

FAITH LESSON 1

INTER-ACTIVE OBJECT LESSON

A Hole In One

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN: Hope gives your faith something to shoot for.

WHAT YOU NEED: Putter

Golf ball

Plastic cup you can lay on its side

Practice putting green - If your budget allows you can find

online for about \$20

Small prize

PREPARATION: Set up your practice putting green in front of class

INSTRUCTIONS: Pick four kids to have a putting contest

Prize goes to whoever gets a hole in one

SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:

Have you ever played putt putt golf? Do you know anybody that is really good at it? If I just come up here and swat the ball, it will miss the cup. (Hit the ball without aiming.) What do I need to do if I want to sink my putt? I need to aim for the target. The target is the cup. In real life hope is like the cup in putt putt. Hope is the belief in a positive outcome about the future. If I have a bad day, it is an attitude that tomorrow will be a better day. What are some things that you are hoping for? (Allow kids to respond.) Those are all good things to hope for, but hope all by itself will not get the job done. Hope just gives our faith something to shoot for, but I still have to swing the club. If I just stand here all day and aim at the cup nothing happens. If I swing wildly without aiming I will miss the cup. I need to aim and take the swing. Hope and faith are like a team. They work together.

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