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## How To Use The Lesson Plans

1. Lesson plans are a page long. Each plan is followed by a page that explains the activities in more detail. After reading through the two pages a couple of times, you can just look at the activity name on the first page and remember what to say and do. The plans are not scripts to be read aloud. They are just your prompts as you talk to the children about their great God. It is understood that you will pray with the children during each class. Prayer is not specifically listed in the lesson plans.
2. Lessons include activities and songs. Children are encouraged to participate in each activity by “playing” with the visual aids. Babies participate in the songs by playing rhythm instruments (rattles, drums, small tambourines, etc.) or waving flags. Keep these items readily available in your room. They are not mentioned in the lesson plan material list. Although babies are encouraged to participate, they are not “required” to participate. Sleeping babies are always welcome in class. Spiritual truth is aimed at the spirit, not the mind.
3. Each lesson contains several items used to illustrate the teachings. Put these in a large box. It is too distracting to the children if your teaching aids are all out in plain view. Each plan has a Materials Needed section at the end. Use it as a checklist for packing your lesson box. Keep rhythm instruments or flags in your box for every lesson. They are not listed in the plan.
4. Most activities are illustrated using common household items and toys. Some activities require you to cut out the activity patterns included with each unit. Copy these patterns onto card stock, then laminate your finished products so they can be reused. They are not intended to be sent home with the children.
5. At some point during each lesson, Bibles will be handed out to the children. Bible songs are sung at this time, but no instruments are used. Purchase small New Testament Bibles that their little hands can manage. They can open the Bibles, and you can help them treat the Bibles respectfully. (You do not have to locate the correct page for each child. Some quotes are from the Old Testament. It’s okay that the words are not on the page in front of them. They will hear the Word from you.) All Bible verses are taken from the New International version, unless otherwise noted.

6. You will need to make a few purchases for this unit. Buy a set of small New Testament Bibles. You want something that little hands can manage. Also you need a Jesus doll. Usually Christian book stores sell these. If you wish to purchase a Jesus doll online, you might try [www.CookMinistries/FaithKidz.com](http://www.CookMinistries/FaithKidz.com) (The entire two year curriculum uses these items repeatedly.)

7. Some lessons require the use of small dolls. You can use a doll house family, or the people that come with the large snap-together building blocks.

Decorate and laminate the crowns and staple a length of elastic around the back so the children can wear them easily.

You can make small flags for the children to wave by cutting triangular pennant shapes out of felt and super-gluing them to dowel rods.

If you print the Children of the World pictures from the activity pattern section of this unit, be sure to laminate them. I think it would be preferable to get better pictures from another source. Try a teacher supply store or magazines such as Kids of Courage (a division of Voice of the Martyrs.)

## Lesson 3 - A House Of Prayer

Activity 1 - Bibles

*(Read Matthew 21:12-15)*

Activity 2 - glove

*Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit. (1 Corinthians 6:19) What Jesus did long ago in the temple building, He is doing today in the temple of your heart.*

Activity 3 - heart, sin spots, Bible

*He cleans out our hearts with His word. (John 15:3)*

Song - This Is The Way God Cleans My Heart (p. 26)

Activity 4 - pray

*When Jesus cleans your heart, He calls it His house of prayer. Let's pray now.*

Activity 5 - light

*God's power doesn't flow through you until after He has cleansed your heart, and you have prayed. Then you are plugged in to God's power, like this light is plugged in.*

Song - I'm So Close To Jesus (p. 23)

Activity 6 - flags

*As God's power flows through you and touches others, it will cause praise to be lifted to God.*

Song - I Love You, Jesus (p. 23)

## **Activities for lesson 3 - A House Of Prayer**

### Activity 1 - Bibles

Sing “The Word Of God” (p. 19) as you hand a small Bible to each child. Quote the Bible verse and reference. Collect the Bibles as you sing “Sanctify Us” (p. 19).

### Activity 2 - glove

Bring a rubber kitchen glove. Show how empty and useless it is until it is filled with a hand. This is how we are, until we are filled with Jesus.

### Activity 3 - heart, sin spots, Bible

Place black sin spots on the heart (p. 31). Sweep them off with a Bible.

### Activity 4 - pray

Pray that Jesus would make each heart a house of prayer, and a fit temple for Him.

### Activity 5 - light

Bring a light that can be plugged in, such as a night light or strand of Christmas lights. Show the difference between a light that is plugged in to the power source and one that is not.

### Activity 6 - flags

Wave flags as you lift your “Hosanna’s” to the Lord! Use the flags for the final song.

### Materials needed:

small Bibles

glove

heart

sin spots

light

flags

The Word of God (Hebrews 4:12)

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The Word of God is liv - ing and ac - tive, work - ing in my heart.

