“Ye Shall Be Witnesses unto Me”

ACTS 1-5

July 1-7
Write *Who am I?* on the board.

Provide several statements about Peter and ask the children who the statements are about.

What else do they know about Peter?
TEACH THE DOCTRINE

- Click here for the “Younger Children’s” Program

- Click here for the “Older Children’s” Program
Encourage the children to plan one way they can serve Heavenly Father by helping a member of their families this week.
• Our Closing Prayer will be given by

• (Enter name here)
THE END
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YOUNGER PROGRAM
Learning about how the Savior led His ancient Church through apostles can help the children gain testimonies of prophets and apostles in our day.
JESUS CHRIST LEADS HIS CHURCH THROUGH PROPHETS AND APOSTLES.

► Click on the Activity below that you want to go to:
  ► Possible Activity ‘A’
  ► Possible Activity ‘B’
  ► Possible Activity ‘C’
  ► Possible Activity ‘D’
What can you do to recognize ways you can bless those around you?

We can learn from the example of Peter and John healing the lame man.
HEAVENLY FATHER CAN BLESS OTHERS THROUGH ME.

Click on the Activity below that you want to go to:

- Possible Activity ‘A’
- Possible Activity ‘B’
- Possible Activity ‘C’
I CAN BE HONEST.

- The early Christians practiced a form of the law of consecration to help care for the poor.
- Those who owned land sold it and gave the money to the Apostles to be distributed among the Saints according to their needs.
- Ananias and Sapphira were dishonest about their contribution, thinking they could deceive the Lord's servants.
I CAN BE HONEST.

- Click on the Activity below that you want to go to:
  - Possible Activity ‘A’
  - Possible Activity ‘B’
  - Possible Activity ‘C’
OLDER PROGRAM
The Savior’s Church today is led by prophets and apostles, just as it was in ancient times.
Jesus Christ leads His Church through Prophets and Apostles.

- Click on the Activity below that you want to go to:
  - Possible Activity ‘A’
  - Possible Activity ‘B’
  - Possible Activity ‘C’
HEAVENLY FATHER BLESSES OTHERS THROUGH ME, EVEN IF I AM NOT WEALTHY.

- You can bless others, even if they do not have “silver and gold”? *(Acts 3:6).*
- How can you see opportunities to serve God by serving others?
HEAVENLY FATHER BLESSES OTHERS THROUGH ME, EVEN IF I AM NOT WEALTHY.

- Click on the Activity below that you want to go to:
  - Possible Activity ‘A’
  - Possible Activity ‘B’
THE HOLY GHOST BEARS WITNESS TO MY HEART OF GOSPEL TRUTHS.

- When you learn to recognize how the Holy Ghost speaks to you, you will be inspired to listen and act on the inspiration you receive.
THE HOLY GHOST BEARS WITNESS TO MY HEART OF GOSPEL TRUTHS.

- Click on the Activity below that you want to go to:
  - Possible Activity ‘A’
  - Possible Activity ‘B’
  - Possible Activity ‘C’
YOUNGER  POSSIBLE 1
JESUS CHRIST LEADS HIS CHURCH THROUGH PROPHETS AND APOSTLES.

POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘A’

► Show the full-page picture from this week's outline in Come, Follow Me—For Individuals and Families.

► Ask the children why they think the men are looking at the sky.

► Summarize the account from Acts 1:1–11.

JESUS CHRIST LEADS HIS CHURCH THROUGH PROPHETS AND APOSTLES.
POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘B’

▶ While the class looks at the picture from this week’s outline in Come, Follow Me—For Individuals and Families, invite a child to hold up a picture of the current Apostles.
▶ Who leads the Church when Christ is not on the earth?
▶ How do they lead the Church?
Jesus Christ leads His Church through Prophets and Apostles.

Possible Activity ‘C’

- Play a matching game with two sets of pictures of the living First Presidency and Twelve Apostles.
- When a match is made, share the Apostle or President’s name and something about him.
On the back of a picture of Jesus, tape small pictures of things a prophet might teach about, like baptism or a temple.

