



## Future-proofing our children

### Confirmation 2

Lesson Title: Hope

**A Parent's Guide**  
Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the Confirmation 2 lesson entitled **Hope**.

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><a href="https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS">https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</a></p>
2	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bible</li> <li>• The lesson in PDF format that is already prepared</li> <li>• Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc.</li> <li>• The Video Clip which is an additional/ optional resource tool</li> <li>• Catechism and Questions and Answers (especially for Confirmation)</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b></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:

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4	Create a pleasant, disturbance free learning environment where you and the child/ren are at the same level. <b>Example:</b> 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

<b>Lesson Title</b>	Hope
<b>Text</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1 Peter 1: 3</li><li>• Romans 5: 2 – 5</li><li>• 1 Thessalonians 5: 24</li><li>• Hebrews 6: 18</li><li>• Hebrews 10: 35 &amp; 37</li><li>• 1 John 3: 2 – 3</li><li>• Titus 1: 2</li><li>• Titus 2: 13</li></ul>
<b>Lesson Objective</b>	<p>Our lesson today teaches us that through hope we must strive to become more and more like Jesus Christ so that the fruit of the Holy Spirit becomes obvious in us.</p> <p>Hope is a powerful force in all circumstances.</p>

### Lesson Summary:

<p>How often do we say “hopefully” or “I hope” in our daily life?</p> <p>There are many human hopes which change depending on age or situation.</p> <p>Every human being has hopes. Often people hope for their daily bread; personal wellbeing; an improvement of their circumstances through development and progress; peace to be re-established in war torn areas, and the protection of the environment.</p> <p>As confirmands our hope is also place in greater, more important things, such as passing an examination, finding a good apprenticeship position or job or even a boyfriend or girlfriend. This a merely a few examples of what people hope for, many more can be added.</p>
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## Lesson Summary *Continued*

Although to have such hopes fulfilled would be favourable, we need to realise that most of them will not be fulfilled. We should therefore ask ourselves whether our hopes are realistic.

- To test that, asked yourself a few questions such as:
- Is my hope only based on unrealistic desires?
- Do I need what I am wishing for?
- It makes me happy.
- What will I gain if my hopes are fulfilled?

There are also hopes which are rooted in godly promises.

These include the hope for:

- God's help in our life;
- the forthcoming return of Jesus Christ;
- to be accepted at the return of Christ;
- the experience of God's glory.

As children of God we place all our hope in God as regards our natural and spiritual worries.

God has fulfilled all His previous promises. For this reason, we also have a realistic, living hope that He will soon fulfil the promise of the return of Jesus Christ

## What does this lesson mean for us today?

### **This lesson taught us that:**

- There are many human hopes which change depending on age or situation.
- Although to have such hopes fulfilled would be favourable, **most of them will not be fulfilled. We must be realistic in what we hope for.**
- There are also hopes which are rooted in **godly promises**, i.e. the forth-coming return of Jesus Christ.
- We are confident that this hope will be fulfilled because God has fulfilled ALL His previous promises
- As children of God we place all our hope in God as regards to our natural and spiritual concerns.



Some questions that we can ask:

**1. Name the first three virtues of Christ that was covered over the last three lessons?**

*Answer: Faith, Love and Hope*

**2. True or False? Hope is a powerful force in all circumstances?**

*Answer: True*

**3. Will all our human hopes be fulfilled?**

*Answer: No*

**4. What is my spiritual hope based on?**

*Answer: My hope is based on divine promises*

**5. Why should our hopes be rooted in divine promises?**

*Answer: God has fulfilled all His previous promises*

**6. What will be the result if we put our hope in God?**

*Answer: This hope arouses great joy in our hearts*

### **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*