



## 3. SMALL GROUP Lesson

### TAKING RESPONSIBILITY

**PROPS NEEDED:** Small bowl of dog food and a baggie

#### LESSON:

- How many of you have pets?  
How many of you have to feed your pets or give them water?
- How many of you have to clean up their do-do?
- Pets take a lot of work and they are a big responsibility.
- (Hold up the dog food and baggie.) What is this that I have in my hand?

#### POINT TO MAKE:

- God wants each of us to take responsibility for the things we are in charge of.
- One way we take responsibility is by not blaming others when we make a mistake.
- Has anyone ever forgot to let your dog out? Usually everyone blames everyone else for not doing the job.
- Secondly, there are negative things that happen.
- When it comes to pets they could go hungry, or they have

accidents in the house if no one lets them outside.

- God has called all of us to be leaders, and good leaders take responsibility for their own actions and don't blame others when they make a mistake.

#### SPIRITUAL EXERCISE:

- Ask your mom or dad if there is anything they'd like you to take responsibility for at your house.
- Show your mom and dad how responsible you can be!

#### QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. What things are you responsible for at your house? At school?
2. What do you think it means to be responsible for something?
3. What negative things can happen when you're not responsible?



Super Church 2.0 Small Group Notes

### SMALL GROUP SCHEDULE

1. Pre-Service Activity
2. Bible Time
3. Small Group Lesson
4. Activity Page
5. Dismiss

### LEADERSHIP: PULL YOUR OWN WAGON

#### MEMORY VERSE:

**Galatians 6:5**, "For each one should carry his own load." (NIV )

#### BOTTOM LINE:

Take responsibility for your life.



## 1. PRE-SERVICE Activity

- During the Pre-Service Activity, group leaders will direct conversation and games to help kids make friends at church.
- As a group leader you have the choice of Ice Breaker Questions or Game to use as the children arrive.

### ICE BREAKER Questions:

#### Question #107:

- What is your favorite Bible Story?

#### Question #497:

- Who is your favorite character in the Bible?

### ICE BREAKER Game:

#### What's That Noise?

#### Directions:

- Have the children sit in a circle.
- Pick one child to start by making an animal noise.
- The next child should make the same noise as the first and then add their own.
- They should keep adding noises all the way around the circle.
- Can everyone remember all the different animal noises?



## 2. BIBLE Time

### READ THE BIBLE:

*1st-2nd Grade - Day by Day Bible:* The Snake (pgs 4-5)

*3rd Grade and up - NIV Bible:* Genesis 3:1-19

- Have each child read one verse out loud.
- Go around the room.
- This works best if everyone uses the same, easy-to-read translation of the Bible.

### BIBLE STORY:

Adam, Eve and a Big Snake

### BIBLE CONNECTION:

*God created Adam and Eve and put them in the Garden of Eden. God had one rule for them: do not eat the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. There was a crafty snake in the garden that began to talk to Eve. The snake questioned God's rules and tried to get Eve to question His rules too. Before she knew it, she listened to the snake and ate fruit from the forbidden tree. Adam ate the fruit from it too. God came to the garden to talk to Adam and Eve. He knew they had eaten from the tree and He asked Adam about it.*

### BIBLE QUESTIONS:

1. What was the one rule God gave Adam and Eve? (do not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil)
2. Who talked Eve into eating the fruit? (the snake)
3. Who did Adam blame when God asked him if he ate the fruit? (Eve and God)
4. Did Adam take responsibility for his actions? (no)

**POINT TO MAKE:** *Adam blamed Eve and even blamed God because He had given him Eve. Adam did not take responsibility for his own actions; instead he blamed Eve and even God.*