Let each child take a turn looking at one of the pictures and telling the rest of the class, “The prophet teaches us about [the topic on the picture].”
YOUNGER POSSIBLE 2
HEAVENLY FATHER CAN BLESS OTHERS THROUGH ME. POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘A’

- Invite the children to do actions that go along with the story in Acts 3:1–10, such as putting out their hands for money and leaping for joy.

- How did Heavenly Father bless the man who couldn’t walk?
HEAVENLY FATHER CAN BLESS OTHERS THROUGH ME. POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘B’

- Bring a bag containing pictures that represent ways that we can bless and serve others.
- Let the children take turns choosing pictures from the bag and sharing how they can bless others in that way.
HEAVENLY FATHER CAN BLESS OTHERS THROUGH ME.
POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘C’

▲ Ask the children to share a time when they helped someone.
YOUNGER   POSSIBLE 3
I CAN BE HONEST.
POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘A’

- Help the children act out the story of Ananias and Sapphira.
- Explain that although we won’t die when we tell a lie, this story shows how important being honest is to Heavenly Father.
I CAN BE HONEST.
POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘B’

- Sing together a song about honesty, such as “I Believe in Being Honest” (Children’s Songbook, 149).
- Help the children understand that part of being honest means always telling the truth and not taking things that belong to someone else.
I CAN BE HONEST.
POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘C’

- Use paper-bag puppets to act out simple situations in which someone is being honest or dishonest.
- Stand up if the person was being honest or sit on the floor if the person was being dishonest.
Write on the board *How does Jesus Christ lead the Church when He is not on the earth?*

Invite the children to look for answers to the question as you read the Savior’s words to the Apostles in *Acts 1:8*. 
JESUS CHRIST LEADS HIS CHURCH THROUGH PROPHETS AND APOSTLES.
- POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘B’

- As a class, identify how the Apostles called a new Apostle.
JESUS CHRIST LEADS HIS CHURCH THROUGH PROPHETS AND APOSTLES.

- POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘C’

- Ahead of time, ask a child and his or her parent to read about a recently called Apostle (perhaps on LDS.org).

- Invite the child to share what he or she learned with the class and, if possible, what the Apostle said about his call in his first general conference message.
HEAVENLY FATHER BLESSES OTHERS THROUGH ME, EVEN IF I AM NOT WEALTHY.

POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘A’

- Ask a child to read Acts 3:1–10 while the other children act out the story. (For help, see also “Chapter 56: Peter Heals a Man,” New Testament Stories, 148–49, or the corresponding video on LDS.org.)

- You could also show the video “Peter and John Heal a Man Crippled Since Birth” (LDS.org).

- In what way was the blessing this man received greater than the money he asked for?
HEAVENLY FATHER BLESSES OTHERS THROUGH ME, EVEN IF I AM NOT WEALTHY.

POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘B’

- Pass around a bag of coins.
- As the children hold the bag, ask them what they can buy with money.
- Then take back the bag of coins and ask the children what blessings they cannot buy.
- Invite them to share how they can serve somebody without using money (Acts 3:6).
OLDER POSSIBLE 3
THE HOLY GHOST BEARS WITNESS TO MY HEART OF GOSPEL TRUTHS.
POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘A’

- What does it feel like when the Holy Ghost tells us something in our hearts?
The Holy Ghost bears witness to my heart of gospel truths.

Possible Activity ‘B’

- As a class, make a poster with the words What shall we do? at the top.
- Display the poster each week, and add ways the children can act on what they learn in each week’s lesson.
THE HOLY GHOST BEARS WITNESS TO MY HEART OF GOSPEL TRUTHS.
POSSIBLE ACTIVITY ‘C’

- Invite the children to find the good things the people did after they were baptized in Acts 2:41–47.
- What good things can we do to show we are thankful for the gift of the Holy Ghost we received when we were baptized?
RESOURCES
REFERENCED SCRIPTURES