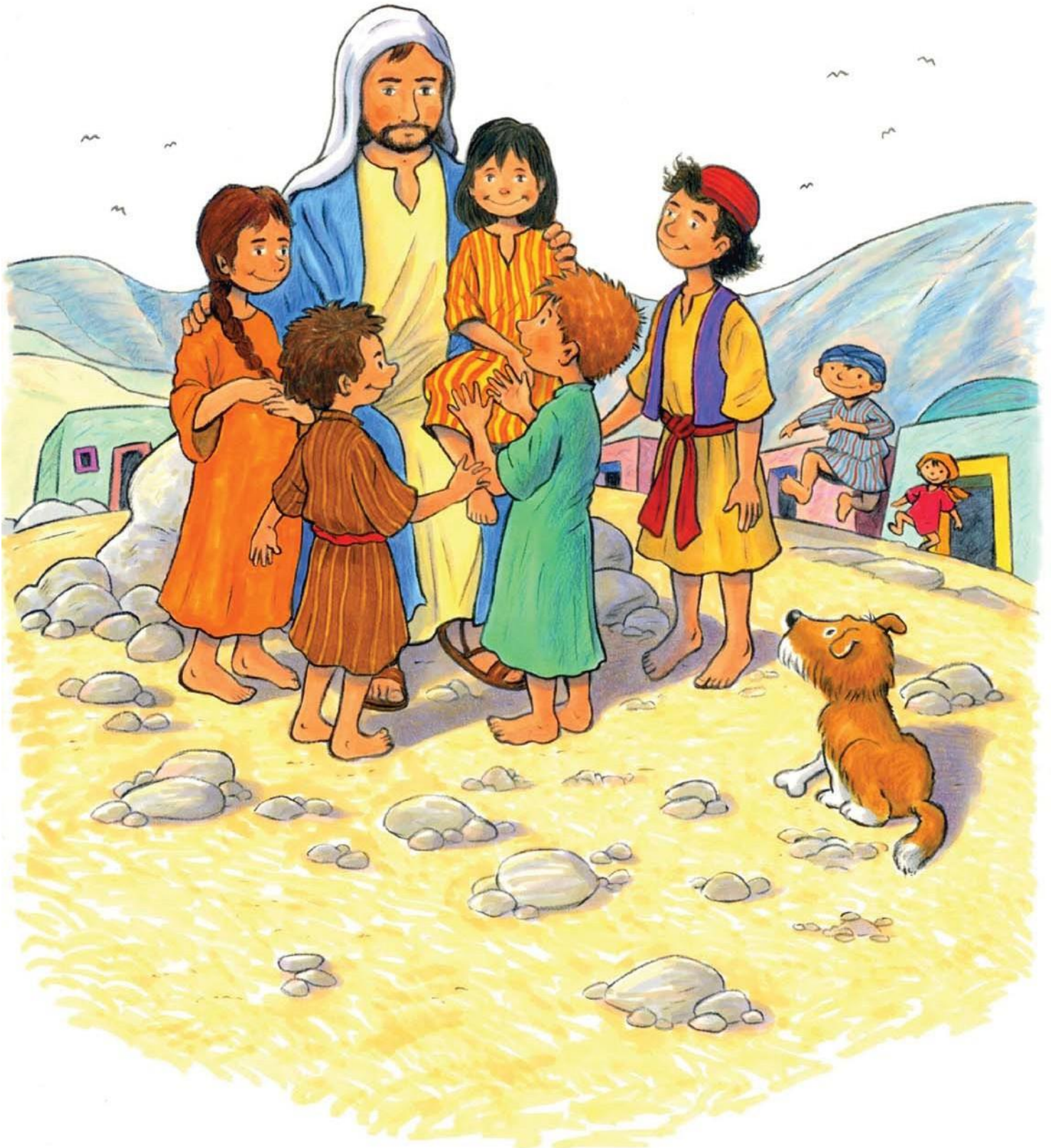


# JESUS AND THE CHILDREN

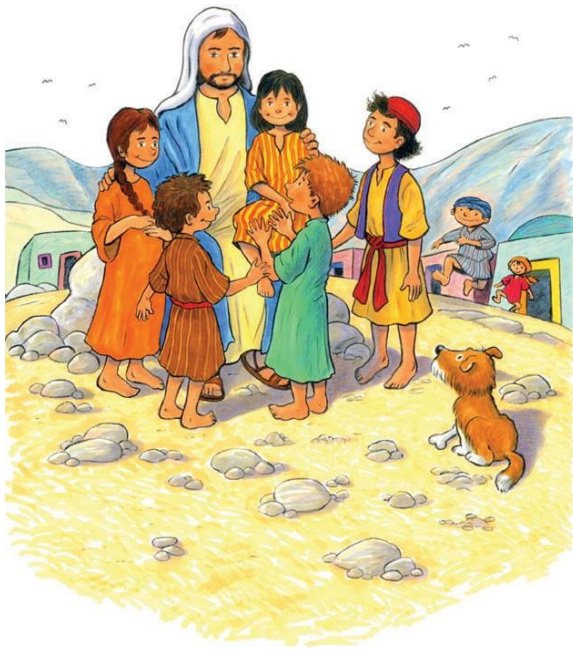
Matthew 19:13–15



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Message	Jesus receives all those who come humbly to Him.
Learning Objectives	The children will learn: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ We should be like children in front of God.</li><li>■ The gift of God's grace can only be given to us by Him.</li></ul>
Bible Text	Matthew 19:13–15

## Jesus and the Children



Many people followed Jesus because they wanted Him to help and heal them.

The mothers often brought their little children to Jesus. They hoped that He would lay His hands on their children and bless them.

When the disciples saw this, they scolded the women.

Jesus said to the disciples, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not stop them.” Jesus then said, “Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a little child will not enter it.” He laid His hands on them then went His way.

### Suggestions for the Teacher

#### Lead-In

Show the picture to the children. Discuss with them what they see. Ask what she/he may feel...  
Sing with the children an appropriate song about Jesus.

#### Lesson Instructions

Begin telling the story...

Discuss with the children...

- How does Jesus react towards children?
  - Jesus allows the children to come to Him.
  - Jesus blesses them and shows them His affection.
  - He uses the childlikeness as an example unto His disciples.
- Why does Jesus tell his disciples that a child is an "example"?
  - Children feel that they need the help of adults.
  - They trust in God and look to Him for safety and security.
  - They can look up and believe.

Have the children repeat...

- We should be like children in front of God.
- God's grace can only be given to us by Him.

Real-Life Application (explain the following)

- What support do children need from their parents? (Food, clothes, shelter, ...)
- We are children of God and need the grace of God to reach the goal of our faith.
- We trust in His godly support and shall be humble.
- Jesus is also with us in Sunday school or when we pray to Him.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Repeat the Message</b> Jesus receives all those who come humbly to Him.</p>
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