

The Charla on The Bible

Introduction

Icebreaker - Ask common questions about the Bible and see how many kids get it right or wrong.

1. Who wrote the Bible?
2. How many Testaments are in the Bible
3. What does the word Bible even mean?
4. What are Gospels and who are they about?
5. Do you even read bruh?

Purpose of the charla - To help the kids understand why the Bible is important, how can it influence your life. If you have any questions who do you ask for help.

When do you personally use the Bible?

When was the last time you touched a Bible?

The Bible as we all know is "The Word of God" it is meant to be instructions on our faith and morals.

Bible Organization.

How do we read the Bible?

2 parts of the Bible - Old Testament & New Testament.

Old Covenant

New Covenant

Before Jesus

During & After Jesus

Covenant = promise God made with the people.

Each Testament is a collection of books based on that covenant

Old Testament consists of the 5 books of The Torah, The prophets, the book of psalms and songs and books of kings and wisdom.

New Testament consists of the 4 gospels, letters from St. Paul, and Peter and book of Revelation.

Each book has a name, chapters and verses.

Looking for Bible readings

If we were to look for a Bible reading

We would find the name of the Book, i.e John

We would then look for a chapter i.e 13

Lastly we would search up the verses such as verses 3-8

Why do we need to read the Bible.

Activity

Pass around Bibles to kids divide them per group and give them sheets that have a list of Bible readings.

After the activity:

Discuss their findings

The primary reason why we need to read the bible is for the simple reason that God wants to speak to us.

Other reasons include:

- Evangelizing to others
- When times get hard, it's there with a message for you
- Learning more about who God is and what he has done
- Guidance

- Defending your faith

In talking about why it's important to read the bible, it is also important to know what the true purpose of the bible

Pope Francis states that The word of God not only precedes the bible, it also surpasses it. Which is why the center of our faith isn't just a book, but Jesus Christ, the Word of God made flesh.

If God is love and if "God so loved the world that he sent his only begotten son, so that all who believe in him will not die, but have eternal life" (John 3:16), and Jesus is the word of God made flesh, then God's word is the word of love.

Too often, people use the scriptures as a way to either excuse their bad behavior or to criticize and incite hateful messages to others

Personal experiences with reading the bible

Closing- sum up everything about tonight