



CHILDREN'S CHURCH WORKBOOK

Lesson 15

PSALMS 91

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Jesus himself said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 19:14). We don't have to hold back. But our kids do need guidance and direction. This is why God instructs parents to teach God's law "when you are sitting in your house, and when you are walking by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise" (Deut. 11:19).

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PSALMS 91:15

1. Open in prayer

2. **Ice Breaker:** How you play this ice breaker is you write out the 1st letter of the word on a piece of paper of to call, response, answer How it would look like is C___ then you would ask your child/children to give you a letter which will help you spell the word. If they did not give you the next letter then you would add the next letter, CA__ then you would ask if they know what the next letter is, if they did not know you would add the next letter, as you keep asking they would either spell the work or you would spell it by adding each letter. **The point of the ice breaker is get our children to think about what their lesson is going to be about.**

3. **Read Psalm 91:1 - 2 The reason you ask your child/children to read Psalms 91:1&2 is all the promises in verse 3 to 16 is dependent on following what it says in verse 1&2.**

4. **Memory Verse:** He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honour him. Psalms 91:15 – Learn the Memory verse by reading together. **The reason just like the Lord will be with us when we are in trouble we demonstrate this by being next to your child.**

5. **Object Lesson:** Response Time – Begin by showing your child/children 3 separate pictures one of a ambulance, one of a fire engine and a police car. You could also show them a picture of either the RAC or the AA as they are emergency road assist. Once you have shown your child/children all of the pictures ask what do you think they have in common. Allow for their answer, if they do not know explain all of them are part of the emergency services which are called when something serious happens to someone either in the home or outside on the street. When our emergency services are called all have a response time in which they are required to meet in attending an emergency. Now explain in the same way all of these services are required to respond speedily and efficiently the Lord says in Psalms 91:15 when the one who loves me calls I will answer him. It's important to explain when we call on the Lord he hears our prayer, our cry and our heart, nothing goes un noticed. **The point of the lesson is to demonstrate when we pray the Lord will respond. Just like the emergency services the Lord has a response time. One thing we know he's never to early but surly never late. If your child/children understand how our Father in heaven operates they are less likely to question his ways regarding answered prayer.** Remember when we call he will answer.

6. **Practical Application: You shall call** - Begin your lesson by showing your child/children a phone, a mobile would be better and if there is 2 available even better. Now ask what is the purpose of the phone? Allow for their answer, if they do not know explain the phone is used to communicate with someone you can't see or is out of distance. Once you have explained what the mobile is for say to your child/children why don't we call someone and speak with them. Either you could pre warn the person or just call. Either way it will show the purpose of the phone and why. Older children will more than likely know how to call some one so it may be a good idea to talk about who we call. Once you have spoken to some one explain just like the phone is method we use to speak or communicate with some one prayer is the method or way we talk to the Lord. Just like we can use the phone to call someone at any time of the day we can call the Lord any time and he will Listen. Not only will the Lord be there to listen but just like Psalms 91:15 he will answer. **The purpose of the lesson is to introduce our children to prayer but more important when they pray he will respond.**

7. Discussion Time: When I answered – Begin by asking your child/children can they give an example when they have asked for something they liked or wanted. It may have been for their birthday or a special occasion. Sometimes it may be something simple like Dad/Mum I'm hungry and you fed them. You can discuss what they asked for, what they had to do to receive it and how important it was for them to know you would respond to their request. Once you have discussed an example where they have asked and received what they asked for explain in Psalms 91:15 the Lord said when the writer was to call on him he would answer and help him. The reason the Lord would help was the writer loved the Lord. Refer back to Psalm 91:14 and read. Now explain the Lord will intervene to the one who truly loves him not because of what he can receive but because he just wants to love the Lord with his whole heart. **The point of the lesson is for your child/children to begin to see the importance of prayer. Something which is caught more than taught. Also it's to help them relate to us as earthly parents where we will respond when the request is beneficial to them. If they can understand us as earthly parents it will help them to understand the Lord who will answer those who love him.**

