

SALT AND LIGHT VISUAL AIDS

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- Steps to Overcoming Sin (steps 1-5)

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These visual aids are also found in the optional Student Guide. If you are using the student guide, do not print Visual Aids marked with a ().

Lesson 1: "I Can't Do Maths!" Role Play

<u>Scene:</u> Shopkeeper is selling salt at his/her shop. Buyer approaches to purchase salt.

Buyer 1 walks into shop and asks to buy some salt and asks about the price of the salt. Shopkeeper provides the salt, Buyer 1 pays, shopkeeper provides change to Buyer 1.

As Buyer 1 walks away, s/he counts the change and realises that the shopkeeper has given TOO MUCH change. Buyer 1 laughs and says something like, *"This is my lucky day! That shopkeeper has given me too much change. What an uneducated person; s/he doesn't even know how to add. HAHA!!"* Buyer 1 walks away.

Buyer 2 then walks into the shop and proceeds to buy salt and also receives incorrect change from the shopkeeper.

As buyer 2 walks away, s/he counts the change and realises the shopkeeper has given TOO MUCH change! Buyer 2 looks concerned and says something like, *"Oh no. The shopkeeper has given me too much change. S/he has made a mistake and will lose money in his/her business this way."*

Buyer 2 returns to the shopkeeper and does **not** talk about God, or the Church....but only explains that s/he received too much change and returns the extra money.

The Shopkeeper then says, "Thank you so much. I never finished school and do not know how to do maths very well. This is causing me a big problem with my business. I wish I could do maths better."

Buyer 2 sympathises and agrees that this is a big problem. Buyer 2 offers to help teach the shopkeeper proper maths and other business practices so s/he can improve the business. Shopkeeper demonstrates that s/he is VERY grateful as Buyer 2 leaves the shop.

Lesson 1: Three Short Stories

Community 1 In our village, whenever someone got sick the witch doctor would come and require them to sacrifice an animal in order to receive advice and medicines. When the Christians at the church learned about health through the TCT program, they started to use the lessons to treat common illnesses for themselves and their neighbours. All of us in the village could see that the people who were following their advice would get better without having to sacrifice animals. Now our whole village tries to prevent and treat illness rather than making sacrifices. This saves us money and keeps us healthy! It seems that serving their God makes their lives better. It makes our lives better, too!

- What did the church do?
- How did the church see God's blessings?
- What changes took place in the community?
- How did the people in the villages react?
- How can we become more like this church?

Community 2 In our village, when the people came to harvest a field, the owner of the field would be required to provide a large meal and sodas or alcohol. Sometimes the cost of this was more than the profit I would make on the field! After studying about doing Acts of Love, the Christians in our community decided that they would help in the fields of the poor without requiring any payment. Soon, other people in the village saw what they were doing and stopped requiring food and drinks, too! They even helped in my field! Nowadays everyone in the village is willing to work in each other's fields for free. We all bring our own meals and we work together. As a result, I'm able to make a profit and so are my neighbours! Now harvesting is a time we look forward to instead of a time we worry about, and we can provide for our families with our profits! I wonder why the church decided to help even the people who aren't Christians? Maybe I'll ask them...

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Community 3 Our village has made Acts of Love a part of our everyday lives. We do Acts of Love every week. In fact, this has become such a normal way of life that now, whenever someone sees a need, they will just stop and try and solve the problem. If there are rocks or trash on the road, they stop to remove them. As a result, our whole village has changed from being one of the dirtiest, most underdeveloped in the area to being reasonably developed and tidy! We have recently been able to build a beautiful church with the income that we now have from working hard and helping one another! We can *see* the change, but we also *feel* the change in the ways we treat each other. We are much happier and thankful that the people of the church loved us enough to show us a better way to live.

