

Cooler Things in the Bible



“Talking with God...for Kids”

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*“How can a young person keep his life pure?
By living in keeping with your word.
‘I have hidden your word in my heart
so that I won’t sin against you.’”
Psalm 119:9 and 11*

*Nothing is as important as time in God’s Word...
Except seeing your child spend time with Him as they get into it!*

For Kids: Are you ready for some even cooler things in the Bible? Some more miracles and mysteries! And talking with God every day! I hope you enjoyed my first workbook, *Cool Things in the Bible*. (If you haven’t tried that, ask for it now.) This one continues what you did in the first workbook. Then it shows you how to memorize verses! This way you can take some of what you learn with you anywhere – in your head! Way cool!!!

There’s also some more cool games, and some new ones too.

For Parents: You’ve already seen your kid(s) enjoy spending time with God in the first workbook, *Cool Things in the Bible*. Now you can help them continue this and have more fun with this one! They’ll do Bible study and have Quiet Times like they did before from the passages selected, and they’ll also learn how to memorize some verses, so they can take them with them anywhere! The Scripture inside is from the New International Reader’s Version, the easy-reading edition of the New International Version (NIV). In this workbook they’ll continue to have fun meeting and learning from God. And they may even encourage you to get out your Bible and spend time with God too!

So come on, let’s spend some more time with Jesus. And see some of those cooler things in the Bible!



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“Talking with God... for Kids!”

A Spiritual Journey

***Kids, please ask your parents (or an adult)
to read this page!***

Dear Parents,

I hope your child liked my first workbook, “Cool Things in the Bible”. If they haven’t gone through that, I suggest they try it first. This second workbook builds on the first and helps them continue having times with God. They spend time with God every day in Quiet Time and will also memorize some key Bible verses. This is important because they can take these memorized pieces of what God says with them throughout the day (in their mind and heart) to use when tempted, when afraid, or when discouraged. Please help them learn the verses. They’ll like you doing that. There’s also some Memory Verse Games you can help them try. And why not learn the verses yourself too? They’ll really like that!

Finally, continue to encourage your child to grow spiritually. You are the key to helping them do this. I pray your child will keep growing in their walk with God!

*Sincerely,
Ed Blankenship*

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KIDS START HERE!

As you already know, the Bible is the most important and fun book in the world!

It is important because it talks about God. God made us and sent his Son Jesus to make us his child too! Once we ask Jesus to be a part of our life, we are a child of God forever! Cool!!! The Bible tells us about Jesus. He is God too.

And the Bible is also the most fun book in the world. This is because it is “the Word of God”. When someone talks, “words” come out. You hear them. When God talks, words come out too, and God’s words are written in the Bible. So by reading the Bible you hear God!

Each day you’ll continue to read a Bible story and pray

We call this a Quiet Time. God will talk to you through the Bible and you’ll talk with Him in prayer. Remember, you can pray (talk with God) about anything you want to!



How quiet is your “Quiet Time”?

You will want to turn off the TV and video games when you have yours. This helps you focus on God for a few minutes. Just like you talk with your family and friends every day, I hope you have found that it’s cool to talk with God every day too!!!



Again, pick a time every day when you can do this. It may be in the morning before school. Or you may want to do it after school. Ask your parents or an adult what they think is best for you. Then stick with it. Decide, then write it below:

My best time to do this is _____. Put your workbook in a place where you can find it and see it daily. I will put it _____. Finally, keep having fun with God! He wants to have fun with you!!!

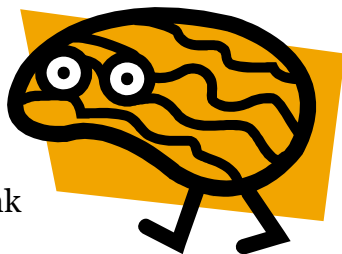
New!!! Put God’s Word in You!

When Jesus was in a tough situation he said some Bible verses from memory. Jesus knew that what the Bible said was true. And that it would help him. Psalm 119:9 and 11 says, “How can a young person keep his life pure? By living in keeping with your word. ‘I have



hidden your word in my heart so that I won't sin against you.” So hiding God’s Word in your heart keeps you from doing wrong, which is called ‘sin’.

One way to hide God’s Word in your heart is to memorize some of it. There are certain verses that are so cool you will want to do so! They will help you when you are scared. They will help you when you are hurt. They will help you when you don’t have a Bible with you. Memorized verses are in your mind everywhere you go! You can think about them daily. We call that reviewing and meditating on verses. Reviewing means to go over them in your head or say them out loud. Meditating means to think on what they say to you.



How to Memorize?



Here’s how you can memorize a verse. Learn it one piece at a time. Like eating something one bite at a time! **Let’s start with Colossians 3:20.** You can ask an adult to cut out this verse in the back of the workbook and help you paste it on a card. Or you may want to keep it in the book.

