

SUNDAY SCHOOL TAKE HOME PAGE

To parents:

This page lets you know what your child learned today in Sunday School. Included are "Words to Remember" from the Bible, a suggested activity to reinforce the lesson, and a short prayer. Being involved and interacting with your child can be very rewarding for both of you.

What We Learned:



Today your child learned about the good shepherd and his sheep. Likewise, your child discovered that Jesus is our Good Shepherd. He is the one who takes care of us, guides us, and leads us away from bad things like the wolves, bears, and lions in today's story. Like sheep, we need to follow Jesus. Your child also learned that Jesus laid down His life for us, like a shepherd lays down his life for his sheep. Jesus died on the cross so that we could live with Him forever. That is how much our Good Shepherd loves us. (Scripture used: John 10:11-15)

Words to Remember:

(Bible versions used are selected to help young children learn and understand the meaning of scripture.)



**"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep."
John 10:11 NIV**

Practice this verse several times with your child during the week. This will not only help your child to remember the verse, but also it will help to reinforce what he or she learned during class.

Suggested Parent/Child Activity:



Play a little game of role-play with your child. You can be the shepherd and your child can be a sheep. If you have other children, let them play as sheep also. Blindfold your child, or if you can trust that your child will not cheat, let him or her keep both eyes closed. As the shepherd, you must keep your child away from harm as you instruct him or her how to walk around the living room, or around an outdoors obstacle course. Then, switch roles and let your child become the shepherd and lead you around the room. After the game, talk about how important it is for your child to trust in God the same way he or she trusted you when you played the role of shepherd. The point of this activity is to show that we can come to harmful places in our lives, but God will be there to guide us and help us out of them when we trust in Him.

Daily Prayer:



Dear Lord, thank You for caring for us and keeping us safe. We know that we cannot be spared from every bad thing, but it is good to know that You are there to guide us and to help us in every situation. We are like sheep and need someone to guide and protect us. Thank You, Lord, for being our Good Shepherd. Amen.