

## Lesson Ten - Part Two

# Peter Was Sorry

**Scripture:** Matthew 26:31, 33-35, 69-75; Mark 14:27-31; John 21:15-17.

**Lesson Aim:** To know that after Peter lied about knowing Jesus, he was sorry. He changed and Jesus forgave him. Peter was never afraid to tell others about Jesus again. To learn that Jesus forgives our lies when we are sorry and begin to do better.

**Bible Words:** I will be sorry (Psalm 38:18).

**Pre-Class:** Give each child a picture-to-color and some crayons. The pictures for **Lesson Ten** show a little boy crying because he has broken a pretty vase of his mother's. As the children color, talk about how the boy might have broken the vase. Ask them how they think the boy feels. Does he feel sad? Is he sorry? What will his mother do? Guide them to understand that even though the boy broke his mother's pretty vase, his mother still loves him and will forgive him because he is sorry. Label the pictures and take them up until **Closing**.

**Attendance And Welcome:** The children will add another object to the picture.

Introduce the visitors to the class and make them feel welcome.

**Bible Lesson:** For this lesson you will need pictures #3 and #4 from **Lesson Nine** and picture #1 for **Lesson Ten**.

Show picture #3 from **Lesson Nine**. *Last week we learned about a man who denied that he knew Jesus. Do you remember the man's name? His name was Peter. Why did Peter lie and say he did not know Jesus? He was afraid.*

Show picture #4. *What did Peter hear? Yes, he heard a rooster crowing. Peter had said he would never deny Jesus. Jesus knew Peter would deny him and Jesus told Peter, "Before the rooster crows two times you will deny Me three times." Jesus was right. Peter did deny Jesus. He lied three times before the rooster crowed two times. When Peter heard the rooster crowing he remembered what Jesus had said. Peter knew he had done a bad thing. How did Peter feel? He felt sorry. What did Peter do? He cried.*



Show picture #1 for **Lesson Ten**. *Early one morning Peter saw Jesus again. Jesus knew Peter was sorry for what he had done. Jesus said to Peter, "Do you love Me?" Peter said, "Yes, Lord You know I love You." Jesus asked Peter again, "Peter, do you love Me?" Again Peter said, "Yes, Lord, you know I love You." Jesus asked Peter a third time if he loved him. Peter answered for a third time, "Yes, Lord, You know I love You." Jesus knew then that Peter was really sorry for the lies he had told. Jesus forgave Peter and asked Peter to go and tell others about Him. Peter did what Jesus wanted him to do.*

*I like that lesson because it teaches us that even though we might do wrong things, Jesus still loves us. Jesus wants us to be sorry and He wants us to change and do good as Peter did.*

**Songs:** Sing all songs you have learned this quarter. Since *I Will Not Tell Lies* is still a new song, you might need to sing it several times. Say the Bible words and have a prayer. Thank God for Jesus who loves us and forgives us when we are sorry.

**Application Lesson:** If you did not get to do the play suggested in **Lesson Nine** do it at this time. Or, cut white poster board into 9" circles. You will need one circle for each child. On one side draw a happy face. Under it write: **Jesus will forgive**. On the other side draw a sad face. Write under it: **I will be sorry** (Psalm 38:18).

Cut out teardrops from blue paper. Let the children add the teardrops to the sad side of the circle.

As they work, read the words under each face. Talk about the faces and discuss how telling lies makes one feel sad and sorrowful.

After the teardrops have been added, have the children stand up. As you make statements they will hold up either the sad face or the happy face according to the way they would feel.

1. *Telling lies makes me feel ...*
2. *Telling the truth makes me feel ...*
3. *When I tell lies, Jesus feels ...*
4. *When I tell the truth, Jesus feels ...*
5. *When Peter lied, he felt ...*
6. *When Jesus forgave him, Peter felt ...*

**Take-Home:** Remove the worksheets and doll punch-outs from the workbooks. Assist the children as they glue the dolls to their sheets.

The picture is of two girls who are playing together. One girl has broken the other girl's doll. Discuss the picture with your students. Help them to understand the girl is crying because she is sorry she broke the doll. What should the other girl do? Should she be angry at her friend and never play with her again or should she forgive her friend and continue to be friends with her? By discussing it with the children you will help them better understand the concept of forgiveness. When everyone has completed the pictures, label them and take them up until **Closing**.

**Bible Lesson Review:** Show picture #1 for **Lesson Ten**. Briefly review today's lesson. Review the other pictures on the board, if time permits. Say the Bible words and sing the new song.

**Closing:** Return all papers and personal belongings to the children. Invite everyone to return again next week. Offer a prayer, thanking God for all who came to class. Also remember those who are absent due to illness.

**Other Ideas:**

1. Say the poem:

Peter, Peter, do you love Me?

Yes, Lord, I do.

Peter, Peter, do you love Me?

Yes, Lord, I do.

Peter, Peter, do you love Me?

Yes, Lord, I do.

And the Lord loved Peter, too!

2. Sing *O We Must Be Kind*.

***O We Must Be Kind***

*(Tune: Chorus of "Blessed Be the Name")*

O we must be kind, O we must be kind,

O we must be kind, kind to all;

O we must be kind, O we must be kind,

O we must be kind, kind to all.

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