

THE RETURN OF CHRIST

John 14:3



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Learning Objectives	The children will learn: ■ We need to pay attention to what is said in the divine services and in Sunday School and try to act accordingly.
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The Return of Christ



A grandmother was reading her Community magazine while her grandchildren played in the yard. Elsie and George stopped for a moment and talked about what they heard in a recent divine service. They were in a deep discussion when they sat down next to their grandmother.

Elsie asked, "When did Jesus tell the disciples that He would return to earth?"

The grandmother replied, "Jesus told His disciples that He would return in John 14:3."

George replied, "I do remember learning that in Sunday School."

The grandmother asked, "What else did you learn?"

George replied, "That we should prepare ourselves for Jesus' return."

The grandmother replied, "You are right. What do you think we need to do to prepare ourselves for Jesus' return?"

Elsie thoughtfully replied, "We learn in Sunday School that it is important that we live our lives following the teachings of Jesus."

The grandmother smiled again, "That is true Jesus wants us to be with Him. When we follow Jesus' teachings by doing what is said in the divine services and in Sunday School, we are preparing ourselves to be ready when He returns. On that day we will be filled with great joy."

Both George and Elsie smiled and began playing a game.

Suggestions for the Teacher

Lead-In

Let a child do a morning prayer.

What should we pray for each day? (Angel's protection, parents, His return)

Lesson Instructions

Begin telling the story...

Discuss with the children...

- What do we need to do to prepare for Jesus' return? (Be baptised with water and Holy Spirit, believe in Jesus, live our lives according to Jesus' teaching, strive to be like Jesus.)
- What did Jesus explain to His disciples on the Mount of Olives?
(He would have to leave the earth and He would return.
All nations on earth shall hear the glad tidings of God's love and mercy.)

Have the children repeat...

- Jesus told His disciples that He would return.
- We need to prepare ourselves for Jesus' return.
- We pay attention to what is said in the divine services and in Sunday School.
- We try to act accordingly.

Real-Life Application (explain the following)

- Jesus wants us to be with Him.
- We will be with Him on the day He returns.
- When does Jesus return?
(He told his disciples that nobody knows the exact day and hour of His return.)
- Only God knows. That is why we have to remain watchful and prepared.

Repeat the Message

Let us prepare and be ready for Christ's return every day.