

Morning Lesson

THE LEGEND OF THE CANDY CANE

Matt. 13:10-15, 34, 35

- I. **HELD UPSIDE DOWN IT IS SHAPED LIKE THE LETTER "J."**
 - A. This reminds us of Jesus, the name given to Joseph by the angel. **Matt. 1:21**
 - B. The father sent the son to be the savior. **1 John 4:14**
- II. **HELD UPRIGHT IT LOOKS LIKE A SHEPHERD'S STAFF.**
 - A. This reminds us that Jesus is our shepherd.
 - B. The Lord is my shepherd. **Psalms 23**
 - C. He is the good shepherd. **John 10:11**
 - D. He is the great shepherd. **Heb. 13:20**
 - E. He is the chief shepherd. **1 Pet. 5:4**
 - F. The lamb will shepherd us. **Rev. 7:17**
- III. **WHITE REMINDS US OF THE PURITY OF JESUS.**
 - A. He was without sin. **Heb. 4:15**
 - B. He was separate from sinners. **Heb. 7:26**
 - C. He committed no sin. **1 Pet. 2:22**
 - D. He is the righteous servant who justifies. **Isa. 53:11**
 - E. If Jesus had sinned one time, he would have died for his own sins. **Heb. 2:18; Heb. 5:7-9**
 - F. Jesus provided a perfectly obedient life to offer to God and it is his obedience that saves us. **Rom. 5:19**
 - G. We are perfect in Jesus. **Col. 1:28**
- IV. **RED IS FOR THE BLOOD SHED FOR OUR SINS.**
 - A. He washed us from our sins in his blood. **Rev. 1:5**
 - B. We are redeemed by his blood. **1 Pet. 1:17-19**
 - C. His blood cleanses us from all sin. **1 John 1:7**
- V. **STRIPES ARE FOR THE PUNISHMENT FOR OUR SINS.**
Isa. 53:4, 5
- VI. **A CANDY CANE IS SWEET.**
 - A. The word of God is sweet. **Psalms 119:103**
 - B. We sing about it: #676, #761, #882
- VII. **A CANDY CANE HAS TO BE CONSUMED.**
 - A. A candy cane is not for walking but for eating.
 - B. Jesus is the living bread. **John 6:51**
 - C. He explained what he meant. **John 6:57**
 - D. We must be consumed with Jesus. **Phil. 1:21; Gal. 2:20**