

KIDS

Mr. Clean

Best Use

A family time activity.

What is it about?

Use this lesson to help kids learn about the holiness of God.

Advance Preparation

Make sure you have the following on hand.

- Masking tape
- Container of powder (baby powder, corn starch, flour)
- Bible

What you do...

Follow these steps for a great experience...

1. Take your family outdoors to a large cemented or paved area (driveway, garage, sidewalk, etc)

2. Use masking tape to draw a square on the ground, large enough for a person to stand in. Then tape off a path, about three feet wide and five feet long, leading up to the square. Have your family help you liberally sprinkle powder or corn starch to completely cover the larger area, leaving the square clean.
3. When the larger area is filled in, have everyone gather at the end of the path farthest from the clean square and remove their shoes and socks.
4. **Explain...** the goal of this activity is to walk across the powdered area in your bare feet, and step into the clean area without getting any of the powder in it.
5. Have family members take turns walking, hopping, and tiptoeing toward the clean square. No matter how carefully they walk at least a tiny bit of powder will stick to their feet and come off in the clean area. Sweep the clean area after each turn so you can fairly judge the next family member's efforts.
6. After everyone has had a turn, ask...
 - What do you think is the best technique for getting to the area with the least amount of powder on your feet?
 - Is there any way to get to the clean square that we didn't try? (the impossibility of the task should be emphasized to set up the point)
7. **Share...** This activity reminds me of us and God
8. **Read...** Exodus 3:1-6, then discuss
9. Why did Moses have to take off his shoes? (they were too dirty to touch the holy ground)
10. What does it mean to be holy? (separate; apart from anything unclean)
11. Why would Moses be afraid to even look at God? (God's power and perfection would seem overwhelming)
12. **Share...** to be holy means to be set apart, completely clean from sin. If the powder we used represented sin, the clean square would be a holy area. God is holy. He's completely clean without even the tiniest speck of sin on Him. And just like our feet were covered with powder, our lives are covered with sin. That's why Moses couldn't ever look at God. God is holy, we can't even begin to get near Him!