

Roll the Boat!

Lesson Idea:

Isaiah 48:17

*This is what the LORD says— your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:
“I am the LORD your God, who teaches you what is good for you and leads
you along the paths you should follow.*

God knows what is good for us. He is the one we should follow as an example of how to live our lives. The Bible is filled with instructions from God on how we should live. Jesus' life is a perfect example too of what we should be aiming for. Thankfully God has given us the Holy Spirit to help lead us too.

Here are just some examples: (write each of them onto the poles that you are going to use for the game)

- Deuteronomy 6:5 - Love God with everything.
- John 13:34-35 – Love others like Jesus has loved us.
- Matthew 28:19-20 – Tell others about Jesus.
- Ephesians 4: 2-3 – Be humble, gentle, and patient and strive for peace.
- Ephesians 4: 32 – Be kind, tenderhearted and forgiving.

Spend some time reading Bible verses together and letting the children name things for you to keep writing on the poles, before demonstrating following the ways of God using the game below.

Items needed:

- 10 poles (about 10cm diameter)
- Inflatable boat
- Marker pen

Game instructions:

1. Set up a start and finish line
2. Do the lesson above and write the ways God wants us to live on the poles.
3. Place all the poles close together and put the inflatable boat on top.
4. The aim is for the boat to get from the start to the finish line, without it touching the ground. Children take the pole at the back and keep

moving it to the front so that the boat can be pushed forward on it and move along.

