

Activities:



Show children a box with a special object inside it. Tell them what is inside and ask if they believe you. Wait until the end of the lesson to show it to them.

Have children count out goldfish in piles of ten to get to 153. Imagine this many large fish.

Ask children the following questions. When they say they believe, ask if they have actually seen it (happen)?

Do you believe there are pillows in the White House?

Do you believe that blue whales are real?

Do you believe in gravity?

Do you believe that Abraham Lincoln was president?

Do you believe there is a place called Australia?

Do you believe in the wind?

Why do you believe these things? (We have heard/read the reports from people who did see it, it makes sense, we can feel its effects) Do you believe Jesus Christ died and rose from the dead? You didn't see Jesus rise from the dead, but you have read the reports of those who did, it makes sense when you read all the prophecies about Him, and when we have Jesus in our hearts, we can feel His presence inside us. Remember, Jesus said blessed are those who believe without seeing.

UPPER

ELEMENTARY

JESUS APPEARS TO DISCIPLES



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Lower Elementary

Jesus Appears to Disciples



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Jesus said to him, “Because you have seen Me, have you believed? Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed.”

~ John 20:29

- ❖ Children draw a picture of Jesus with white crayon
- ❖ Children color over paper with water paints



Preschool

Coloring Page:

Encourage children to draw a picture of Jesus in their home. Talk about what it would have been like to have Jesus appear in your home all of a sudden.

Modeling Dough:

Encourage children to make fish. Talk about how amazing it was that Jesus made all those fish appear in the disciples' net.

Game:

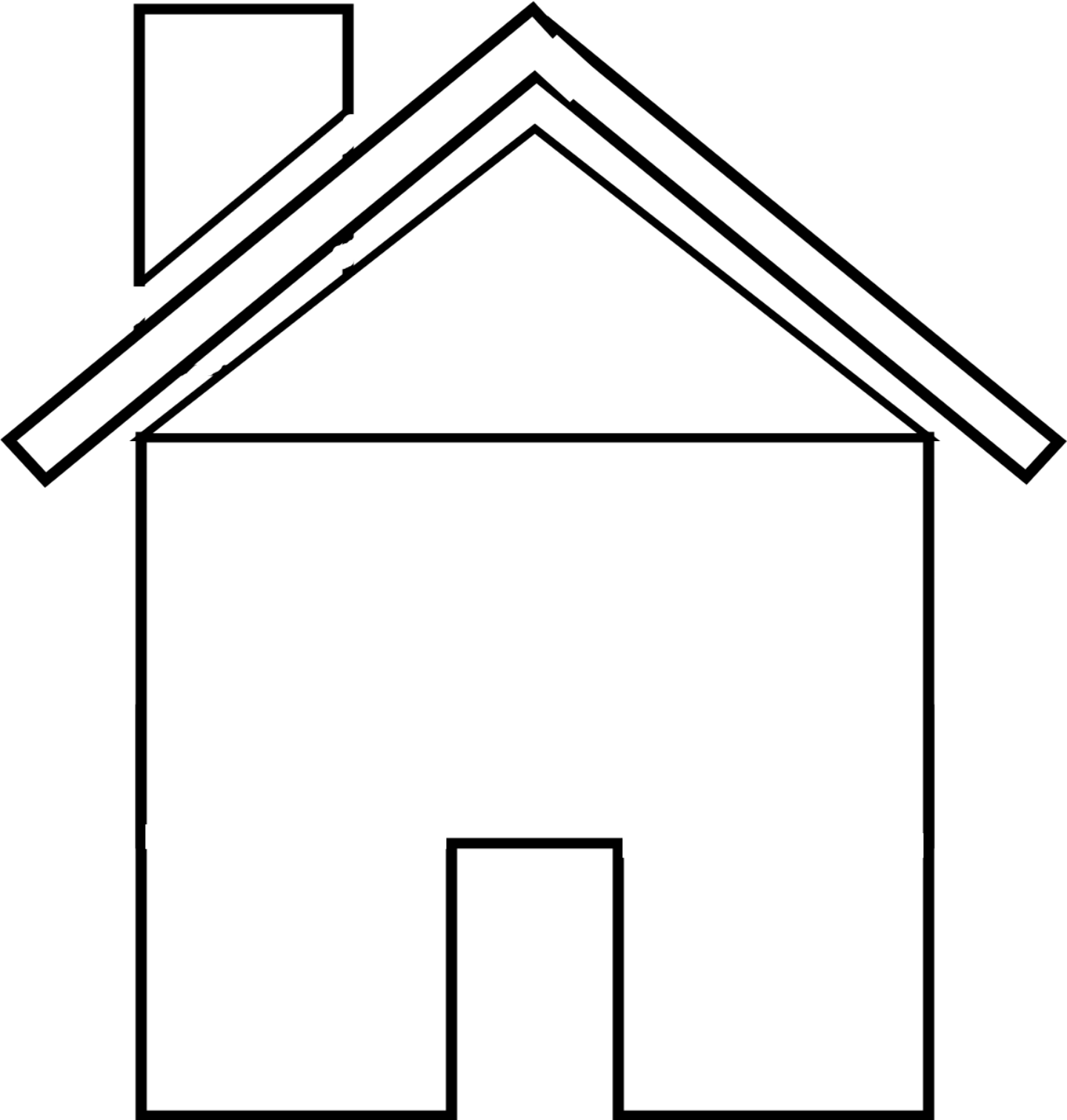
Have children close their eyes and make different sounds (snapping, ringing a bell, clapping hands, clicking tongue, etc.) Ask them to name the sound. Did they believe you really did that action without seeing you do it? Just like we can believe what we don't see by hearing, we can also believe what we don't see by faith.

Say obvious lies, ("The sky is purple," "Monkeys live in the ocean," "Penguins are from Mars.") Tell the children to shake their heads and say, "That's doubtful." Then, say, "Jesus rose from the grave!" and have the children call out, "Don't doubt it!"

Jesus Appears to Disciples



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I believe in Jesus!