

Cornerstone January 17th, 2021

Start with science experiment

Supplies:

- White carnations
- Food coloring
- Vases or clear cups
- Sharp knife or scissors



Instructions

Step 1: Add 10 drops of food coloring into a small vase.

Step 2: Fill with water. Add more drops to achieve a darker color.



Step 3: Cut each stem of your carnations on an angle and place inside a vase.



Step 4: Wait and watch! Within a few hours, you'll begin to see the carnations change color. As the flower "drinks" the water, the water will run through the stem as well as all of the petals.

Have your child predict which carnation they think will turn the darkest color. It may not be the one they think! We thought purple would certainly be as dark as the blue, but that wasn't the case. The green and blue flowers came out the most vivid, with the others turning a more pastel shade (still beautiful!).

Right Now Media – Session 7: 1 John 3:1-10

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/KidsShow/253742?episode=7>

READ AGAIN

1 John 3:1–10

"The Father has loved us so much! He loved us so much that we are called children of God. And we really are his children." (1 John 3:1a, ICB)

1. Who were the ones who could talk to a king anytime and not get in trouble? (The king's children.)

2. Since God created everything, and is in charge of everything, what does that make Him? (The King of everything.)

3. And John says because of Jesus we are invited to be ... what? (The children of God.)

4. Which means we can be with God and talk to God when? (Whenever we want!)

5. If we are God's children, will we stop being mean and selfish all at once? (No, but over time we will become more kind and loving. That's a sign of knowing God and being His child.)

6. When Jesus comes back we will see Him "as He really is." What does that mean? (Perfect.)

7. And what will we be like then? And our whole world? (Also perfect. Without sickness, without death, without sin.)

8. How does it make you feel to know you can always talk to God? About anything? And never get in trouble for interrupting Him? Do you really believe that we're princes and princesses?

9. Does this make you want to bring your problems to Him more often? How could that help you in a bad day?

Wrap-Up

Over the next day watch how the colour on your carnation changes.

- What makes the colour change? – (the food colour)

This is an example of how we change the more time we spend with God.

We are the flower - God is the water.

- What would happen if the flower had no water in the vase? (eventually dry up and die)

The more time we spend with God, the more we "suck up" God, the more we become like him. Jesus is referred to as living water. If we don't drink the living water then our spiritual life/faith can dry up.

- What are some thoughts on how we have more living water (Jesus) in our lives?
 - Read your Bible – get a version you can read easily, start with the life of Jesus
 - Borrow books from church library – there are many great kids books that take Bible stories and present them in fun and interesting ways
 - Adventure in Odyssey – Listen to AIO recordings and learn from the adventures they undertake
 - Videos – Veggie tale videos, Other videos on Right Now Media (spend more time watching stories that will help your faith grow)
 - Bible art – ask Pastor Rachel for information on art you can do in your Bible or in a Bible journal art book. Read a Bible story, and then do something creative in another Bible or art book so you can look back and remember the stories you have read.