**2 and 3 Year Old Lesson Plan**

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**Bottom Line** Do Humility!

**B Bible Story** Jesus Washes Feet | John 13:1-17

**Humility -** **Putting others first by cheering them on.**

**Leader Note**

This paragraph was about to begin with this sentence: “Humility is in short supply these days” but a closer look at today’s story reminds us that humility has always been in short supply. It is so easy to think only of ourselves and what we want or think we deserve. Can you imagine the scene in John gospel. All the disciples have gathered to eat. Their feet are dirty from a long day of walking, and over on the table is the bowl of water and towel just sitting there. No one wants to clean feet that was the servant’s job, but the servant is nowhere to be found. Jesus then stands up, grabs the bowl and towel, and he washes the disciples’ feet. My guess is he does it without complaining or mumbling. Too often we focus only on ourselves that we completely neglect those around us. What a concept to think of others and cheer them on. As we wrap up VBC thank you for showing humility, you’ve given up your week to help campers feel loved and cared for, you’ve cheered them on. They will never forget you and how your represented Jesus to them for an entire week! The entire Resurrection Kid’s team is grateful for you, and we pray that you have an amazing day 4 of camp!

**Friendship Circle**

**What to do:** *Gather the kids on the floor in a circle. Welcome the kids to camp and then**sing the friendship song. Have each child stand up when you say their name. Then say the “Do Unto Others” chant.*

**What to say:** Hello everyone and welcome back to our final day of Vacation Bible Camp. This week we have been on the Jesus tour where we are learning to “Do Unto Others” and show love to everyone we meet. It’s time for our Friendship Song. Remember to stand up when you hear your name. Here we go!

**I know a girl/boy whose name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Stand up \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Say “Hi” to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Because Jesus loves you!**

Today on the Jesus Bus Tour we will be learning that we should treat each other with love and **humility**. I cannot wait to learn how we do this.It’s time for our “Do Unto Others” chant.

Leader says: I say Do, You say **Humility**

Leader says: Do

Kids say: **Humility**

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Kids say: **Humility**

*Repeat saying the words Kindness, Respect, Compassion*

*End with everyone saying this together getting louder each time*

Love everyone, love everyone, love everyone! (*Make a heart with your hands)*

**Praise & Worship Time**

**What you do***: Line the kids up at the door and move to worship space. During Worship we will sing, dance and hear the Bible story of the day.*

**Exploring the Bible Story**

**Supplies** –The Beginner’s Bible, Box buses (If using), stuffed animals

**What to do***: Have the children sit inside their pretend “bus” with their stuffed animals. Pretend to start driving the bus and talk about your next stop – the city. While you drive to the city, sing the Wheels on the Bus song. Finish by reading the Bible story.*

**What to say:**Everyone take a seat, it’s time to continue our “Do Unto Others” bus tour. Our next stop will be at the city where Jesus is preparing to eat with some special friends.

**What to sing:** The Wheels on the bus go round and round *(move your hands around in a circle)*

Round and round. Round and round. The wheels on the bus go round and round. All through the town.

* The wipers on the bus go swish, swish, swish *(move arms back and forth)*
* The horn on the bus goes beep, beep, beep *(press imaginary horn)*
* The kids on the bus say, “Jesus loves you!” *(say Jesus loves you! As you wave)*

**What to say:** Everyone look out the window. I think we are in the city and our next stop. I cannot wait to see what we will learn from Jesus today.

**What to read:** Washing Feet – pages 437-439 in The Beginner’s Bible

**What to say:**Jesus wanted to show his friends how much he cared for them so he used **Humility** and washed their smelly, dirty feet. Would you want to wash someone else’s dirty feet? *(discuss)* **Humility** is when we put others first and Jesus definitely did that by washing their feet.

Jesus wants us to remember to put others first and use **Humility** too.

If you can show **humility** let’s stand up with our pets.

If you can show **humility**—balance your pet on your head.

If you can show **humility** —toss your pet in the air and catch them.

If you can show **humility** —put your pet on your shoulder.

If you can show **humility** – say “I love Jesus!”

Great job showing **humility**. Now let’s thank Jesus for teaching us all about how to love others.

***What to pray:*** *Ask if anyone wants to pray and if not lead them in this echo prayer,*

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for teaching me,

To love everyone.

And DO HUMILITY.

Help me be a good listener,

And put others first.

I love you! Amen.

**Small Group Explorations (Bus stops)**

**#1 – Do Unto Others Banner**

**Supplies —** “Do Unto Others” Activity pages\*, crayons

**What to do:** *Have the children gather at the tables and give them an activity page. Set the crayons out on the tables. Have the children decorate their banner by coloring it.*

**What to say:** This week on the Jesus tour we have been learning to “Do Unto Others” and love everyone. Let’s make a poster to hang somewhere in our homes to remind us to Do Kindness, Do Respect, Do Compassion and Do Humility.

**What to talk about:***Where are you going to put your poster? What did you learn this week?*

**#2 – Humble Helpers**

**What to say:** We show **humility** when we do helper jobs especially when we don’t want to.

It’s time for us to work together to get our room all cleaned up and ready to end our week at Vacation Bible Camp.

**What to do:** *Have the children gather on the floor. Give each child a helper job to do in the classroom. Turn on some music and work together to clean up your room. Here are some suggestions for helper jobs: wipe off the tables, straighten the blocks, sweep the floor, dust the toy shelves, put away supplies, etc*

**#3 - Pet Tricks**

**Supplies —** pets

**What to say:** Another way we show humility is when we are willing to learn new things from others. And today I have some great tricks to teach you. So grab your pets and let’s get ready.

***What to do:*** *Teach the children some tricks to do with their pet pals and then have them try the trick. Here are some ideas: jump over something, dance on its hind legs, shake someone’s hand, do a somersault in the air, balance on top of your head etc. Invite the children to teach you some tricks too.*

**What to say:** It has been such an amazing week at Vacation Bible Camp. Thanks for showing love and kindness to each other and to your pets. I think we should have a kindness pet parade to celebrate. Everyone line up behind me.

***What to do:*** *Have the children line up with their pet behind you and march throughout the room. As you march around the room say the Do Unto Others Chant. Then turn on some music and let the children have a dance party to celebrate.*

**#4 - Roll the ball**

**Supplies** — Ball

**What to say:** Jesus loves each and every one of you. He loves name of each child. Let’s roll the ball to all our friends.

**What to do:** *Roll the ball to a child and say,* **Jesus loves name of child** *then have them roll the ball back to you. Roll the ball to a different child and say* **Jesus loves name of child.** *Continue letting each child have a turn. Then switch over to saying,* ***\_name of child\_ will show humility****. As you roll the ball from child to child.*

**Take Home Challenge**

**Supplies —** challenge cards and daily stickers

**What to do:** *Have the children gather on the floor and bring the challenge cards and daily stickers with you. Talk about the day and then challenge the kids to complete the challenge at home.*

**What to say:** It has been such a fun week on the Jesus tour! Today we went to the city and learned that Jesus wants us to put others first and DO HUMILITY Now it’s time to continue the fun at home. Our final challenge for you to do at home is to say something kind to everyone in your home.

Raise your hand if you accept the HUMILITY challenge. Great job! I know you will make a lot of people smile with your kind words.

**What to do:** *Send the challenge card and the daily sticker home with each child.*