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I love teaching your kids! This morning, a boy voluntarily recited to me--word perfect--ALL the memory passages he's learned so far in class (Ps. 139:17-18, John 20:30-31, and John 1:1-5) even though he had already recited them for points before. He was so excited, and so was I. God is definitely at work in Kidstuff! Praise Him!

If you're not already doing so, please be sure to check you child's progress each week after class on the class web portal to be sure their points are correct. The 10:30 service can be especially busy, and I definitely don't want any child to miss out on their points because either I messed up or they were too shy to get my attention to recite their verse or turn in their paper. I do my best to check with each child, but sometimes we have a bunch come in at the same time or right as the Warehouse begins, and it can be easy to lose track. You can use the phone/text/email links right on the web portal to message me (on the home page of the portal or under "resources" tab on your child's page) if you notice anything wrong.

LESSON

We watched John 4 from the <u>The Gospel of John</u> DVD. Here are some of the key points we discussed:

• The Samaritans were a people of mixed race in Israel, whom the Jews despised to the point that they wouldn't even share eating utensils. Yet

Jesus did not know any such prejudices, and freely shared the good news of the gospel with a Samaritan woman in Sychar.

- "Living water" is eternal life.
- We must worship God in "spirit" (from our hearts, not just outwardly) and in "truth" (God's revealed word about Himself). There are many people who worship God only outwardly, and have no real love for God in their hearts (e.g. many of the Pharisees). There are also many who sincerely worship in their heart what they think is God, but are actually worshipping a false god.
- Jesus' second sign/miracle proving He was God was when He healed an official's son. He had the power to heal by just saying the word!

MEMORY

"There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light." (John 1:6-8, ESV).

"John" here is John the Baptist (the preacher/prophet), not John the Apostle (the author of the Gospel of John). John the Baptist bore witness (told the truth) about the "light" (Jesus) but was himself merely a man, not the Son of God. He pointed all attention to Jesus and away from himself.

BONUS CLASS / DOCTRINES

Today's doctrines:

- God loves everyone.
- God is full or mercy.

In the Warehouse, Miss Ruthie talked to us about what mercy means--not getting what we deserve. Even though we deserve God's wrath for our sins, He mercifully provided a way to be made right before Him when Jesus took all

that wrath upon Him at the cross. In turn, we can also show mercy to others when they sin against us.

In activities class today, we played a game that was a cross between "Monkey in the Middle" and "Capture the Flag". One child guarded a ball in the middle of a large circle, while the rest of the kids were lined around the circle. The game leader chose one child to walk around the circle and "tag" other students to be the ones to try to go steal the ball without getting tagged by the guard. This was to illustrate how God is constantly pursuing us in His love. Here's a video of the kids playing this game from both the 10:30 and 5:00 services.



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