



Preschool Lesson



Lesson 3: When Windows Are Locked



Whatchagaddaknow:

“Closed, Locked Windows DON’T STOP GOD!”



Power Verse:

“Go into all the world and preach the Good News to everyone.”

- Mark 16:15

Before the Lesson

- * Collect the items for the activities you plan to use, referring to the Classroom Supplies and Lesson Manual Supplies listed in the chart.
- * Pray for your students and for God’s direction in teaching the class.

This Lesson at a Glance

Activity	Classroom Supplies	Lesson Manual Supplies
Missions Story – This week, the kids will learn from the story of missionary J.W.Tucker.		Missions Story Pictures (pg. 6-10)
Hands-On-Learning – The kids will learn that they should pray for God to open closed windows.	Completed Globe craft	
Craft Option #1 – Missions Story Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	Missions Story Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 11)
Craft Option #2 - Globe Craft	Crayons or markers, heart stickers	Globe Craft Print Piece (pg. 12)
Craft Option #3 – I Will Pray Coloring Page	Crayons or markers	I Will Pray Coloring Page Print Piece (pg. 13)



Missions Story

Supplies Needed: *Missions Story Pictures (provided on pg. 6-10)*

Teacher Instruction: *Before class begins, print the Missions Story Pictures. Have the children gathered around so they can see the pictures.*

Say- Today, I want to tell you the story of a man from Arkansas named J.W.Tucker who felt God calling him to the Congo in Africa. *(show pic)* J.W.Tucker and his family moved to the Congo to share Jesus’ love with people.

Say- One year, while J.W. was back home in the United States visiting, a group of rebels began leading attacks on people in the Congo. Men from his church prayed with J.W.Tucker at the airport and begged him not to go back. They felt it was too dangerous.

Say- *(show pic)* J.W. knew God was calling him to go back, no matter how dangerous it may be. He got on the airplane and headed back to the Congo.

Say- Less than a week after returning, their village was captured by the rebels. J.W.Tucker was taken by the rebels. He was held inside an old Catholic Mission *(show pic)* for over two months with no contact with his family or anyone.

Say- But, instead of being scared, J.W. spent every day in captivity sharing God’s love with those who were holding him. Wow! He was very brave!

Say- Sadly, J.W.Tucker was killed by the rebels. But there is more to the story... the rebels threw his body in the Bomokandi River.

Say- The river was in a place that had no churches. J.W. had told a colonel in the army about Jesus. That colonel went to share Jesus’ love with the people by the river but was rejected by the people. They didn’t want to hear about Jesus. The window of opportunity was closed and locked, for sure!

Say- Then, the colonel discovered a belief held by the people who lived in that area. It was an old tradition that says, “If a man’s blood flows in the Bomokandi River, you must hear his message.”

Say- He reminded the people of what happened to J.W.Tucker and said, “His blood flowed in the waters. You must hear his message.” So, the people listened and heard about Jesus!

Say- Today, where the Bomokandi River flows, in those tiny jungle villages, there is a church that stands on the bank of the river. *(show pic)* That church is full of people who love Jesus.

Say- Because J.W.Tucker obeyed God and was willing to go, the people of the Congo know the love of Jesus. *(show pic)*

Pray



Hands-On Learning

Supplies Needed: Completed Globe Craft

Teacher Instruction: Before class begins, gather classroom materials. Have the children gathered around so they can see any illustration materials.

Ask- What is missions?

(Allow time for response)

Say- Missions is telling others about Jesus! Let's say that together: "Missions is telling others about Jesus!" (Say the phrase aloud with the kids)

Ask- Have you ever seen an open window?

(Allow time for response)

Say- When a window is open, you can feel the fresh air, see outside, and hear the sounds, right? But sometimes, windows are closed or locked.

Ask- Why are things locked or closed?

(Allow time for response)

Say- That's right! Windows and doors are closed or locked to keep things out. Some places in the world are closed or locked because the people in charge don't want others to hear about Jesus.

Ask- But can anything stop God?

(Allow time for response)

Say- No way! Nothing can stop God's love! (Show Globe craft) God wants everyone to hear about Jesus. He loves everyone so much!

Say- So, how can we help with these places that don't know about Jesus yet? We can pray! We can pray for those closed and locked windows to open so people can hear the good news about Jesus.

Say- God's plan is for everyone to know about His love. When we pray, we are helping with that plan! Isn't that amazing?

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Hands-On Learning *(Continued)*

Say- Closed, locked windows don't stop God! Can you say that with me? “Closed, locked windows don't stop God!” *(Say the phrase aloud with the kids)*

Say- Let's pray together right now! We're going to pray for the places that have closed windows. We're going to ask God to open those windows so people can hear all about His love.

Pray



Craft #1: Missions Story Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: *Missions Story Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 11); Crayons or markers*

Teacher Instruction: *Before class begins, print the Missions Story Coloring Page Print Piece. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.*

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.



