Lesson 6
Elementary
“S’mores and More”

Soul Food Series Verse
Why spend your money on food that does not give you strength? Why pay for food that does you no good? Listen, and I will tell you where to get food that is good for the soul!
Isaiah 55:2 NLT

The Point of the Lesson:
Each child will learn that they can recognize that Christ is the One who can provide for them and meet all their needs. They will understand that He is a friend to get to know, not some distant stranger. Jesus will give them more and “s’more” of His love and joy that never runs out.

The Power of God’s Word:
My sheep recognize My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. John 10:27 NLT

The Prayer of Each Child:
Dear Jesus, I am glad that You love me no matter what. Help me to always recognize Your ways so that I can make good decisions. Just as sheep follow their shepherd, give me a desire to want to follow You. This week, help me to give my life to You and follow You on a daily basis.

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The Lesson in a Word:
Recognize
Prepare: (Before Service)
Object Lesson: Recipe for S’mores
Materials for 1st & 2nd grade: none

Big Room Welcome

Countdown Starts

Welcome from MC:
Good morning CBC Kids! We are so glad that you are here with us this morning! Are you ready to learn about God today? Let’s see what question I have for you today…..

Kid Connect Question:
Would you rather have some more dessert or some more recess time?

Worship
This is a time of corporate worship through singing and music.

Prayer
Ask a child if they want to come up and pray. If they don't, then the MC Prays.

Announcements
Welcome to all new Kindergarten kids who weren’t here last week
VBS – July 22 SKY – tell your parents to register now!
Birthdays
Visitors – if they want to come up

*** Dismiss Kindergarten**
Big Room Lesson Introduction

Welcome from MC:
Hey everyone! Welcome back. Who has been camping? Camping is a lot of fun, especially when you get to make your food right out in the open. There is something about preparing the food and eating it outside that makes it taste great.

Object Lesson:
(pull out recipe card) I have a recipe here for a favorite camping food. I am going to read off the ingredients and see who can recognize what it is. First, you need to have a fire going. Then you need marshmallows, graham crackers, chocolate bars...yes, that's right, this is for S'mores. Everybody recognized this treat. It is easy to recognize something that we really like. It is the same way with God. The more we get to know Him, the more we will recognize His ways. It gets easier to choose the right decisions when we know Him personally.

Transition for MC:
Our lesson in a word today is Recognize. What are some other words or phrases that mean to recognize? To know, to identify, to be familiar with are just a few examples. Have you ever played Pictionary? Sometimes we know what to guess right away but other times we need to have patience to recognize what someone is drawing. Today’s lesson is about recognizing who Jesus is. Will you recognize Jesus as the Boss of your life? Will you choose His ways instead of your ways? When we trust in God, He will help us recognize right from wrong and lead us to the truth.

Big Room Lesson Video
*** Queue the video ***
Below is what you will see in the video.

Lesson in a Word:
Recognize

What Should I See?
Jesus and the Disciples
Several days after Jesus had died and raised from the dead, Peter (along with several of the disciples) was near the sea. Peter decided to go fishing and the others joined him. They fished through the night, but as the morning got closer, they had not caught a single fish. They were near the shore when they heard someone call out, “Friends, do you have any fish?” They answered that they did not. The stranger called back that they should throw out their nets on the right side of the boat. They did, and suddenly, their net was so full of fish that they could barely haul it in. Then John called to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Peter heard that, he jumped into the water and swam to shore. The others brought in the boat and the fish. Once they were on shore, they saw a fire going with fish and bread on it. Jesus asked them to
bring over some of the fish they had just caught, which they did. Jesus then invited them to come and have breakfast with Him. (Source: John 21:1-14)

**What's The Key?**
The key to unlocking this lesson today is to recognize who Christ is. He is the One who can give us purpose and direction to our lives. As God's Son, He has the power to forgive our sins and give us eternal life. John recognized this when he saw Jesus on the shore, and Peter jumped in the water once John told him who it was. He knew Jesus was alive and well. He knew Jesus was the One to follow and to serve.

**What's That To Me?**
We need to decide what is important in our lives. Will we recognize Jesus as the Lord of our lives? Will we choose His ways? We will have many choices each day—what kind of words to say, what kind of friend to be, to laugh at someone or to be kind. When we know Jesus as a friend, we will know His ways. Recognizing who Jesus is will be the most important decision of our lives.

**How Should I Be?**
How should we be? Well, we first must recognize who Jesus really is. Jesus is God. Jesus is the only way to heaven. Jesus gives me a purpose for my life. Jesus gives me power to live on. This week we will really take a look and recognize Jesus for all He is. If we have not made a commitment to follow Him with our whole life, we will make that commitment today.

**Big Room Review**

**Practice Point:**
I need Jesus in my heart
Recognizing him as the boss of my life is where I really must start.

**Memory Verse:**
*My sheep recognize My voice; I know them, and they follow Me.* John 10:27 NLT
Big Room Life Application (if time)
Live It Video (5 Minutes)
Play Live It here.

Question 1: How do I learn more about God? (Come to church or small group, read my Bible, talk to Christian adults, ask questions, keep a prayer journal)

Question 2: What keeps me from recognizing God? (Bad friends; wrong TV shows, movies or music; too many video games; choosing other activities over church)

Question 3: How can others recognize Christ in me? (When I am kind, when I share, when I encourage others, when I tell others about Jesus, when I stand up for what is right)

Big Room Dismissal

Award Trophy
Drawing of kids who brought back their sheets from the week before
Dismiss individual Classrooms