1. Look at it, and say the topic and reference out loud. The topic helps you remember it. The reference is the name of the Bible book and the numbers. Think of it like the “address” of the verse. Where it lives in the Bible! Say the topic, reference and then the first part of the verse. Then say the reference again. Say just that much now:

**“Obey My Parents, Colossians 3:20,
Children, obey...Colossians 3:20”**

2. Then add the next part and say it like this:

**“Obey My Parents, Colossians 3:20,
Children, obey your parents... Colossians 3:20”**

Say just this much again until you can say it without looking.

3. Then add the next part and say it like this:

**“Obey My Parents, Colossians 3:20,
Children, obey your parents in everything...
Colossians 3:20”**

Say that much again until you can say it without looking.

4. Finally, add the last part and say it like this:

**“Obey My Parents, Colossians 3:20,
Children, obey your parents in everything.
That pleases the Lord. Colossians 3:20”**

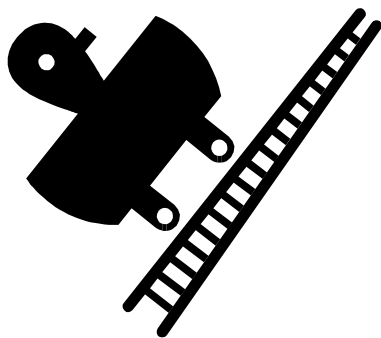
Say it again until you can say all of it without looking.

5. **Congratulations**, you did it! That’s how you memorize a verse. Now put this verse card where you will see it. And practice saying it every day when you do.



When you know it well, say it to your parents or someone else. Cool! Then think about the verse daily when it comes to your mind. Ask yourself, “What is this verse saying to me right now?” And, “In what ways do I need to obey better?” Also, Am I pleasing God today?” God will continue to speak with you throughout the day from this verse. Way Cool!!!

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START OF THE COOL THINGS!

PLAN FOR WEEK ONE

1. Memorize Colossians 3:20 and John 10:14 during this week:

Obey My Parents
Colossians 3:20
Children, obey your
parents in everything.
That pleases the Lord.
Colossians 3:20



Jesus is My Shepherd
John 10:14
I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep,
and my sheep know me.
John 10:14

See pages 5 and 6 on how to memorize a verse.

2. Say the verses you know daily!

3. Have a Quiet Time each day!!

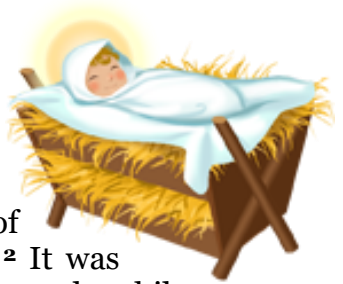
Daily, pray to God. Then read the Bible story for that day. Underline what you like. Then pick one and write it down. Then talk with God about it. Finally pray about other things.

4. Sometime, play the Game!!!

1st Week - Sunday

Read this Bible story:

Jesus Is Born (Luke 2:1-11)



¹ In those days, Caesar Augustus made a law. It required that a list be made of everyone in the whole Roman world. ² It was the first time a list was made of the people while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³ All went to their own towns to be listed.

⁴ So Joseph went also. He went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea. That is where Bethlehem, the town of David, was. Joseph went there because he belonged to the family line of David. ⁵ He went there with Mary to be listed. Mary was engaged to him. She was expecting a baby.

⁶ While Joseph and Mary were there, the time came for the child to be born. ⁷ She gave birth to her first baby. It was a boy. She wrapped him in large strips of cloth. Then she placed him in a manger. There was no room for them in the inn.

⁸ There were shepherds living out in the fields nearby. It was night, and they were looking after their sheep. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them. And the glory of the Lord shone around them. They were terrified.

¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy. It is for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you. He is Christ the Lord. ¹² Here is how you will know I am telling you the truth. You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger."

Answer these questions. Look back if you want.

1. Mary and Joseph had to travel a long way to have baby Jesus. Do you like to travel? _____
2. Do you know what a manger is? It's a wooden box that holds food for animals! Jesus was put there. Why didn't they go to a hotel or inn? _____
3. God announced the birth of his Son Jesus to some people. Who were they? _____
4. Who told the shepherds? _____

Now we get to tell others about Jesus. Way Cool!!!

5. Below, draw a picture of the angels and the shepherds.

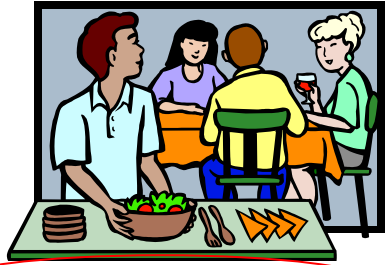


Monday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it. See how I marked things I liked in it. I underlined, highlighted, colored, and circled some cool things!

Jesus Chooses Levi (Mark 2)

¹⁴ As Jesus walked along he saw Levi. Levi was sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," Jesus told him. Levi got up and followed him. ¹⁵ Later Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house. Many tax collectors and "sinners" were eating with him and his disciples. They were part of the large crowd following Jesus.



¹⁶ Some teachers saw Jesus eating with "sinners" and tax collectors. So they asked his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"

¹⁷ Jesus heard that. So he said to them, "Those who are healthy don't need a doctor. Sick people do. I have not come to get those who think they are right with God to follow me. I have come to get sinners to follow me."