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Lesson 3: Role Play

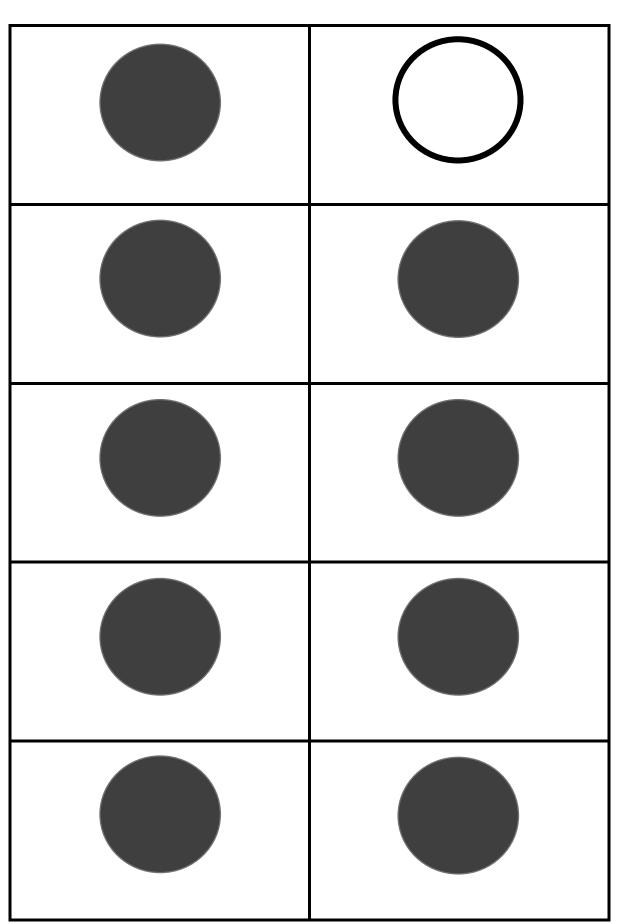
Character 1: (Act very PROUD)

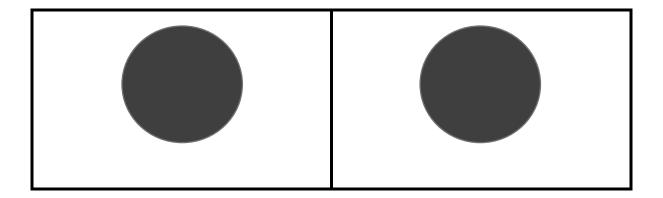
How satisfying! Today I preached to a crowd of people in town. My loudspeakers were very useful for everyone to hear my fancy prayers and spiritual rules – I told them all the ways they should be living. I know I convinced them, because they all raised their hands to become Christians when I was finished preaching. I truly am the best evangelist in this area – no-one else has as much success as me! It's not surprising: I spend 2 hours praying and 1 hour reading the Bible every day. Last week I fasted for 3 days and asked God to give me 50 conversions this month. I am sure when He sees how much I pray and fast that He will answer my prayer. It's too bad that others aren't as spiritual as me – they don't know how to really commit themselves to God's work... Oh – there's that neighbourhood drunkard again. It looks like he won't even be able to find his way home and it's only 5:00! He really needs to hear one of my sermons! Well, I don't have time for him right now – it's time to pray! (Hurries off.)

Character 2: (Act frustrated, with a bad attitude, and get angrier as you speak) Phew! What a day – I'm exhausted! Being part of the church is taking up a LOT of my time! Every week I spend my time helping others and singing in the choir. No wonder the pastor told me that I was such a blessing to the church! Today I visited 3 people that were sick and brought them food. Just last week, I organized the building of a house for a widow... (Starts to get angry) I don't know why her own children can't help – she has 2 sons who should help her! I spent time away from <u>my</u> family, but no one seems to care that I am sacrificing to help <u>them</u>! I'm sure they will never thank me for all my work. At least the pastor and the others in the congregation will see what a 'Good' Christian I am. Well, it's time for choir practice. I'd better get going...

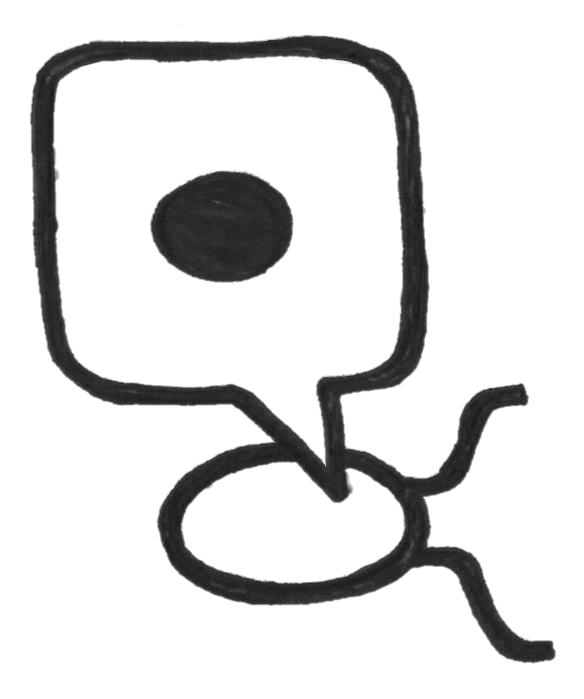
Character 3: (Act Humble and Repentant)

