

The Lamb of God

Revelation 1-11

Objectives:

Reinforces Principles of:

- Talk about how symbols are used in the scriptures
- Discuss why Jesus is called the Lamb of God

■ Symbolism

This Lesson contains 4 activities:

Choose the activities that fit your family's schedule. Use on Mondays to introduce the topic, or the following Sunday to review.

Reverence Time: Song, prayer, scripture and video clip **Lesson Time:** Lesson summary and points to ponder

Activity Time: Object lesson or activity **Treat Time:** Prayer, theme related recipe



Approximate Time: 5 minutes

Sing Together: "He Sent His Son" Children's Songbook page 34

If you wish to print sheet music or have an online music file to accompany you visit:

https://www.lds.org/music/library/childrens-songbook/he-sent-his-son

Prayer:

Scripture Time: Revelation 5:12-13

12 Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

13 And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

Video Clip:

Watch clips from the Living Scriptures Streaming Library. You can find the clip at https://www.livingscriptures.com/fhe-lesson-lamb-of-god



Approximate Time: 10-15 minutes

Lesson

Summary:

In Revelation, John shares a prophesy that is full of symbols and imagery. Although sometimes symbols seem confusing, symbols can actually help us to better understand something by telling it in a different way. Throughout the book, Jesus is often symbolized as a lamb. In Old Testament times, a sacrificial lamb was offered in a symbolic ceremony. The lamb symbolized Jesus Christ and his atonement and death for us.

There are many other symbols in the book of Revelation. For example, candlesticks represent the churches in John's day. John also describes Satan as a "dragon". The plan of salvation is symbolized by a sealed scroll that only the lamb can open. Only through Jesus Christ's sacrifice can we overcome sin and death.

In Revelation 3:20, it says, "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me." This is a reminder that Christ is there for us, but we must let him into our lives and our hearts.

At Christmastime, many of our decorations are symbolic. For example, candy canes may symbolize the shepherd's crook, a wreath may symbolize eternal life, and the star on the top of the Christmas tree represents the new star that appeared at Jesus' birth.

Points to

Ponder:

How do symbols help us to learn about the gospel? (Discuss ideas)

Why is Jesus symbolized by a lamb? (Discuss ideas)

What does the symbol of the Savior knocking on a door represent? (Discuss ideas)

How can we invite the Savior into our lives? (Discuss ideas)

What symbols other can you find in our Christmas decorations? (Discuss ideas.)

Quote:

"As Lamb of God, Jesus's divine mission was foreordained and rejoiced in by apostles and prophets. His Atonement, infinite and eternal, is central to the plan of happiness and the purpose of creation. He assures us that He carries us next to His heart." *Gerrit W. Gong*



Approximate time: 20 minutes

What you need: A copy of the "Lamb of God" activity (artwork included with this lesson), scissors,

tape, cotton balls, ribbon, and scriptures.

Preparation 1. Print out the artwork.

2. Cut along black solid lines.

3. Glue part "A" to part "B".

1. Do you know an animal that is symbolic with Jesus? (Lamb.)

2. Let's learn some of the reasons why, as we make a craft.

3. Have children glue cotton ball pieces around the edge of the white lamb shape on part "A" while you read Ex. 12:21-23. (See image for proper placement.) What was sacrificed to save the children of Israel? (A lamb.)

4. Glue the ears on part "A" while you read Ex.12:5. What does it mean "without blemish"? (Discuss what "without blemish" means.) Note: Curl ears.

5. Glue the face on part "A". Was the sacrificial lamb a boy or girl? (Boy.)

6. Glue the eyes on part "A" while you read Ex. 12:46. What did the Lord say not to break on the lamb? (bones.)

7. Glue the nose/mouth on part "A". What do we know about the sacrificial lamb? (It was the blood of male lambs, without blemish and no broken bones, that saved the children of Israel.)

8. Glue the scripture on part "A".

10. Glue cotton balls around the edge of the white cloud shape on part "B" while you read Cor. 5:7. Who was sacrificed to save us from sin and death? (Christ.)

10. Glue Christ on part "B" while you read Peter 1:18-19. How is the blood of Christ like the blood of the lamb put on the children of Israel's doors? (We are "redeemed" from death and sin by the blood of Christ.)

11. Read 1 Ne. 12:6 while you glue the scripture on part "B".

12. Thread a piece of ribbon through the hole in the top while you read John 19:36.







Front Back Ear Ear (Part B) (Part A) "And I saw the heavens open, and the Lamb of God descending out of heaven; and he came down and showed himself unto them." (1 Nephi 12:6) Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year... neither shall ye break a bone thereof." (Exodus 12:5, 46) Nose/mouth



Approximate Time: 80 minutes

Prep Time: 15 minutes Cook Time: 20 minutes Cool Time: 30 minutes

Red Velvet Lamb Cakes

Cupcake Ingredients

1 cup sugar

1/2 cup soft butter

1 egg

1 tablespoons cocoa powder

1 Tbs. red food coloring

1 1/4 cups cake flour

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup buttermilk

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1/2 tablespoon vinegar



Cream Cheese Frosting & Decorating Ingredients

4 ounces cream cheese

1/4 cup butter

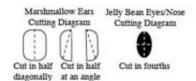
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 cup powdered sugar

156 miniature marshmallows

3 regular marshmallows for ears

9 black or jelly beans for eyes/noses



Cup Cakes: Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line a (12 cup) muffin tin with cupcake papers. Cream the sugar, butter and egg. Mix cocoa and food coloring together and then add to sugar mixture; mix well. Sift together flour and salt. Add flour mixture to the creamed mixture alternately with buttermilk. In a small bowl, combine baking soda, vinegar and vanilla; blend into mixture. Fill muffin cups 3/4 full with batter. Bake for 20 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean. Cool completely before frosting with cream cheese frosting.

Frosting: Blend cream cheese and butter until smooth. Beat in vanilla and powdered sugar until creamy.

Treat Time: Give each family member a FROSTED cupcake to decorate. See image for placement of jelly beans and marshmallows to make lamb faces.

Closing Prayer and blessing on the food.