



Future-proofing our children

Confirmation 2

Lesson Title: Friendship, love, and loyalty

A Parent's Guide
Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the Confirmation 2 lesson entitled **Friendship, love, and loyalty**.

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	<p>Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp:</p> <p>https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</p>
2	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The lesson in PDF format that is already prepared • Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, 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 2).</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	<p>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.</p>



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 on a mat or 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 Confirmation 2 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.
4. Contact your congregation Sunday School Coordinator and/or Confirmation teacher for additional information.



The Lesson

Lesson Title	Friendship, love, and loyalty
Text	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 Samuel 16: 12 / 1 Samuel 18 - 20• 1 Samuel 20: 17 / Matthew 19: 6• John 15: 12-14
Lesson Objective	Our lesson today teaches us that the confirmands are aware that love and loyalty form the basis for a harmonious and trusting relationship.

Lesson Summary:

- Genuine friendship is a relationship which grows between two people.
- It is consolidated through mutual experiences.
- An important quality of genuine friendship is loyalty. Please do yourself a favor and read the bible story about David and Jonathan (1 Samuel 18 - 20).
- Genuine friendship is not limited to a certain age. It exists among children and young people and adults.
- To be faithful and loyal means having the firm determination to keep one's promises by putting them into action.
- As confirmands we must remember that it is very important before beginning a relationship, we can turn to our heavenly Father in prayer.
- In prayer we ask Him to give us the right thoughts and feelings. Our parents will gladly be available to counsel us.
- We can also speak with our Priest concerning matters close to our heart. He will pray for us so that we will make the correct decision.
- Jesus Christ is perfect in every way because He is without sin. He is the best friend we can have.
- We can therefore always trust Him, tell Him everything and entrust all our concerns to Him.
- He is also the bridegroom of our soul. We wait for Him to take us to Himself so that we will be forever united with Him.



What does this lesson mean for us today?

This lesson taught us that:

We need to be aware that love and loyalty form the basis for a harmonious and trusting relationship. As confirmands, always remember we can turn to our Heavenly, our parents and our ministers for advice.

Some questions that we can ask:

1. What was the name of Saul's son?

Answer: *Nathan*

2. What is genuine friendship?

Answer: Genuine friendship is a relationship which grows between two people. It is consolidated through mutual experiences.

3. Name an important quality of genuine friendship?

Answer: *Loyalty*

4. Why is Jesus Christ so special?

Answer: Jesus Christ is perfect in every way since He is without sin. He is the best friend we can have

Additional Notes Dear Parents

1. As part of homework, your child must also practice and learn the **confirmation vow** by heart.

The wording is as follows:

"I renounce Satan and all his work and ways and surrender myself to thee, O triune God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. In belief, obedience, and the earnest resolution to remain faithful to thee until my end."

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

Almighty God and eternal Father, thank you for this wonderful day.

With gratitude we bow before you today and thank you for another opportunity to learn.

Please help us today to understand and grasp the lesson but most of all, the ability to apply it in our daily lives. We ask this in Jesus's name - Amen