

Lesson 2 / March 14, 2010

# Part of Two Families?

for use as

## STEP 1

### Lesson 2 Focus:

Jesus wants us to be  
in His family.

### Lesson 2 Bible Basis:

John 3:1-16

### Lesson 2 Memory Verse

“Everyone who  
believes in him may  
have eternal life.”

—John 3:15

To help students think about what it means to be a part of God’s family, they will discuss a new television show and what it means to be part of a family.

Today’s lesson is all about being part of God’s family. Before class, try to learn as much as possible about your students’ families. Knowing whether students have been adopted, have been in or are currently in foster care, live in a single parent home, or are being raised by grandparents, will help anticipate questions and discussions as you prepare to teach this lesson.

- ▶ What is a family?
- ▶ Who is part of a family?
- ▶ Do all families look the same?

We all want to belong to a family and be loved by someone who will love us no matter what. That’s what the new TV show *Life Unexpected* is all about. Lux, a 15-year-old girl was given up for adoption at birth, but because of a heart problem, she was never adopted. Since then, she’s lived in group homes and foster homes where no one seems to want her. While other kids ask for toys for Christmas, 15-year-old Lux’s only wish is for a mom and a dad. Just when she’s given up, and goes to court to become a legal adult, her birth parents are discovered and given custody of Lux. Now three strangers must learn what being a family is all about.

- ▶ Why do you think that we all want to be part of a family?
- ▶ What does being part of a family look like?
- ▶ Describe the perfect family.
- ▶ What’s the best part of your family?

Our earthly families aren’t perfect, but they are still important. In today’s Bible study, we’ll learn about being part of another family—God’s family. Let’s find out how we can be a part of the best family of all.

(Continue on to Steps 2 and 3 in your *Upper Elementary Teacher’s Guide*; your Step 4 appears below.)

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## STEP 4

Lesson 2  
**Focus:**

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Lesson 2  
**Bible Basis:**

John 3:1-16

Lesson 2  
**Memory  
Verse**

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—John 3:15

**Students will make a reminder that Jesus wants us to be in His family.**

**Materials:**

quiet worship music, CD player, paper, colored pencils or pens

**T**oday, we learned about being a part of an earthly family and also a part of God’s family.

-  What shows that we belong to an earthly family?
-  What reminds us that we belong to God’s family?
-  How did you become part of your earthly family? Who decided that you’d be in your particular family?
-  Who decides if you are part of God’s family?

Spread out to think about and answer this question on your paper: “Am I a part of God’s family?” Whatever your answer is, write or draw what you intend to do throughout this week because of your answer. Play quiet worship music in the background while your students think. Let students journal or draw on their paper about how they feel that they can belong to God’s family.

Re-gather to let kids talk about their answers and response, allowing time for them to talk through what they want to do because of their relationship with God. If any students indicate an interest in becoming part of God’s family, refer to the “Helping Kids Understand Salvation” section in the inside back cover of your Teacher Guide.

Close your time together in prayer, thanking God that we can be part of His family through our faith in Jesus.

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Visit <http://www.cwtv.com/shows/life-unexpected/about> to learn more about the new TV show from Step 1.

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