



Future-proofing our children

Confirmation 2

Lesson Title

Willingness to offer and sacrifice

A Parent's Guide
Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the “**Willingness to offer and sacrifice**” Confirmation 2 lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1	<p>Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp:</p> <p>https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</p>
2	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The lesson in PDF format that is already prepared • Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc. • The Video Clip which is an additional/ optional resource tool • Catechism and Questions and Answers (especially for Confirmation) <p>Note:</p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2: Please keep the lesson as concise (brief) as possible, bearing in mind the attention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children - you know your child best! <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lesson is class specific (Confirmation 2).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your Confirmation Teacher if you need any assistance or if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3	<p>Pray (see the prayer at the end of this document) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.</p>



Present a Confirmation Lesson at Home

How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

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4	Create a pleasant, disturbance free learning environment where you and the child/ren are at the same level. Example: Sit on a mat or around a table.
5	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video-clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8	Present the lesson to your child.
9	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning.
10	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook (I Also Want To...)
11	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Confirmation 2 family.
2. Discuss the lesson with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct (do) your own research for additional (extra) information.
4. Contact your congregation Sunday School Coordinator and/or Confirmation teacher for additional information.



The Lesson

Lesson Title	Willingness to offer and sacrifice
Text	Genesis 14: 18-20; Hebrews 7: 1-2; Genesis 22: 1-19; Genesis 28: 22; Genesis 32:10; Luke 21: 1-4; Malachi 3: 10; Matthew 23: 23; 2 Corinthians 9: 6-7
Catechism & Q&A	Chapter 13, Q&A 729 - 738

Lesson Objective	Our lesson today teaches us that the confirmands know that God's work is built up on offerings and sacrifices which are brought out of love for the Lord.
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Lesson Summary:

- ü The willingness to offer and sacrifice generally refers to a person's inner desire to use his gifts and talents for the benefit of others.
- ü Sacrifices are gifts offered to God in other words, human deeds performed in service of others.
- ü There are tangible (monetary offerings) and intangible sacrifices (giving of our time and energy).
- ü Spiritual sacrifices refer to intercessory prayers and putting our talents and energy at God's disposal.
- ü Offerings and sacrifices require the right heart's disposition.
- ü I bring my offering and sacrifice voluntary and joyfully to express my gratitude to God.
- ü Relationship between sacrifice and blessing.
- ü God's work was started with a sacrifice and will be completed with sacrifices.

What does this lesson mean for us today?

God's work started with a sacrifice (Jesus Christ crucifixion) and is developed with offerings and sacrifices which are brought out of love for the Lord. The Lord's work will be completed with sacrifices.



Some questions that we can ask:

1. What do we mean when we talk about “willingness to offer and sacrifice?”

Answer: The term “willingness to offer and sacrifice” refers to a person’s inner desire to use his gifts and talents for the benefit of others and even put his own interests aside for this purpose.

2. Who is the greatest example of willingness to sacrifice?

Answer: Jesus Christ is the greatest example. Out of love for mankind, He gave His life as an offering and sacrifice.

3. How is willingness to sacrifice demonstrated in congregational life?

Answer: Many members dedicate a considerable portion of their leisure time, energy, and talent to the service of the congregation without remuneration.

4. What is a spiritual sacrifice?

Answer: When one submits one’s will to the will of God and allows oneself to be led by that which God desires.

5. How can we offer and make sacrifices?

*Answer: Voluntarily, joyfully and to express our gratitude to God **OR** reluctantly and without joy.*

Additional Notes Dear Parents

1. As part of homework, your child must also practice and learn the **confirmation vow** by heart.

The wording is as follows:

“I renounce Satan and all his work and ways and surrender myself to thee, O triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In belief, obedience, and the earnest resolution to remain faithful to Thee until my end.”



A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:

Almighty God and eternal Father, thank you for this wonderful day.

With gratitude we bow before you today and thank you for another opportunity to learn.

Please help us today to understand and grasp the lesson but most of all, the ability to apply it in our daily lives.

We ask this in Jesus's name - Amen