



Future-proofing our children

Confirmation 1

Lesson Title: The first Apostles of the end-time are called

A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to **The first Apostles of the end-time are called** lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1	Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp: https://bit.ly/3NACSSH5
2	Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The lesson in PDF format that is already prepared • Child's workbook and a pen, etc. • The Video Clip which is an additional/ optional resource tool • Catechism and Questions and Answers (especially for Confirmation) <p>Note:</p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2: Please keep the lesson as concise (brief) as possible, bearing in mind the attention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children - you know your child best! <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lesson is class specific (Confirmation 1).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your Confirmation Teacher if you need any assistance or if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3	Pray (see the prayer at the end of this document) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.



Present a Confirmation Lesson at Home

How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
4	Create a pleasant, disturbance free learning environment where you and the child/ren are at the same level. Example: Sit around a table.
5	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video-clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8	Present the lesson to your child.
9	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning.
10	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook (I Also Want To.....)
11	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Sunday school family.
2. Discuss the lesson with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct (do) your own research for additional (extra) information.



The Lesson

Lesson Title	The first Apostles of the end-time are called
Lesson Objective	The children learn how the first Apostles of the end-time were called.

Lesson Summary:

Introduction:

In this lesson we will learn how the first Apostles of the end-time were called. We will pay attention to:

- The calling of spiritual ministries in Albury
- The calling of John Bate Cardale into the Apostle ministry
- The calling of additional Apostles
- The consecration of the Apostles

Background:

In many parts of England and Scotland faithful Christians from various denominations had gathered in prayer meetings to ask for the Holy Spirit. They also prayed for the gifts of the ministry as in the early church. In Scotland, believers of various denominations also shared the expectation of an increased activity of the Holy Spirit. Manifestations of healing, speaking in tongues and prophecy occurred in their circle and were also widely noticed.

In some of the congregations these prayer meeting groups were tolerated but in others they were expelled together with the clergymen (pastors/church ministers) who supported them.

One of these groups, got together in Albury, a village outside London

Content:

The calling of spiritual ministries in Albury

In a prayer meeting on 20 October 1832 Henry Drummond was called as a Shepherd and Angel of the congregation. Angel at the time meant leader, so in other words, he would become the Rector of the congregation. Others were called too: William Caird as an Evangelist and John Bayford as an Elder. In a prophecy (foretelling/prediction) it was revealed that these men should wait until they have been ordained by an Apostle before dispensing the sacraments. Until then they could only preach and pray.

The believers who met in Albury were without a pastor because they had been expelled from their congregations. In Henry Drummond they found a Shepherd and so a congregation was formed.

Although there were no Apostles yet, reference to the Apostles had already been made in prophetic utterances. These ministers who have been called had to therefore wait to be ordained by an Apostle before they could fully function as ministers, i.e. dispense the sacraments.



The calling of John Bate Cardale into the Apostle ministry

On 31 October 1832 John Bate Cardale was the first to be called as apostle through a prophecy by Henry Drummond during a prayer meeting. On 7 November 1832 God revealed His calling again, this time through the Prophet Taplin.

The faithful were shocked by the Apostle's calling. They thought the Apostle ministry had been reserved for the early church only and at first did not know what importance should be attached to this calling.

Weeks passed before the Apostle became active in his ministry. On 24 December 1832 during a service in Albury he was driven by the Holy Spirit to place his hands on William Caird and Henry Drummond. John Bayford too was ordained but at a later service.

The calling of additional Apostles

By July 1835, another eleven Apostles had been called. One of them chose not to accept the calling. During a festive service, the consecration (almost like ordination) of the Apostles took place. At this service they were released from their responsibilities in the congregation and appointed to work as the Lord's ambassadors for the entire church of Christ.

The consecration of the Apostles

The consecration of the Apostles at that time was different from the ordination of an Apostle as we know it now.

It is Sunday morning on 14 July 1835. In the Central Church in London a large congregation has gathered, waiting for the Lord. The date had been appointed by prophecy three and a half years before. For seven days they had gathered to offer up their prayers in anticipation of the great event.

The Angels then laid their hands upon the Apostles and, under the words of blessing, consecrated them "for the work, for which the Lord had called them".

Conclusion:

Today an Apostle is ordained into his ministry through laying on of hands and prayer through which he receives the necessary ministerial authority (for example, to dispense the Holy Spirit and ordain ministers).

What does this lesson mean for us today?

- This lesson makes us aware of our Christian heritage and particularly how the first Apostles of our time (not the early church) was called.
- Christians prayed for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the ministry.
- Through prayers and faith, the believers experienced the gift of the ministry.
- A church led by Apostles was developed.



Here is a list of the first twelve Apostles of the end-time.

Name of the twelve Apostles	Year of birth	Month in which they were first called
John Bate Cardale	1802	October 1832
Henry Drummond	1786	January 1833
Henry King-Church	1785	April 1833
Spencer Perceval	1795	December 1833
Nicholas Armstrong	1801	January 1834
Francis Valentine Woodhouse	1805	August 1834
John Owen Tudor	1784	February 1835
Henry Dalton	1805	March 1835
Thomas Carlyle	1803	May 1835
Francis Sitwell	1797	May 1835
William Dow	1800	June 1835
Duncan Mackenzie	1785	July 1835



Notes

A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:

*Dear God, thank you for this day
 Bless all parents and children
 May we feel your presence
 Bless the lesson we will have
 Please teach us how to serve you
 And help us to do your will
 So that we grow closer to you
 Send Jesus to fetch us
 And may we be ready to meet Him
 Amen*