UNIT TITLE: LEARNING HOW TO WITNESS FOR CHRIST

LESSON#1: WHAT IS WITNESSING?

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 1:1-4

**MEMORY VERSE: ACTS 1:8** 

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

MAIN OBJECTIVE: To train the students to become witnesses of Christ or simply to share Jesus to others.

Pre-session: Name the picture game (various categories)

Instruction: Once identified correctly, survey how many have gone there and to whom did they share their experiences with. ("Ilan na ang nakapunta riyan?" "Sinu-sino ang kinuwentuhan niyo sa ginawa niyo riyan?")

- Amusement parks (Enchanted kingdom, Star City, SM Mall of Asia, etc.)
- Outing activities (swimming, basketball, volleyball, badminton, etc.)
- Foods (Jollibee, Mcdo, samgyupsal, Inasal, etc.)

Introduction: You notice that when you have gone to a memorable place, have experienced an unforgettable activity, or even have eaten a delicious food, you tend to share the news with somebody else, usually family and friends. It does not matter if you're shy or loud, top at your class or not, as you just want to tell someone what happened to you, including even the bad experiences.

Lesson: What is a Witness?

A witness testifies to what is seen or heard and verifies what is true. (In court, a witness must swear to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.)

What is Witnessing?

For us, Christians, witnessing is sharing your personal experience with Jesus. From the moment we have repented of our sins and accepted Jesus Christ as our personal Lord and Savior of our lives, we open the way for Him to move and change us. With our relationship with Jesus, not only we experience change but we begin to truly know Him through His Word, the Bible.

In the Bible, we have the gospel books accounting the story of Jesus from birth to ascension. The reason we have historical accounts is because of witness reports. These witness reports of the gospel books are those who have seen, heard, and/or have been with Jesus.

The gospel of Luke is written by Luke, not because he has been with nor seen nor heard Jesus first hand but by the eyewitness reports.

## **LUKE 1:1-4**

Many people have set out to <u>write</u> accounts about the <u>events</u> that have been <u>fulfilled</u> among us. They used the <u>eyewitness reports circulating</u> among us from the early disciples. Having carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I also have decided to write an accurate account for you, most honorable Theophilus, so you can be certain of the <u>truth</u> of everything you were taught.

Witness reports are expected to be true/factual. Same with Luke, we may have not seen nor heard Jesus physically first hand but we believe because of the witness reports. And as we begin to follow Christ, we can truly put our faith in Him for we experience Him personally in our lives.

Now that we have witnessed that truly Jesus is at work and we have obtain the knowledge of Him through His Word, we are called by Jesus to be His witnesses; to share Jesus to others.

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Post Session Activity: