TOPHER'S WEEKLY LESSON

In the Bible, in the Book of Acts, the disciples told everyone about Jesus. When the people heard about Jesus and the amazing things He did, they became believers and followed Jesus.

The believers never yelled, "That's mine!" Instead, they shared everything they had with each other. If one believer needed food, another believer would share their lunch with them. If one believer needed clothes, another believer would give them a shirt. If one believer needed a place to stay, another believer would invite them inside.

There was a believer named Barnabas who loved to help and encourage people. One day, Barnabas sold his field and gave the money to the disciples so they could help other people with it.

Barnabas helped and encouraged a man named Paul. Wherever Paul went, Barnabas went too. He encouraged Paul and helped him tell everyone about Jesus.

Barnabas also helped and encouraged a man named Mark. Paul didn't think Mark was ready to travel with them, but Barnabas stuck with Mark anyway. He encouraged Mark and helped him grow wise and strong in his love for Jesus.

THE BIG IDEA: MY CHURCH HELPS ME AND I HELP MY CHURCH BIBLE BASIS: ACTS 4:36-37; 13:1-3; 15:36-41

ACTIVITY: MAY 10, 2020

That's Sad (Response to God Activity)

Supplies: GO! Home Guide (printed on back of coloring sheet, 1 per child), crayons

Question: In today's true Bible story, Barnabas sold his field and gave away the money to help other people. If you were Barnabas, what would you sell?

Directions: Give each child a GO! Home Guide and some crayons or markers. The sheet will have a space for children to draw. Tell the children to draw a picture of something that makes them feel sad right now or simply draw a sad face. When finished, ask the children to show their picture and to tell everyone what makes them feel sad.

Say: If you feel sad, it can be encouraging when people pray for you. Let's pray for each other and ask God to help us get through these sad things.

Prayer: Begin by asking if any of the children would like to pray. Allow any children who want to pray the opportunity to do so. When they're finished, close the prayer by asking Jesus to help each of the children get through the sad thing they talked about.

WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?

