

Ner Tamid

Nitzaneem Session # 32

Tuesday, February 4th

Learners:

Bayit, whole group

Staff:

Nitzaneem staff

Materials:

- Modge podge
- Brushes
- Tissue paper
- Bowls to put modge podge in
- Scissors
- Construction paper
- Glass canister (1/child)
- Tea lights (1/child)
- Examples of Ner Tamid (1 set/bayit)
- Ner Tamid worksheet

Room Set-Up:

- Sanctuary: lights on
- Bateem locations: paper on tables

Timeline: (Include Ivrit, Bayit Time, Shira, T'filah as applicable)

4:00-4:15pm	Review + Ner Tamid in Sanctuary
4:20-4:40pm	Examples of Ner Tamid in Bateem
4:40-5:15pm	Ner Tamid creations
5:15-5:25pm	Hafsakah
5:25-6:00pm	Mitkadem

Whole Person Learning Outcomes:

Know: Participants will learn what a Ner Tamid is and see examples

Do: Participants will create their own Ner Tamid as a reminder of the light over the Aron Kodesh

Belong: Participants will recognize that there are many different types of Ner Tamid in synagogues

Session Description:

4:00-4:15pm Review + Ner Tamid

Gather in Sanctuary. Juli will review from Sunday's session: ask kids to recall what they learned about (different types of sacrifices and what they represent). Remind group that we are exploring the book in the Torah called, Vayikra which means "he called."

Ner Tamid:

Look at Ner Tamid on bimah and ask kids to share what it is called and why we have it on top of the Aron Kodesh. In Vayikra we learn about the Ner Tamid. Some people call the Ner Tamid the Eternal Light. Why do you think it is called this? (The Ner Tamid is supposed to be constantly lit and can never go out. Today we are going to have the opportunity to look at other examples of Ner Tamidim that are in synagogues and create our very own!

4:15-4:35pm Examples of Ner Tamid

Return to bateem. Take attendance and collect Tzedakah. Explain to group that they will now look at other examples of Ner Tamid in synagogues. Have the different pictures of Ner Tamid taped on the walls around the room so that the kids can walk around and look at them. As they are walking around the room have them complete the Ner Tamid worksheet. Once everyone has finished looking at each example discuss as a group.

Conclude discussion by telling group that they will now create their own Ner Tamid

4:35-5:15 pm Ner Tamid creations

Distribute glass canisters to children. Have modge podge, tissue paper, brushes, construction paper, marker and scissors out on tables for kids. Explain that using the canisters and materials they will create their Ner Tamid. They should cover the canister with modge podge and tissue paper and use the construction paper to depict their theme. Example: a child could draw hands holding each other. Have the kids look at the different examples for ideas as needed. Once everyone has finished they can place their eternal lights (the tea light) into the canister to take home.

5:15-5:25pm Hafsakah

5:25-6:00pm Mitkadem