

FUN FISH Session 14: Jesus Cares - BEIGE – “Where Are You, Sheep?”

Memory Line: “Always try to be kind.” (1 Thessalonians 5: 15)

Sing Song:

Welcome:

Colour and Topic: BEIGE is colour all of us sometimes get. If we trip over a toy and bump our knees, we might get a little BEIGE scab. It really hurts. And if we see someone else trip, we will know how it feels, because it has happened to us.

Bible Story “Where Are You, Sheep?” (Matt 12: 11-12)

Dolls, puppets, or dressed-up wooden spoons:

Jesus

Person who asks the funny question

The sheep owner

A sheep puppet

Materials needed:

Beige cloth for hole

Beige Rope

Reflective Time (interactive):

Is there someone you can help? Maybe it is your mum or dad, brother or sister? Do you think if they call you, that you could help them right away? Review the memory line and remember that whenever you see the colour beige, Jesus cares.

Short Prayer: “Dear God, help us to be helpful. Amen.”

Sing song:

“Toddlers in COLOUR” card for this session:



Story 14: “Where Are You, Sheep?” (Matthew 12: 11 – 12)

Someone asked Jesus a funny question. “Is it wrong to help someone on my day off?” So, Jesus told them a story.

“Imagine if a someone has a sheep and this one is his favourite. He loves it and hugs it. He gives it special food. He knits it a scarf. Then one day his sheep falls into a hole, but he doesn’t know it.

He sits outside in his BEIGE chair. He sips his juice and reads a book. He smiles and stops to look around. Where is his precious sheep?

Now, do you think he would say, “This is my day off. If my sheep is lost, that its problem. I’m not going to worry, because I’m having a break.”

NO! He jumps up and calls, “Sheepy! Sheepy! Where are you?” He listens. Shhhh! Maybe he can hear it. He runs around in circles looking for it.

Suddenly he hears, “BAA! BAA!”

Now, do you think he will smile and say, “Ah, I can hear it. No need to worry. I’ll go back to reading my book.”

NO! He runs towards the sound. He finds his sheep in a hole - a very, very deep hole. His sheep is scratched and sad. All BEIGE and dirty, instead of white. Now, do you think he will say, “Oh, my sheep can’t go anywhere. I’ll just leave it there. I’ll go finish my book.”

NO! He runs back to the house. He gets some BEIGE rope. He pulls out his sheep. He hugs it and pats it. “Oh, my beautiful sheep,” he will say, “I am so happy I found you.”

But he doesn’t go back to his book. He carries his sheep home. He puts plasters on its scratches. He completely forgets that it is his day off because he loves his sheep so much...

Then Jesus turned to the person and said, “If you know it is right to rescue your special sheep on your day off, it is always right to help someone on your day off. You see, people are much more precious than sheep.”