

SUBJECT: Spirit of Prophecy

GRADE: Lower Elementary

LESSON TOPIC: Who is Ellen G. White?

Lesson Behavioral Objectives: Students will:

- learn who Ellen White is
- make connections between Sister White and their own personal experiences

Materials:

“God Spoke to a Girl” by Dorothy Nelson

(book available from the ABC)

Lesson Procedures:

(a) Motivation/Introduction

Begin the lesson by asking students if they have heard of Ellen White. Entertain their responses. Read the story “God Spoke to a Girl.”

(b) Lesson Content

After reading the story, go over some key points about Ellen White. Key points would include;

- 1) Ellen White had visions from God and was called to be a messenger.
- 2) At first she was shy and didn’t want to speak publicly about God. She later understood the importance of delivering God’s word.
- 3) She received about 2000 visions and wrote approx. 35 books.
- 4) She teaches us about health, salvation, education etc.
- 5) She has helped establish schools, colleges, hospitals and a publishing plant.
- 6) She is a real person. She loves children, gets her feelings hurt, had weight problems. She liked to hike, sail, garden and sew.

After the facts about Ellen White are shared, repeat the point that she was shy at first and afraid to deliver messages about God. Ask them to think about a time when they should have delivered a message about God because someone was doing something that they should not have.

(c) Student Activities

Lower Elementary (K-2) – Draw a picture that shares a message with someone about God. Write a catchy title or sentence that explains what the picture depicts.

Upper Elementary (3-5) - Write a letter to someone that you should have delivered a message to about God. Point out their behavior and why God would disapprove.

Assessment

Completed letters

Wrap-up

End by telling students that Ellen White was a little lady that made a big difference. Her teachings should be an inspiration to always be willing to be used by God, no matter how shy we may be.

Follow up Activities