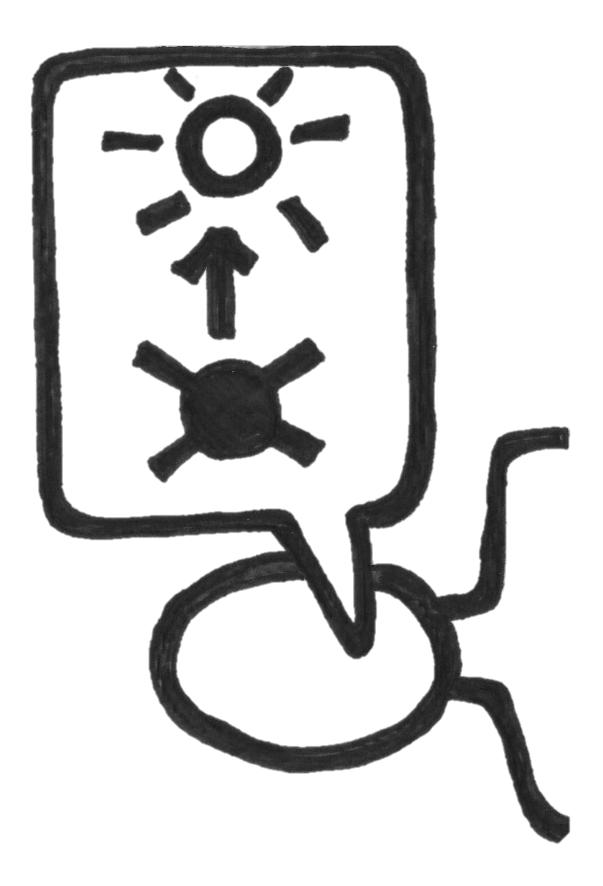
I am always so impressed with (person 1) and (person 2). They are so spiritual and do so many good things for the church. But it feels like I just never quite manage to be as good as them. Today I tried to spend time praying, but after just a few minutes, my daughter fell and cut her knee, so I stopped to clean and put a bandage on it. Soon it was time to take the children to school. After that, I went to the fields to work. On my way home, I stopped to visit with the widow next door. The poor woman – she just lost her husband and she is so bitter. I really feel so sorry for her. We spent a few hours talking while I helped her with her laundry, and I prayed with her. She seemed much happier, but I wish that there was more that I could do to help. My heart is so sad for her. If only I were more spiritual like the others, then I could do more. (Bowing head) Father, please forgive me for the ways I am not perfect. I want to live a life that honours You. Show me how to spend my time and how to love others as You want me to. I need Your help; I know I can't do it by myself.

