

D/G CIRCUS SPECTACULAR: A TEACHING PLAN

SESSION 4: A CHRISTMAS LESSON: 'THE JUGGLER OF GOD'

BIBLICAL BASIS: MATTHEW 2:9-11b

AVAILABLE TIME: @25minutes

POINT OF LESSON: God's gifts to us he enjoys when we use them in his service to one another; this too is worshipping

1. dismissed from church by pastor blowing whistle.
2. ringmaster welcomes children to the tent and the 3 rings.
3. 3-ring action including:

RING 1

D/G video playing in background: "Christmas Lost and Found"

CENTER RING

talk about different kinds of performers in a circus, what they do...especially jugglers.

make sponge things to juggle.

RING 2

(Jonathan Visona shows kids how to juggle.)

(kids practice juggling with sponge things.)

[RETURN TO CENTER RING]

[SAY:] "And now, a special story about Barnaby the Great!"

[READ STORY: "The Juggler of God"]

[READ: Matthew 2:9-11b –

"(and they came to) the place where the child was....and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him....(and) offered him gifts...."]