THE PERSON AND LIFE OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Character Lesson Thirteen STEADFAST

Definition:

A steadfast person is fixed in direction and firm in purpose, persevering.

Examples and/or Questions to Ask the Children:

- 1. A steadfast person doesn't easily change his mind but continues until he reaches the goal.
- 2. A steadfast person doesn't give up when things are difficult, but finishes his task.

Verse:

"... be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Corinthians 15:58b

Story:

Abraham Lincoln was a steadfast person. He had a goal of making sure that Black people were given their freedom. Many of his friends and co-workers didn't want Blacks to be free. Abraham Lincoln did not change his mind. He fought for the rights of Black people even though so many thought he was wrong.

Craft Ideas:

Build a "log cabin penny bank", see attached instructions.

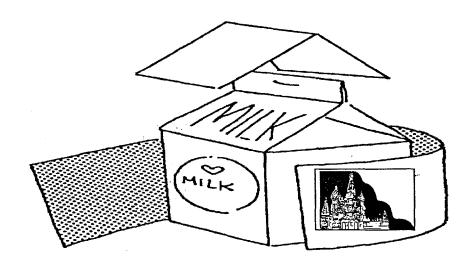
MAKING FRIENDS IN RUSSIA FOR THE KINGDOM MONEY BANK

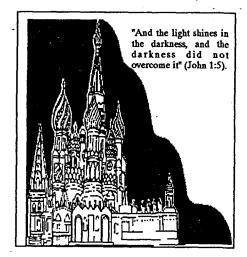
MATERIALS:

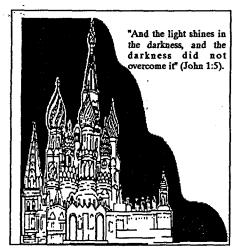
- 1. Empty half-pint milk cartons or similar sized box
- 2. Pre-cut 9-1/2" X 2-3/4" white construction paper OR a strip with will go around the outside of the box you are using. (Next page has panels that can be used for sides or glued on to construction paper.)
- 3. Pre-cut 4" X 2-1/2" white construction paper retangles for roof (see next page for cut out) or a piece the same size as the top of the box you are using.
- 4. Tape
- 5. Scissors
- 6. Glue (rubber cement works best on milk cartons)
- 7. Shiny new pennies, nickels, or dimes (one for each child)

PROCEDURE:

- 1. Give each child an empty half-pint milk carton or similar sized box and one of each of the two sizes of pre-cut paper.
- 2. Demonstrate to the class how to wrap the construction paper around the milk carton or box and secure it with tape or rubber cement.
- 3. Ask each child to fold the piece of white construction paper in half widthwise and insert the top of the milk carton into the fold. Those using a box will just need a piece of paper cut to the size of the top and it will not need to be folded.
- 4. Have children cut out scenes from Russia and "FOR THE LORD'S MOVE IN RUSSIA" and glue on opposite sides of the carton or box.
- 5. Those using a box should cut out and glue verse or top of the box.
- 6. Cut a slot in "roof" for the coins to be put in.
- 7. Work out a way that the money collected can be given to the church regularly and then passed on to the full-timers serving in Russia or to the Lord's Move in Europe fund c/o the church in Anaheim, or Rhema in Seattle for the printing and distribution of literature in the Russian language.







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'ROOF'

"MAKE FRIENDS FOR YOURSELF BY MEANS OF MAMMON OF UNRIGHTEOUSNESS, THAT WHEN IT FAILS, THEY MAY RECEIVE YOU INTO THE ETERNAL HABITATIONS" (Luke 16:9).

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