Craft #2: Globe Craft

Supplies Needed: *Pray-Give-Go Wheel Craft Print Piece (provided on pg. 12); Crayons or markers; Scissors; Brads*

Teacher Instruction: *Before class begins, print the Globe Craft Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough craft pages for each kid to have one set. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for crafting.*

How To Do Craft - Allow the kids to decorate one globe craft and place stickers on the dotted heart shapes. As you help the kids with the craft, talk about how God can use them when they pray for closed, locked places in the world.



Craft #3: I Will Pray Coloring Page

Supplies Needed: *I Will Pray Coloring Page Print Piece (provided on pg. 13); Crayons or markers*

Teacher Instruction: *Before class begins, print the I Will Pray Coloring Page Print Pieces. Make sure you have enough for each kid to have one. Gather the classroom materials as well. Have the kids sit in an area that is appropriate for coloring.*

How To Do Craft - Kids can color freely as they choose.

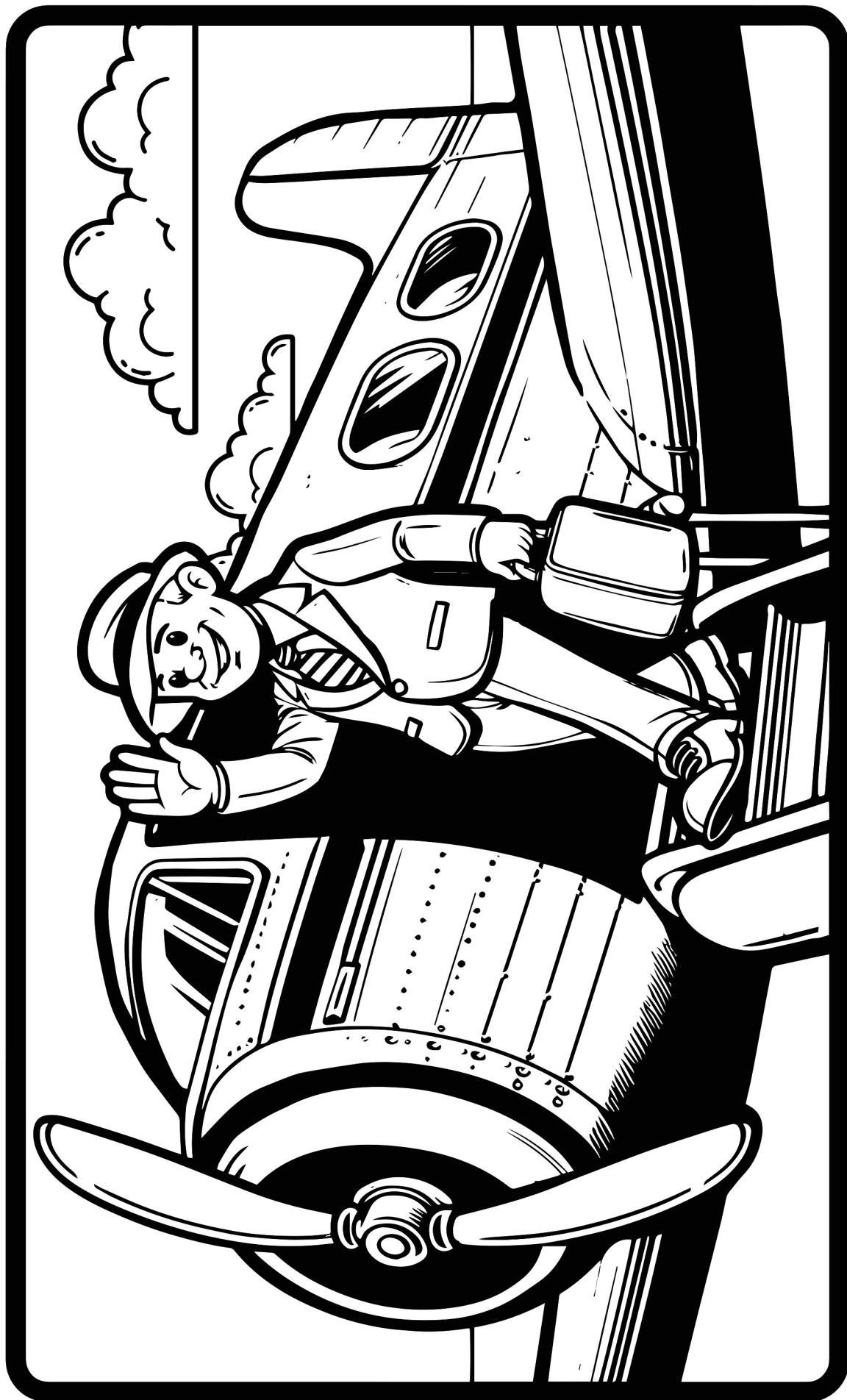












**J.W. TUCKER GAVE HIS LIFE SO PEOPLE
IN THE CONGO COULD HEAR ABOUT JESUS!**





**I WILL PRAY FOR GOD TO OPEN CLOSED,
LOCKED WINDOWS SO PEOPLE CAN HEAR ABOUT JESUS!**