Sanctify Us (John 17:17)

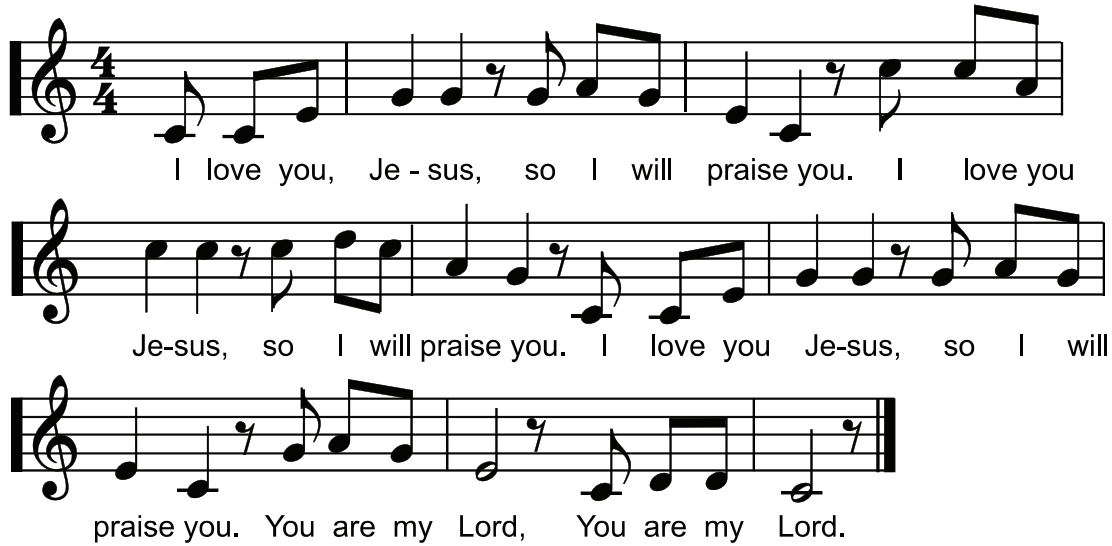
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Sanc - ti - fy us by the truth; Your Word is truth.

# I Love You, Jesus

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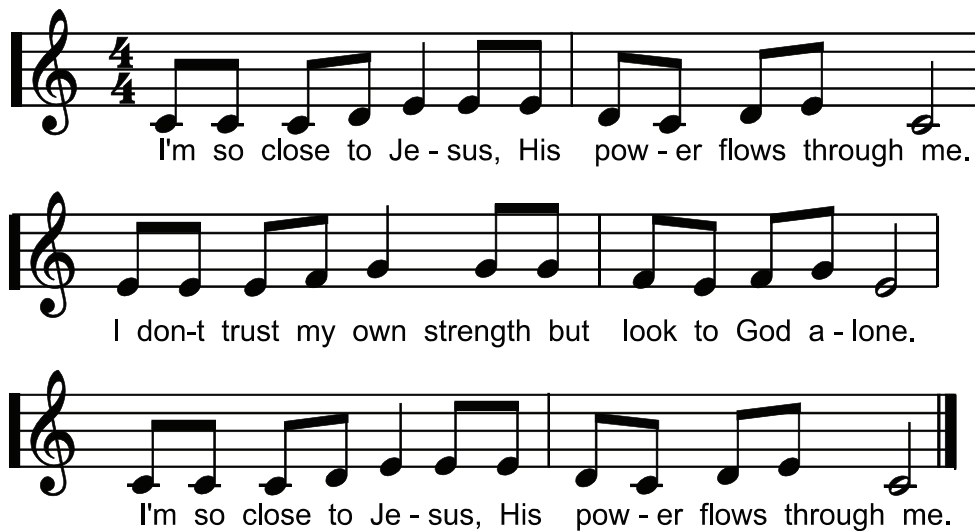


I love you, Je - sus, so I will praise you. I love you  
Je-sus, so I will praise you. I love you Je-sus, so I will  
praise you. You are my Lord, You are my Lord.

The melody is similar to "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"  
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# I'm So Close to Jesus

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I'm so close to Je - sus, His pow - er flows through me.  
I don-t trust my own strength but look to God a - lone.  
I'm so close to Je - sus, His pow - er flows through me.

## The Love That's in My Heart

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The love that's in my heart is flow - ing out my mouth and  
I am wor - ship - ing you, Lord. The love that's in my heart is  
flow - ing out my mouth and I am wor - ship - ing you.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes.

2. Yes, I will worship you in spirit and in truth, for  
This is what- you seek, Lord.  
Yes, I will worship you in spirit and in truth, for  
This is what- you seek.
3. Lord, you are present here, so this is holy ground,  
I worship you with my whole heart.  
Lord, you are present here, so this is holy ground,  
I worship you with my whole heart.

## This Is the Way God Cleans My Heart

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This is the way God cleans my heart, cleans my heart, cleans my heart.  
This is the way God cleans my heart. He does it with His Word.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in treble clef, key of D major (one sharp), and 6/8 time signature. The melody is simple and consists of quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across notes.

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