

JESUS FORGAVE PETER

Sunday School Lesson



Create Curiosity:

Show pictures of people the children will know and some they will not know. One by one, show the pictures and ask the children if they know the person - yes or no.

Tell the children that today, they will hear about a man who pretended not to know someone.



Teaching Time: Luke 22

Show your Bible. Say, The Bible tells us about one day when Jesus told one of his followers named Peter, there would come a day when he would deny Him - or say he didn't even know Him! Peter responded, "No way. I will never do that!" Jesus said, before the rooster crows, you will deny me 3 times!

Some time later, soldiers came to take Jesus away. [Have the children stand and march in place.] The religious leaders of that time thought Jesus had done something wrong, but Jesus had not done anything wrong.

The soldiers took Jesus to the High Priest's house. Peter followed after them. He was standing in the courtyard by a fire that the soldiers and servants had made, waiting to see what would happen to Jesus.

A girl said, "Hey, you are one of Jesus' followers!" Peter said, "No, I am not!"

Later, someone else said, "Hey, you are one of Jesus' followers!" Peter said, "No, I am not!"

Later, someone else said, "Hey, you are one of Jesus' followers!" Peter said, "No, I am not! I do not even know Him!"

Just then, the rooster crowed. [Ask, What does a rooster sound like?]

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Peter remembered what Jesus had said. He was so sad that he had lied and denied Jesus. He cried and cried!

Jesus was not mad at Peter. Jesus loved Peter. Even though Peter lied, Jesus forgave him. Jesus loves us too and is always ready to forgive us when we ask.

Some time later, Peter became a great preacher who helped others know who Jesus is.



Craft Corner:

Rooster - Use plastic forks dipped into paint to paint a rooster. Rooster printable is included with this lesson plan.



Sing a Song:

You Forgive Me

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XEfmOm-aLB8&t=69s>



Group Game:

Call out a farm animal and have the kids act it out.

