

3 Gummy Worm Object Lessons (Isaiah 64:8)

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In God's kingdom, everything has teaching value, including the sweet, sometimes sour, gummy worm. This inexpensive candy makes a fantastic teaching aid for many different Bible object lessons.



Gummies have a flexible, wormy body that you can shake and stretch while you talk. When the demonstration is through, you'll have a tasty treat to share. I've got three easy object lessons you can use in your kids' church or Sunday School. You need a bag of each, sweet and sour worms.

Children's Sermon Ideas Using Gummy Worms

Here are some quick ideas for children's messages using gummy worms as your prop. These could be fun anytime you have extra candy on hand - I'm thinking Easter or Halloween. Get creative and adapt these lesson ideas for your children's church.

Sweet vs sour (Job 20:14)

(Yep, you'll need both for this one.) First read Job 20:14, "*Yet his (the godless person) food will turn sour in his stomach.*" Next show kids life with God. Read Psalm 119:103, "*How sweet are your words to my taste, O Lord.*"

Explain that when we don't live by God's laws, but by our own, life can feel sour. You have no hope, no faith and no one to help you. Ask a child or all the kids, to taste-test the worms. Which one is sour? Which one is sweet? Which one do you like best? Which kind of life should we want?

God stretches us (Isaiah 64:8)

Say, "This little worm is made of gelatin and sugar. We can pull him a bit and stretch him out; however, if we pull him too hard, we will break him. The bible says, "*Yet you, LORD, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.*" (Isaiah 64:8)

Sometimes potters have to stretch the clay to make it into a new shape. If they didn't, the clay would remain a lump, not useful for anything. Let's see how far we can stretch this worm. (Stretch the worm using your hands.) Wow, that stretched pretty good but I'm not a

good potter like God. When God stretches us, to make us into something awesome, He won't break us."

Small things matter (Proverbs 30:24-28)

I tell kids, "God's kingdom is different from the kingdoms of the earth. He values everything, even if it is small, like this worm. Let's pretend this candy is a real worm. What does a worm do?" (Let kids contribute here.)

"Great answers! Worms wiggle through the dirt, making room for seeds to grow into plants, flowers, trees and food. Without this little guy, it would be hard to have all the things we love. We may feel like this worm at times, small with not much power. But remember to look at yourself like God looks at you. You are an important part of his kingdom.

Proverbs 30:24-28 English Standard Version (ESV)

- ²⁴ Four things on earth are small,
but they are exceedingly wise:
²⁵ the ants are a people not strong,
yet they provide their food in the summer;
²⁶ the rock badgers are a people not mighty,
yet they make their homes in the cliffs;
²⁷ the locusts have no king,
yet all of them march in rank;
²⁸ the lizard you can take in your hands,
yet it is in kings' palaces.

Have a gummy good time with this cool object lesson.