**Belief in God Lesson 02**

Memorization verse: God's grace is like the rain that cometh down from heaven. 'Abdu'l-Bahá

1. HOW do we know about God? **From His Messengers**, their Words and their Actions, and also **from God's creation**

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| **Time** | **Activity** | **Who** | | **Details** | | | **Materials** |
| 3:30 | Play and snacks in the park |  | | Snacks for children: | | | Name-tags |
| 4:00 | Walk to Michelle's home |  | | Remind children and parents to remove shoes and enter quietly | | | Rope with rings |
| 4:05 | Opening prayer |  | | Ask by a show of hands, how do we always start the class (with prayer). Ask why, then explain it is because God is the source of all virtues, and we are asking for His help in our spiritual development. Sing "Entire being..." prayer with motions | | | CD with song  Poster with words |
| 4:10 | Introduce Topic |  | | Description of Belief in God  Who are the Messengers from God? What are some of their names?  How do they teach us about God? (by their explanations (their words) and the example of their lives  What do they teach us about God? God loves us, wants the best for us, so God teaches us how to behave towards each other and towards the world | | |  |
| 4:15 | Song: *Thank Him* |  | | Teach children the motions, then practice the song with them | | | CD with song  Poster with words |
| 4:20 | Story:  *The Wonderlamp* |  | | Children act out the story as one teacher reads it, the other teacher gives 'stage directions'  Props in basket: Table, green felt, rocks from garden, sun (made from glitter paper), candle-lamp, scarves, flowers, turbans for (merchant, governor, King, other guy). | | |  |
|  | Craft activity |  | | Make something from the story using Play Dough (a flower, the lamp, the children,...) | | |  |
| 5:10 | Story 2 |  | | Any of the board books about God or  the first part of *Flowers of One Garden* by Gloria Faizi.  Text is great. Consider adding more illustrations. | | | Book |
| 5:25 | Memorize Verse |  | | Motions:  **God's grace is like the rain...**  **that cometh down from heaven** | | Look up, raise arms over head in a "V" .  Make "rain" with fingers, falling all the way to the floor. | Tune similar to from last week:  Be generous in prosperity and thankful in adversity |
| 5:30 | Closing song: *This Little Light of Mine* |  | | One child passes out the tea-lights, another child picks them up | | | LED tea-lights from Michaels |
| **Backup Activities** | | | | | | | |
|  | Previous song | |  | | *He's Got the Whole World* | |  |
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|  | Handouts | | Coloring sheets | | | |  |