8. Game: Question and answer – begin by explaining you want to play a game where either they ask the questions or you do. With each question there needs to be an answer, you can not say I don't know. If you have a board game with ready made questions then use them. If you don't think about questions which would relate to you and them. Such as sport, what they or you like regarding food, your or their favourite memory verse/bible story. For each family it will be different. The aim of the game is to show there is a question and there is an answer. It's not important if someone gets the question wrong or correct. It's more around what happens when we have questions, how are they going to be answered. Once the game is finished explain to your child/children just like the game was made up of many questions and answers prayer sometimes can be the same. There may be moments when you have questions and petitions in prayer to the Lord where the situation is difficult. When this occurs explain to your child/children in those situations you have to be confident and trust the Lord knows best. Just like you had to give an answer to the question in the game the Lord says in Psalm 91:15 when you call he will answer. In other words when you pray he will respond, it will never be I don't know what do I do. **The point of the lesson is just like your child/children may have a question the Lord has the answer. His response to their prayer is I will be there.**

9. Colouring time: Together we colour – Begin by finding something your child/children can colour, maybe a picture where someone is being helped. Now come along side and help with the colouring. Now say just like I am here to help you the bible says in Psalms 91:15 the Lord will be there to help you. **The point of the colouring is to show just like we can be with our child/children when they colour the Lord will be there when we are in trouble.**

10. Practical Application: Homework – Begin by checking what homework your child/children has been given. Explain to them that you want to see what their teacher has given them to accomplish. Now say to your child/children if you need help with your homework call for me and I will come. When they call help where the need is. Now say just like when you called me for help with your homework I was there. When you pray and call out to the Lord he will be with you to help. Now show your child/children Psalms 91:15 and say the verse says **I will be with him in trouble**; now explain the writer is saying the Lord is going to be with him when he is in trouble. Therefore he is going to accompany him in the situation where he needs help. What it doesn't say is the situation will be removed or taken away but in and through it the Lord is going to deliver him. The question is how, with each child the strategy will be different. **The point of the lesson is to show just like you are on call to help so is the Lord when you ask.**

11. **Sword Drill:** Begin by explaining to your child/children that you are going to call out a bible verse and the quickest person to find the verse is the winner. Explain before you start you need each child to hold their bible with their hands raised in the air. Once you have the verses call them out and say find (it is good if you play also) The verses you are going to use is Psalms 34:17, Psalms 107:6, Psalms 32:17 – The point of the sword drill is to show the Lord is the God of deliverance.

12. **Object Lesson: Intervention** – begin by talking to your child/children regarding what they are allowed to watch on T.V Ask them what are the ground rules regarding their programs. Now say what would happen if you was to find out they were watching a program which you did not agree with. Allow for their answer. Now say if you was not happy with a program they were watching you would turn it off. In the same way I would intervene to stop you watching something on TV the Lord will intervene when we are in trouble. The verse in Psalms 91:15 say he will deliver and honour us. Now you could ask your child/children where the Lord would intervene and help them come through their trouble. **The point is just like you as a parent will intervene so will the Lord to those who love him. The only difference is in Psalm 91:15 the lord intervenes for the person who loves where as in the lesson you are intervening because you see harm or danger.**

13. **Bible Passage: Genesis 37-50** – The reason for Joseph is the Lord never took him out of his situation but through his trials he was with him. There are different aspects and experiences he had to go through with in the years and before he was honoured. **The point of the lesson is to show the Lord does not always deliver us out of trouble but instead delivers from trouble. Even while Joseph suffered much the Lord was in it therefore he was never on his own.** Joseph is a great example of the Lord helping and being their in the midst of every situation. No matter what ever happened to him the Lord delivered him by bringing him through the situation. Today is no different unless Jesus directly intervenes his way of escape will be by being with us and taking us through. All I know is when we pray he will always answer the ones who love him. The way he answers may not always be our choice of intervention but if we call it will always be his way of solution.

14. **Prayer time:** As a family thank the Lord that when you pray he listens and through his grace we can over come. Thank him that he is a deliverer and because of the cross we have been delivered.