

Quigley's Village



Truth & Trust



Main Concepts:

- It is always good to tell the truth.
- God wants us to tell the truth.
- Lying hurts ourselves and others.



Summary of Today's Session:

- Telling the truth is saying what really happened.
- Telling a lie is hiding what really happened.
- When we tell a lie, we end up telling more lies.
- It makes God happy when we tell the truth.
- When we tell the truth, everyone can believe us; that means they can trust us.



Scripture Verse:

Matthew 5: 37a, "And let your communication be Yea, yea; Nay, nay."



Preparation:



1. Gather Materials

For this session, you will need a Bible, *Quigley's Village Video*, *Truth and Trust – Danny Buys a Blobit*, cookies and lemonade or other snacks and drinks, and a picnic tablecloth.



2. Read the Bible Story

1 Samuel 16:1-13

This passage describes how God instructed Samuel whom to choose as king of Israel. Saul, the current king, had displeased God, so God did not trust Saul's family to continue on the throne. Instead of choosing an older, well educated man with lots of experience to replace Saul, God chose the young shepherd boy, David, because he had a good heart and loved God. God knew he could trust David to be king of Israel. The main point you should emphasize that since God could trust David as a shepherd, He knew He could trust David as king.



3. Questions about the Video for the Picnic Square

Watch the *Quigley Village Video*, *Truth & Trust*, so that you can ask questions or use these questions:

- What did Mr. Quigley say that telling the truth means?
Telling the truth means saying what really happened.
- What did Mr. Quigley say that telling a lie means?
Telling a lie means hiding what really happened.
- Did Danny's lies help him in the end?
No, in the end, the truth came out, and everyone knew Danny had lied.
- Did Danny's lie hurt anyone?
Yes, his lie hurt Danny himself and Mr. Quigley and all their friends.
- Could Mr. Quigley trust Danny after he told the lie?
Mr. Quigley could not trust Danny after he lied until Danny told the truth about what he had done and apologized to Mr. Quigley and to Jesus and said he would always tell the truth.



4. Playing "I Like You, You Like Me"

Have the children play the "I like you, you like me" game that Spike leads in the video by repeating after you, one line at a time:

"I like you". "You like me." "Do like me on 1-2-3."

Then do something and have the children copy you. Then choose a child to lead. Go around the circle until everyone who wants to lead has had a turn.

Here are some actions you could choose:

- Scratch your head.
- Turn in a circle.
- Stamp your feet.
- Tap your knee.
- Clap your hands.
- Snap your fingers.



Session Schedule & Class Outline

SESSION GOALS FOR TODAY:

By the end of this session, the children should know that telling the truth means saying what really happened and that telling a lie is hiding what really happened. They should know that telling a lie hurts them and it hurts others and that God likes it when we tell the truth.

Step #1: Greetings

Greet the children as they enter the room. Have them sit in a circle. Play the "name game" by having each of them say his/her name and the name of the person to their right. Then switch and have them say their name and the person's name on their left.

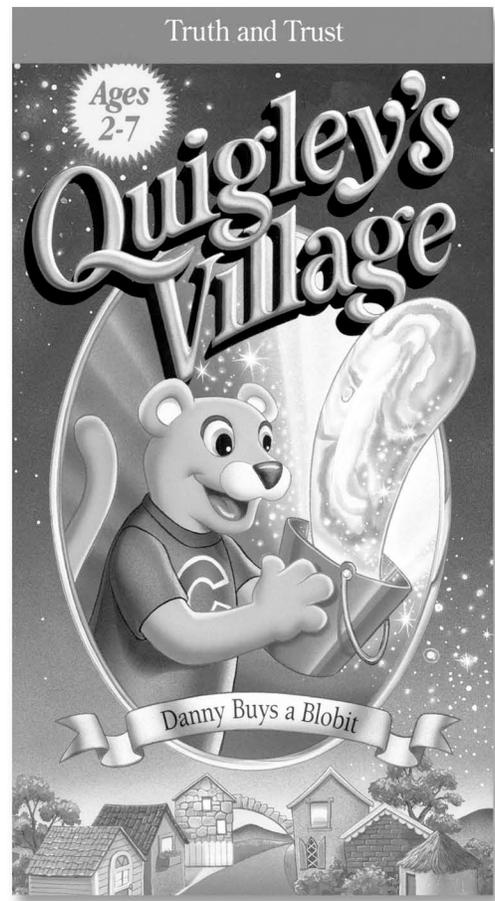
Explain that today they will be watching a video about telling the truth and lying. Tell them to pay special attention to what Mr. Quigley says about what a lie is and what telling the truth is. Warn them to watch carefully because you will ask some questions later.

