



MEMORY VERSE

“For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.” (Luke 19:10)

INTRODUCTION

(Cover your eyes and say the following, pretending to be playing hide-and-seek.)
 “1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10. Ready or not, here I come!” *(Uncover eyes.)* What game is that?
(Allow response.) Yes, hide and seek! When you’re playing that game, what does it
 mean to “seek”? *(Allow response.)* To look for. Someone is seeking you. Our memory
 verse today tells us who!

PRESENTATION

(Read Luke 19:10 from your Bible.) This book is called the Bible. It’s different from any
 other book because it is God’s book. It is God’s Word to you and me so we can know
 Him. He gave us the Bible out of His great love for us because God is love! The Bible is
 a big book so I’m going to help you know how to find the verse we are learning today.
 There are two parts to the Bible—the Old Testament and the New Testament. The Old
 Testament tells us of the Savior who would come and save people from sin. What is the
 Savior’s name? *(Allow response.)* Jesus! The New Testament tells us about Jesus and
 what He did when He was on Earth and what He is still doing today. Our verse today
 is in the New Testament in the book of Luke. Luke is the name of the man God used
 to write this book. We can find the book of Luke by looking in the front of the Bible at
 the Table of Contents. *(Show in your Bible.)* Once we find the book of Luke, we need to
 go to chapter 19—we’ll keep turning until we find the big number 19. *(Look up verse in
 your Bible.)* Now we need to find verse 10, which is the small number in chapter 19. And
 there it is! *(Look up verse in your Bible.)* Since you can’t see that, I have it here on the
 big visual to look at. *(Read verse together with the children from the visual, starting and
 ending with the reference.)* Do you recognize the words of this verse? This verse is what
 Jesus said to Zacchaeus after Zacchaeus had believed in Him! Let’s talk about what this
 verse means.

EXPLANATION

For the Son of Man—This is a name Jesus used for Himself. Jesus is fully God and fully
 man. He called Himself “Son of Man” because in the Old Testament that was one of the
 names for the Savior who would come. When He called Himself “Son of Man,” He was
 telling people He is man but also God. He was telling them He is the Savior!

is come—Jesus came to Earth as a baby at the time God had planned. When He grew
 up He taught people about God and did miracles. But His main reason for coming was
 to take the punishment of your sin and mine by dying on the cross and coming alive
 again. He is called the Savior because He would save people from sins punishment.

to seek and to save that which was lost—Jesus came to look for those who are “lost.”
 The “lost” means those who are living without God and are in need of being found
 by Him. It is talking about people who have not yet trusted in Jesus for forgiveness
 of their sin.

Jesus, the Son of God, came to Earth to live as a man so He could die to save us
 from our sin.

Preschool Memory Verse

For preschoolers, teach “For the Son of man is come...” Luke 19:10

Introduction

Ask the children if anyone has given them a nickname. Tell them the Bible tells us about a nickname Jesus has.

Presentation

Read verse from Bible. Remind them the Bible is God’s true Word. It is true all of the time.

Explanation

Explain that “Son of man” is the nickname for Jesus. Tell them this nickname tells us that Jesus is the Savior God promised. Explain that “is come” means that God kept His promise to send a Savior by sending Jesus to Earth.

Materials

Visualized Bible Verse Booklet
(See 5-Day Club kit.)

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Lesson 1

Preschool Application

Unsaved: Jesus came to Earth to save you from your sin. Will you believe in Him today?

Saved: If you have believed in Jesus, people should be able to tell that you love Jesus and want to do what is right. Say with me, **"God can change me!"** (*Say with children.*) God can change you to help you want to do what is right.

Preschool Repetition "Ring the Bell"

Materials:
Bell

Tell the children to say the verse whenever you ring the bell. Tell them to say "Luke 19:10" at the beginning and end of the verse. If time allows, let each child have a turn ringing the bell.

APPLICATION

Unsaved: Jesus knows everything about you. He wants to save you! This verse says that if you haven't trusted in Jesus, you are still lost in your sin. But Jesus died and came alive again to save you. Will you trust in Him today?

Saved: If you have already trusted Jesus as your Savior, others should be able to see the difference God makes in your life because you are no longer lost in your sin. Does your life show that Jesus has found you and saved you?

REPETITION

"Freeze"

(Choose an action; e.g., jumping jacks, running in place, the hokey pokey, etc. On the count of three, everyone will do that action until you say "Freeze!" Then everyone will stay in that position and say the verse. You may choose another action or let the children take turns choosing what to do next. Repeat as time allows.)