He also teaches them the Lord’s Prayer. When the kids return, Chris and his grandma pray the Lord’s prayer together.
- Let’s watch the Signposts video to learn some of the many ways in which Jesus fulfills the Lord’s Prayer.

SMALL GROUP / GRADES 1–6

Game: The More the Better! (15 minutes)

Objective: It’s harvest time in God’s fields.

- In this game you are workers in God’s harvest, and you will go into His field to gather the people represented by the paper balls.

Game Instructions:

- Give each player two spoons and have each team stand beside a different container. The first players will “go into the fields” for one minute to gather the harvest by picking up the balls using only their spoons and put them into their team’s container. Count the balls in each container and record the scores. Play again with other teams until all teams have played.

Teaching: Our Perfect Model (15 minutes)

Objective: Learn how Jesus taught and fulfilled the Lord’s Prayer.

- The Lord’s Prayer has become the most well-known of all Christian prayers. Jesus not only taught The Lord’s Prayer, He fulfilled it! Every line of the prayer reminds us of Jesus!

Take Home Activity—Discipleship Challenge (2 minutes)

- The challenge is to learn and pray Matthew 6:13 each day. Then add it to the first two sections you are memorizing, Matthew 6:9–12. You can use your bookmark for this, or read it in your Bible or the Superbook Bible App. Think about what you are praying and don’t rush through it.

SuperVerse: Superbook Workers (5 minutes)

Objective: Memorize the SuperVerse with a group activity.

- How great is God’s harvest? There are billions of people in the world today!
- Divide the class into teams of 2–4 children. The cards represent a field and each of you is being sent out as workers into the harvest to gather the cards with the SuperVerse written on them. You will work as teams. Teams will send out one player at a time to find a card needed to build the SuperVerse. That player will return and then another will be sent out.

Prayer: Harvest Prayers (5 minutes)

Objective: Communicate with God.

- There is much to be done. That’s why Jesus tells us to pray for workers to go into the fields.
- In our prayer time today, we will go around the circle. Everyone will have an opportunity to pray aloud a sentence or two, asking God to send workers to share the Good News or the Gospel. You may pray specifically and ask God to send workers into a certain place, like your school, city, or neighborhood.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (REFER TO THE LESSON GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS)

Match Game: Play a game to learn more about prayer that pleases God. | **Grades 1–6** | 15 min

Maze Activity: Choose the correct paths to reach people for God’s kingdom. | **Grades 1–3** | 10 min

Review Game: Play a true and false game to review the Bible lesson. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min

Bible Activity: Look up verses about sharing the Gospel of Christ. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min

Game Materials Needed:

- Two medium size boxes or containers
- Twenty plastic spoons— with extras for breakage
- 60–80 sheets of scrap paper crumpled into balls
- God’s Kingdom Sign
- Tape
- Timer, such as a clock or watch with second hand, stopwatch, or timer app
- Whiteboard and marker, or chalkboard and chalk
- Leader or volunteer to keep score

Teaching Materials Needed:

- Three Signpost Cards
- Three sheets of Cardstock or paper
- Optional: tape
- Bibles or the Superbook Bible App
- The Lord’s Prayer Page, and materials for any children who missed the previous lessons
- Sample craft from Lesson 1

SuperVerse Materials Needed:

- Whiteboard and marker, or chalkboard and chalk
- Cardstock: two sheets per team of 2–4 children
- Scissors

Prayer Materials Needed:

- Bible or the Superbook Bible App