

# Lesson plan

SERIES: SUIT UP THE POINT: SWORD OF THE SPIRIT BIBLE STORY: JESUS IS TEMPTED AGE: GRADE 3 - GRADE 6

### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

- Children should learn that God's Word is our Sword of the Spirit, and helps us fight against the lies of the enemy
- They should also learn that it is important for us to know what the Bible says, just like a warrior practices to know how to use their sword

### **AVAILABLE MATERIALS**

- Link Show video [15 min]
- Bible quiz kahoot
- Discussion questions
- Memory Verse

### **MEMORY VERSE**

Ephesians 6:17 - Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

### **BIBLE CONTEXT**

The story of Jesus being tempted is found in the New Testament, in the book of Matthew 4:1-11. This event occurred after Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist. It was a crucial moment in His ministry as He prepared to begin His public work. Jesus withdrew to the wilderness, led by the Holy Spirit, where He fasted for forty days and nights. During this time he was tempted. The temptations were meant to challenge Jesus' divine identity, purpose, and resolve as He embarked on His mission to save humanity. This story is a powerful demonstration of Jesus' victory over temptation and serves as a lesson for all believers about overcoming challenges and temptation through faith and reliance on God's Word



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# **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17 || What does this verse tell us about why the Bible is so important?
- 2. Jesus knew that there is nothing more important or powerful than God's word to help Him. Read Psalm 119:11 - Why should we learn the Bible?
- 3. A soldier would practice with their sword so that when the battle came, they knew how to use it. It is more than just metal, it is an extension of himself. Read Hebrews 4:12 || Is the Bible just words on a page? Or something more?

### **Personal LIFE APPLICATION**

The "Sword of the Spirit," which is the Word of God, is a powerful tool for every Christian. Just like a knight wields a sword to protect themselves, God gives us His Word to protect our hearts and minds. When we read the Bible, we are filling our hearts with God's truth. This truth can guide us and help us make good choices. It's like having a superhero weapon against anything that might try to hurt our hearts and minds.

## <u>PRAY</u>

Go around the class asking your kids if there is anything they would like prayer for. Ask if anyone would like to pray for each other, and give them the opportunity to. If not, then pray for the needs as the teacher / facilitator. Take note of any prayer requests to be passed onto your student support network.

### Lesson WRAP-UP

Take photos of any art or creations created by your children that they would like to share with The Link Show. Images can be submitted to thelinkshow@linkkids.com.au