

PECULIAR TREASURES LESSON

IT'S A NEW SEASON 3 - Senior

Lesson 3: A New Session
Text: Isaiah 43:18, 19; Luke 15:11-32; Exodus 2:9-11
Central Truth: You can't change the past, but what you do now will affect your future.
Memory Verse: Isaiah 43:18 "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past."

GETTING STARTED

1. The children will mention the different stages in the educational system. OR
2. The teacher will ask questions, starting from questions for preschoolers, then lower primary, then upper primary, then JSS, then SSS, and finally a university question. OR
3. Any student who had failed a test before will mention whether or not he/she passed the exam at the end of the term.

THE WORD

In our scripture from the book of Isaiah, we are told to forget the past. It's not as if we should forget about everything from the past, but anything that wants to draw us down should be forgotten.

In the story of the prodigal son, we see the son who went astray. Life seemed to be great for some time. That was until he ran out of money. He sat down and reflected and he took a good step by returning to his father. Normally, the prodigal son should have been punished by his father, but his father realized that his son was repentant, so he forgot about the past and encouraged his son to do the same. The son started a new season in his life working for his dad again.

Moses started his education at home. He then entered a new season when he continued his education in Pharaoh's palace. When he was an adult, he took special classes in the wilderness. There were different things to learn at each stage.

When you start a new session in school, it is time to forget about how well or not so well you did the previous session. You are in a new class with (usually) a new teacher. You are to make up your mind to be the best you can be in that class, paying attention in class, submitting assignments in class, and studying well. Things in your new class, your new school, can be much better than the past. Focus on the new session. God has something special for you.

MEMORY VERSE

Isaiah 43:18 "Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past."

AT OUR LEVEL

- The children in primary 5 / primary 6, should talk about how things are in the final year of primary school.
- The children in JSS1 should compare their time in primary school with their time in secondary school.
- One or two children can share how they felt when they had to change schools when they were in primary. The initial feeling and then how they felt after spending some time in their new school.
- Anyone given a prefect or leadership post this year should talk about how they feel about it.
- Anyone that a subject was very difficult before, should make up his/her mind that this session the subject will be easier.

CONFESSION

I have entered into a new season. My results this school year will be better than last year. I am better academically. I am better socially. I am more organized. I forget the things in the past that did not work. I focus on the work in front of me. I am the head and not the tail.

REVISION

1. The memory verse for today's lesson is _____
2. What did the prodigal son have to forget?
3. Mention three places where Moses 'went to school'.
4. Is there anything you can do about the past?
5. Why do you sometimes need to forget about the past?
6. What are some of the challenges people face when they start a new class?

ACTIVITY

The students will play a modified version of *I Went to the Market*. This time, it will be 'I went to school and I learnt about...' (*alphabetical order*)

IN CLOSING

Conclude and pray

PECULIAR TREASURES LESSON

IT'S A NEW SEASON 3 - Junior

Lesson 3: A New Session
Text: Isaiah 43:18, 19; Luke 15:11-32; Exodus 2:9-11
Central Truth: You can't change the past, but what you do now will affect your future.
Memory Verse: Isaiah 43:18a "Forget the former things,"

GETTING STARTED

1. The children will mention their present class. OR
2. The teacher will ask questions, starting from questions for preschoolers, then lower primary, then upper primary. OR
3. The children will mention something they learnt in school that day.

THE WORD

In our scripture from the book of Isaiah, we are told to forget the past. It's not as if we should forget about everything from the past, but anything that wants to draw us down should be forgotten.

In the story of the prodigal son, we see the son who went astray. Normally, the prodigal son should have been punished by his father, but his father realized that his son was repentant, so he forgot about the past and encouraged his son to do the same. The son started a new season in his life working for his dad again.

Moses started his education at home. He then entered a new season when he continued his education in Pharaoh's palace. When he was an adult, he took special classes in the wilderness. There were different things to learn at each stage.

When you start a new session in school you are in a new class with (usually) a new teacher. You are to make up your mind to be the best you can be in that class. Focus on the new session. God has something special for you.

MEMORY VERSE

Isaiah 43:18a "Forget the former things,"

AT OUR LEVEL



- The children should talk about their class, what they like about their class.
- The children should talk about the work they do in class.

CONFESSION



I have entered into a new season. I do well in school. I have good friends. I do the right things. I am an obedient child. My teacher likes me and my work.

REVISION

1. The topic for today is _____
2. The memory verse for today's lesson is _____
3. Who returned home to work for his father?
4. Which Hebrew boy went to school in Pharaoh's palace?

ACTIVITY

The students will take turns (in threes) to write something on the board as directed by the teacher. The younger ones will write numbers and letters while the older ones will write words and do simple calculations.

IN CLOSING

Conclude and pray.