

Theme: with Honors!
Lesson 4: I Will Always Learn and Grow!

Team Assignments

JUMP START! _____

Read, Read and Read!

BIBLE VERSE _____

James 1:5

TRUTH! _____

I Will Always Learn and Grow!

PREACH IT! _____

John, the Prisoner

SHOW IT! _____

A Better Me!

Become The Message

After you have studied and prayed for this message, you shouldn't have to look at too many notes. For your benefit, here is a quick "flow of the message" or "outline" for you to follow (either for your team assignments or your personal outlines.)

Other Notes:

Wednesday: Tell the Dave Thomas story

Break into small groups for discussion

JUMP START!

Read, read, and read!

“I brought in some of my favorite books today. I like all kinds of books. I can learn something from almost any book. (Show the kids some of the books you brought in.) My favorite kind of books are books that help me to be a better (parent, teacher, leader,...). Here’s a book to help me If I keep exercising my brain, it’s sure to keep getting better and better. That’s what we’re going to be talking about today. We need to always keep learning things. We’re never too old or too young to learn. Keep listening and you’ll learn something new today!”

Needs:

- Variety of Books

BIBLE VERSE

James 1:5

“If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.”

TRUTH!

I Will Always Learn and Grow!

- Everybody say, “I will always learn and grow.”
- The bible says that we’re to study to show ourselves approved.
- We need to let the Holy Spirit continue to show us new things.
- The Holy Spirit will help us to learn and grow!

PREACH IT!

John, the Prisoner Revelations 1:1-9

Highlight the fact that John was exiled to the small, rocky island of Patmos. Yet, this is where God gave him a vision and told him to write it down. We can always continue to grow and learn regardless of what our circumstances are.

- John was sent as a prisoner to the small, rocky island of Patmos.
- While there God gave him a vision and told him to write it down.
- John did not understand everything he was seeing, but he was willing to learn what God wanted him to know.
- Because of John's obedience, v 3 says that blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy...that's us. When we study the book of Revelations, we are blessed because of John being willing to learn.

SHOW IT!

A Better Me!

Come prepared to share something that you learned as an adult. It might be a new sport, a new program at work, etc... Share the struggles, the worries, the excitement. Also, share with the children something you're still looking forward to doing and what it will take for you to get there.

Say something like, "How many of you are glad to be in school? How many of you are planning to go to college one day? Does anyone here want to become a policeman or fireman? Will that take more schooling? How about if you wanted to become a doctor—would you still have to be learning all the time?"

Learning always goes on. Even a policeman has to go back to school regularly for more training on the newest gun that comes out or on new techniques for handling criminals. In order to keep up with the latest technology, we have to keep learning.

Share your story and then end with, "It's fun to keep learning and growing. It's fun to keep getting better and better at the things you enjoy. Everybody say, I will always learn and grow!"

Needs:

- Object to represent something you've learned.