


DISCOVERING GOD'S TREASURE: WHO I AM IN CHRIST

Lesson 16

Small Group Lesson Plan | Primary (Grades K-3)



LESSON 16: New Life

<p>Bible Story</p> <p>Peter Is Given A Second Chance</p> <p><i>Luke 22:31-34, 54-61, John 21</i></p>	<p>Materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Bible• A snack and a nametag for each student• A calendar• A sheet of paper• Colored pencils and markers• Small Group Prayer Request Sheet• Treasure chest handout, one per child
<p>Bible Verse</p> <p>“And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives.” <i>Romans 6:4b, NLT</i></p>	
<p> Identity Who God Says I Am</p> <p>My life can be made new!</p>	

Small Group Session 1 15 Minutes

Opening Icebreaker

Distribute name tags and snacks. Choose one of the following icebreaker activities to do together while students eat their snack:

- Ask children to share one thing they are feeling grateful for this week.
- Let students take turns sharing how they're feeling today using the "How Are You Feeling?" emoji chart (from the CKC Games Bag).
- As students are eating their snack, ask, **"Have you ever received a second chance?"**

Pray Together

[Collect prayer requests from the students.](#)

The small group leader or a child who volunteers may pray for the entire group.

Small Group Game: Do This, Do That

No materials needed.

The small group leader will perform actions or stretching exercises while saying "Do this" or "Do that." If the students hear the leader say, "Do this," then they must imitate the action, but if they hear the leader say "Do that," then they should not perform the action. If the student performs action when the leader says, "Do that," then they must sit down. The last student remaining wins the game.

Small Group Session 2 35 Minutes

Identity Exploration

Show students a calendar.

Here's a calendar. It includes all twelve months of the year. We use a new calendar every year. When it's a new year, we switch to a new calendar.

Turn to the month of January.

When we start a new year, people tend to make resolutions. This means that they want a new beginning in some area of their life.

Some people decide that in the new year they want to eat more vegetables, while some people want to spend an hour each day exercising. People may want to do better at controlling their tongue, spending more time with Jesus, reading their Bibles or serving others without being asked. Usually when people make these goals, they want to start something new, something that hasn't been a part of their lives before.

More often than not, these goals that people have for the new year are never accomplished. Why do you think that is?

Take student responses.

It's impossible for us to live new lives without turning to Jesus and accepting his forgiveness and his offer of a second chance to love him and love others. Jesus is the one who strengthens us to leave our mistakes and sins behind and walk out the new life he has for us. We can't do it without him!



Thanksgiving | Thanking God for who he is and what he has done.

Give each student a sheet of paper and colored markers and pencils.

Give them a three to five-step drawing (such as a stick figure) in which they have to copy, but on the last step, tell them the wrong thing. Once everyone has completed the last step, tell them, **"Oops, I made a mistake! This is not right!"**

Have you ever made a huge mistake? How did it make you feel?

Take student responses.

We often wish we could turn back time and erase the mistakes that we make. There's nothing that we can do ourselves to take that mistake away.

Jesus can do something miraculous for us! He takes away our sins and gives us a second chance to live in a new way!

Repeat the three to five-step drawing making sure that the children complete it successfully.

Let's say thank you to Jesus for giving us a second chance!

Let the children express their gratitude in prayer with the following prompt, **"Thank you God for..."**

We can also show gratitude to God by taking that second chance he's given us and living in this new and different way!

How will this change how you live this week?

Take student responses.

Bible Verse Game

Review the Bible verse with a [Bible verse game](#).

"And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives." *Romans 6:4b, NLT*

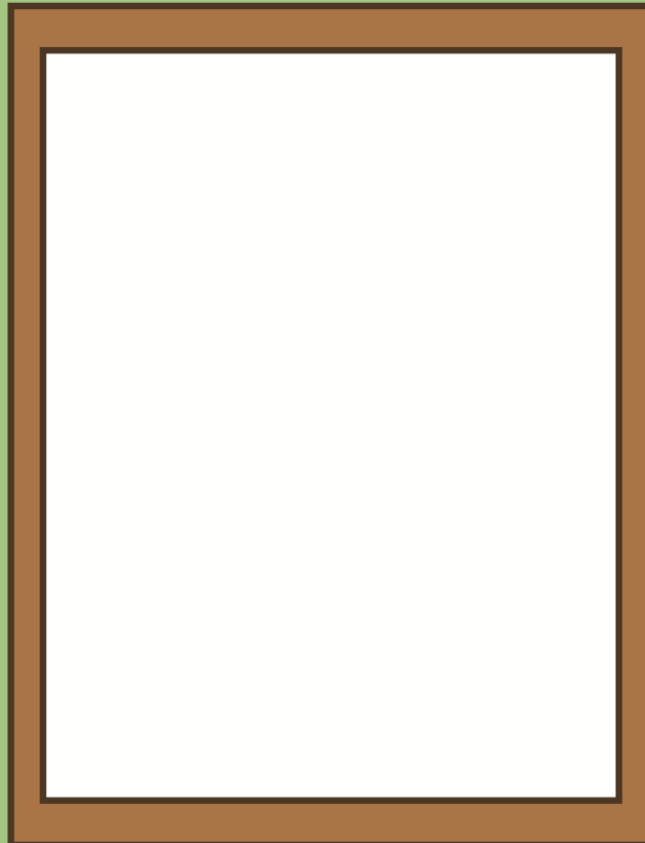
Treasure Chest Handout

Give each student a treasure chest handout and some colored markers or crayons. Invite the students to draw something they discovered about Jesus and something they discovered about themselves inside their treasure chest. Students should also circle the tool that they used in small group to help them discover those truths. As the students are completing the handout, ask students to think about how they can use that tool during the week.

Name:

Story:

**What's in your
treasure chest?**



TOOLBAR



Thanksgiving



Confession



Worship



Prayer



Meditation



Identity



Service



Bible