Step #2: Quigley's Village Video (40 min.)

Have the children sit where they each can see the video comfortably.

Truth and Trust – Danny Buys a Blobit

In this Quigley's Village episode, Danny decides to buy a toy with the money Mr. Quigley gives him to buy party decorations. To cover his actions, he tells lie after lie and finally decides to bury the toy. Then it rains, and Danny's deception is found growing out of the ground.



Step #3: Picnic / Refreshments

Ask the children to sit in a circle. Tell them that they will be having their own picnic and spread the picnic tablecloth in the center of the circle. Serve the snack. Say a short prayer of thanks for the food. While they are eating, ask the children what they remember about the video. Take time to listen. Then ask the questions suggested in the preparation section on page 2 of this session or any other questions you think of. Be sure the children understand that one lie often leads to another.



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Step #4: The Bible Story

Open your Bible to *1 Samuel 16*. Explain to the children that today's Bible story comes from the *Book of First Samuel* and that this book can be found towards the front of your Bible in the Old Testament.

Tell the Bible story in your own words or as suggested below:

One day God told Samuel that He would help him to find a new king of Israel. Samuel expected that God would choose an older man who had done lots of things. Instead, God chose a young shepherd boy named David to become the king. Explain that God chose David to be king because David told the truth and could be trusted and because David loved God. Ask the children if they know what a shepherd does. Tell the children that a shepherd takes care of sheep and makes sure they have enough to eat and drink, and that they are safe. Tell the children that God could trust David to be a good king because He could trust David to be a good shepherd and to tell the truth.

Step #5: Bible Verse

Open your Bible to *Matthew 5:37a* and say the Bible verse, "Let your communication be, "Yea, yea; Nay, nay." Have them repeat the verse as a group. Remind the children that saying yes when we mean yes and saying no when we mean no is telling the truth and God likes it when we tell the truth.

Step #6: Play the "I Like You, You Like Me" Game

See directions on page 3 in the preparation section of this session.

Step #7: Thanking the Children & Closing in Prayer

Have the children sit back down in a circle and ask them to bow their heads and close their eyes for the prayer time. You can pray or have a friend pray to close the teaching time.

(Sample Prayer)

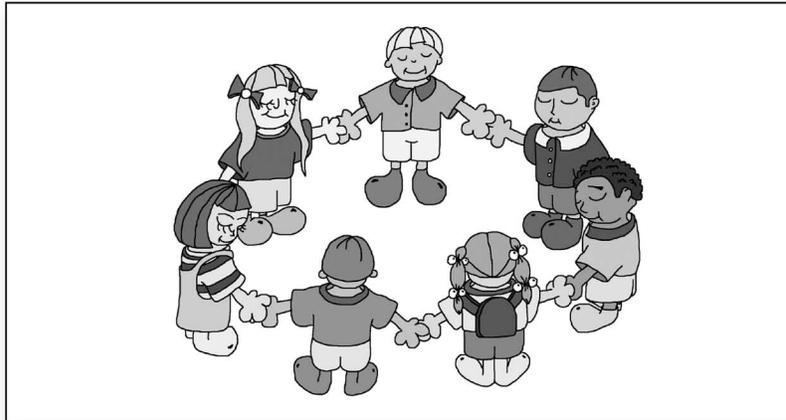
"Dear God

We thank You that we can always ask You to help us to tell the truth, and we thank You for everyone who is in our class today.

In Jesus' Name, Amen."

As you dismiss the children, thank each one for coming. Remind them to tell the truth this week.

Your Child's Lesson



Dear Parents,

Thank you for sharing your child with us today. Our lesson was about telling the truth. We learned that telling the truth means telling what really happened and not hiding it. We learned that God likes it when we tell the truth. We discussed that when we tell lies it not only hurts others, but it hurts us as well.

The video we viewed today is from the *Quigley's Village Series* and is called *Truth and Trust – Danny Buys a Blobit*.

In this episode of Quigley's Village, Danny decides to buy a toy with the money Mr. Quigley gives him to buy party decorations. To cover up his action, he tells lie after lie and finally decides to bury the toy. Danny's lies seem to be fooling everyone until it rains and Danny's deception is found growing out of the ground.

Our Bible verse for today was taken from *Matthew 5:37a*. We learned from it that when we say yes, we should mean yes, and when we say no, we should mean no.

Listening to your child and asking your child to tell you what happened when problems arise can help your child to feel free to tell you the truth.

See you next week!