

Story Time - Read the story to the children
Lesson 221: JESUS CLEANSES THE TEMPLE AGAIN
LUKE 19:45-48

Jesus went into the Temple area. He began to throw out the people who were buying and selling things inside. He said, "It is written, 'My Temple will be a house of prayer.' But you have changed it into a 'place of thieves.'" Jesus taught the people in the Temple area every day. But leading priests, the teachers of the law (called the scribes), and some of the leaders of the people wanted to kill him. But they did not know how they could do it, because everyone was paying very close attention and listening to Him all the time.

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“And He went into the temple, and began to throw out the people who were buying and selling things inside, saying to them, ‘It is written, my house is a house of prayer, but you have made it a place of thieves.’” **LUKE 19:45-46**

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MEMORY VERSE:

'It is written, "My house is a house of prayer", but you have made it a "place of thieves" ' LUKE 19:46

Review Questions

True or False

1. Then He went into the temple, and began to throw out the ones who were buying and selling things inside.
2. It is written, "My house is a house of prayer, but you have made it a place of thieves."
3. Jesus taught once a year in the temple.
4. The leading priests, the teachers of the law (the scribes), and some of the leaders wanted to help Him.
5. But they did not know how they could do it, because Jesus always ran away.

Questions

1. When Jesus went to the temple, who did he throw out?
2. What was the temple supposed to be?
3. What did Jesus say that the people who were buying and selling things inside made the temple? A place of _____.
4. How often did Jesus teach in the temple?
5. What did the leading priests, the teachers of the law (the scribes) and some of the leaders of the people want to do to Jesus?
6. Why couldn't they know how they could kill Jesus?

Lesson 221 Craft and Activity

WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

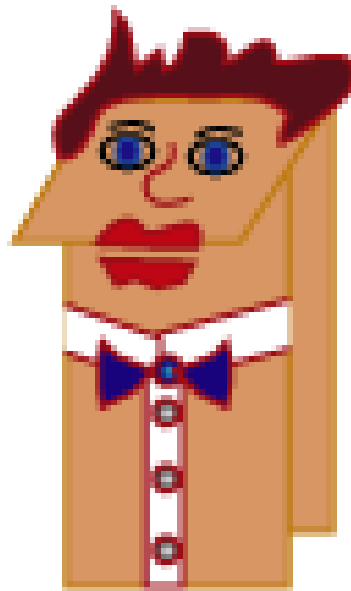
Older children: A brown paper sack for each child in your class, markers, and decorating supplies like plastic googley eyes, felt, yarn and markers or crayons.

Younger children: You can use the printable templates and color/decorate them.

Have the children turn the puppets into New Testament characters like Jesus, Temple priests, and Temple worshippers.

Have your children divide into groups of three or four and let them re-enact the story of Jesus cleansing the temple with the puppets they made at the beginning of class. After they have had a chance to work together, have them perform their puppet shows for one another. You can make a puppet stage by having the children squat down below the table, with their puppets above, or by putting two or three chairs in a row and letting the children get behind it.

An example of a paper bag puppet without using a template:



*the fold-over part becomes the mouth

PRAYER

Lead the children in a prayer of commitment to live their life as the temple of the Holy Spirit. Pray that others will see Jesus in them; if any children have not responded to the gospel, give them an opportunity to do so.