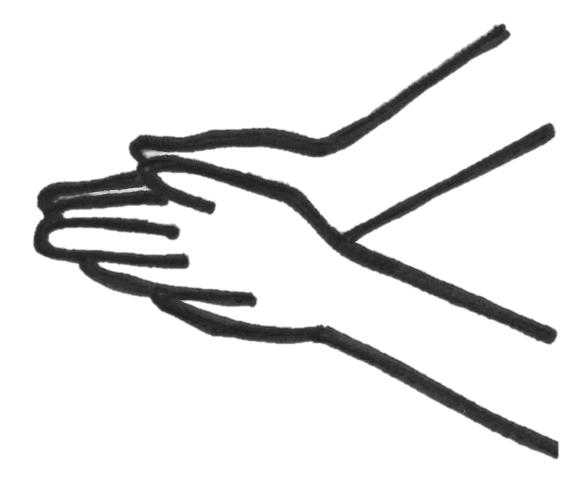


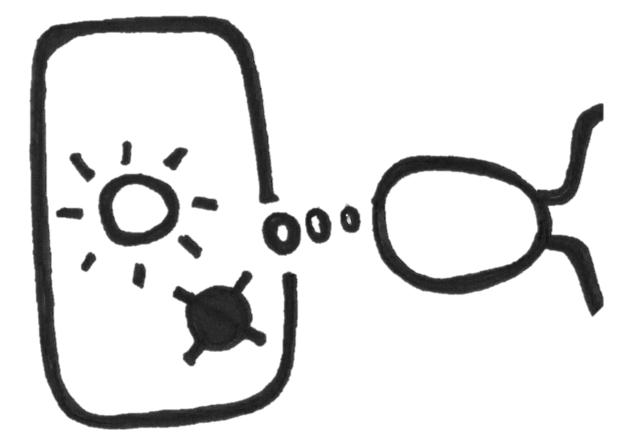


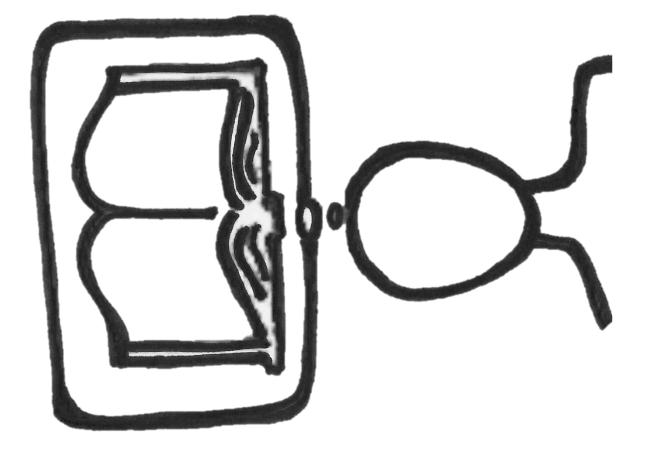




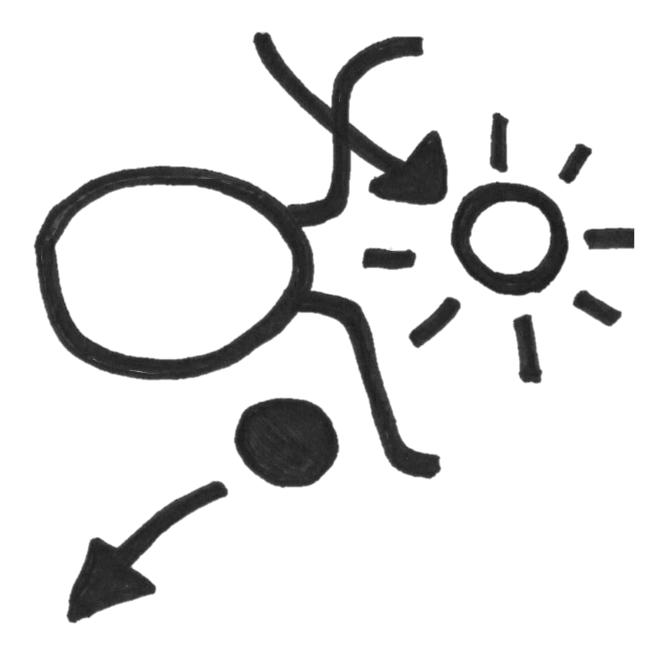


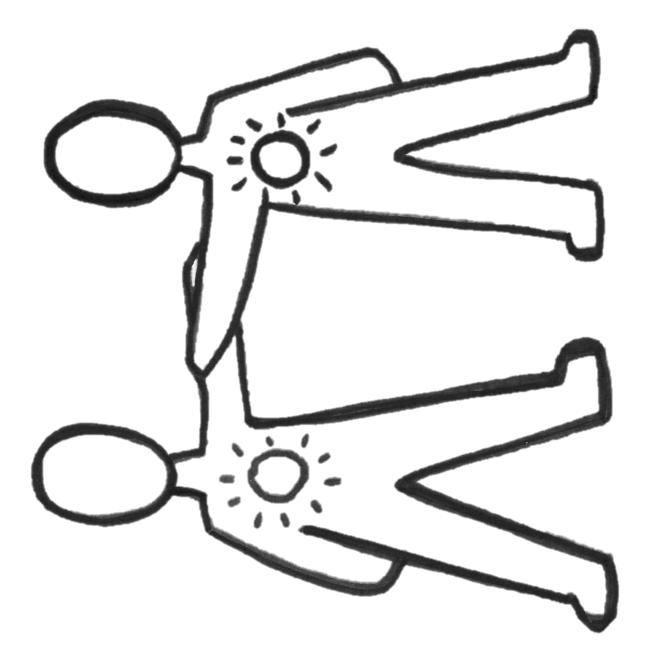












Common Sin: ______

STEPS	IMAGE	SIN
REMOVE SIN		
1. Identify the Sin	Im	
2. Confess & Be Forgiven	Q.	
3. Repent & Commit	Q X + X	
RENEW OUR MINDS		
4. Pray Daily		
5. Control Our Thinking	ý. Č	
6. Memorise Scripture	Â.	
REPLACE BAD WITH GOOD		
7. Flee Temptation		
8. Develop New Habits		
9. Accountability		

Lesson 9: Seven Ways to Encourage Serving

- Have you tried any of these methods? What has worked? What didn't work?
- What are some passages that we can use to teach on the importance of service?
- What are some of the ways that you have used to recognise and thank people? What are some other ideas that you could try?
- How can you create more enjoyment? What are ways to make serving more fun?