

Candy Cane Outreach Idea

Idea: Hand out candy canes to students with the following attached, or after sharing the story with a group.

Remembering the true meaning of Christmas through the candy cane...

Each time you see a candy cane during this holiday season, may it remind you of the true meaning of Christmas....a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

The candy cane can be used to symbolize the reasons Jesus came to earth:

- ☞ It's a stick of pure white, hard candy. White to symbolize the Virgin Birth and the sinless nature of Jesus, and hard to symbolize the Solid Rock, the foundation of the Church, and firmness of the promises of God.

- ☞ Shaped in the form of a "J" to represent the precious name of Jesus. Who came to earth as our Savior. It could also represent the staff of the "Good Shepherd" with which He reaches down into the ditches of the world to lift out the fallen lambs who, like all sheep, have gone astray.

- ☞ Stained with red stripes. Three small stripes show the stripes of the scourging Jesus received by which we are healed. The large red stripe for the blood shed by Christ on the cross so that we could have the promise of eternal life. Dying was Jesus' reason for living!

May the Truth, Hope and Joy of Jesus Christ be with you and your family!

Merry Christmas!