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it?

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, family, teachers, friends, school, or church.)

Tuesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark it yourself. You can underline, highlight, color, or circle. Whatever cool thing you like!

Jesus Chooses 12 Men (Apostles) (Mark 3)

¹³ Jesus went up on a mountainside. He called for certain people to come to him, and they came. ¹⁴ He appointed 12 of them and called them apostles. From that time on they would be with him. He would also send them out to preach. ¹⁵ They would have authority to drive out demons.



¹⁶ So Jesus appointed the Twelve. Simon was one of them. Jesus gave him the name Peter. ¹⁷ There were James, son of Zebedee, and his brother John. Jesus gave them the name Boanerges. Boanerges means Sons of Thunder. ¹⁸ There were also Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, and James, son of Alphaeus. And there were Thaddaeus and Simon the Zealot. ¹⁹ Judas Iscariot was one of them too. He was the one who was later going to hand Jesus over to his enemies.

3. What did you think was cool in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, family, teachers, friends, school, or church.)

Wednesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Jesus Teaches People (Luke 6)

²⁰ Jesus looked at his disciples. He said to them,

"Blessed are you who are needy.

God's kingdom belongs to you.

²¹ Blessed are you who are hungry now.

You will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who are sad now.

You will laugh.

²² Blessed are you when people hate you,
when they have nothing to do with you
and say bad things about you,

and when they treat your name as something evil.

They do all this because you are followers of me.

²³ When these things happen to you, be glad and jump for joy. You will receive many blessings in heaven.



3. What did you think was cool in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, teachers, friends, brothers, or sisters, school, or church. You can talk to God about anything.)

Thursday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.



Jesus Brings a Dead Son Back to Life (Luke 7)

¹¹ Some time later, Jesus went to a town called Nain. ¹² He approached the town gate. Just then, a dead person was being carried out. He was the only son of his mother. She was a widow. A large crowd from the town was with her.

¹³ When the Lord saw her, he felt sorry for her. So he said, "Don't cry." ¹⁴ Then he went up and touched the coffin. Those carrying it stood still.

Jesus said, "Young man, I say to you, get up!"

¹⁵ The dead man sat up and began to talk. Then Jesus gave him back to his mother. ¹⁶ The people were all filled with wonder and praised God. "A great prophet has appeared among us," they said. "God has come to help his people."

3. What was the best cool thing in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, teachers, friends, brothers, or sisters, school, or church. You can talk to God about anything.)

Friday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Peter Tries to Walk on Water (Matthew 14)



²⁵ Early in the morning, Jesus went out to the disciples. He walked on the lake. ²⁶ They saw him walking on the lake and were terrified. "It's a ghost!" they said. And they cried out in fear.

²⁷ Right away Jesus called out to them, "Be brave! It is I. Don't be afraid."

²⁸ "Lord, is it you?" Peter asked. "If it is, tell me to come to you on the water."

²⁹ "Come," Jesus said.

So Peter got out of the boat. He walked on the water toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when Peter saw the wind, he was afraid. He began to sink. He cried out, "Lord! Save me!"

³¹ Right away Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "Your faith is so small!" he said. "Why did you doubt me?"

3. What did you think was cool in this story?

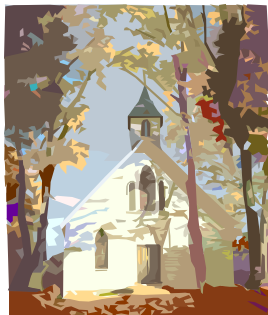
4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, teachers, friends, brothers, or sisters, school, or church. You can talk to God about anything.)

Saturday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.



Peter Knows Who Jesus Is (Matthew 16)

¹³ Jesus went to the area of Caesarea Philippi. There he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

¹⁴ They replied, "Some say John the Baptist. Others say Elijah. Still others say Jeremiah, or one of the prophets."

¹⁵ "But what about you?" he asked.

"Who do you say I am?"

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ. You are the Son of the living God."

¹⁷ Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon, son of Jonah! No mere man showed this to you. My Father in heaven showed it to you. ¹⁸ Here is what I tell you. You are Peter. On this rock I will build my church. The gates of hell will not be strong enough to destroy it."

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, teachers, friends, brothers, or sisters, school, or church. You can talk to God about anything.)

“WHO’S CLOSEST?” GAME

Object of the Game: To Have Fun!!! To guess “Closest” to what someone is thinking of.



How to Play: Get 2 or more of your friends or parents.

1. The oldest person gets to start and is “IT”. He (or she) thinks of something. It can be something in the room. It can be something you like. It can be anything!
2. The person being “IT” gives people a clue. Here’s an example. If he’s thinking of the floor, he can say, “I’m thinking of something in the room.” Here’s another example. If she’s thinking of going to a movie, she can say, “I’m thinking of something to do.”
3. The others get to guess what “IT” is thinking of. They should say it out loud, one at a time. You may want to write them down. But you don’t have to.
4. The person being “IT” gets to decide who’s closest. Sometimes this is easy. Other times it is hard. But it’s always fun. “IT” has to pick someone as being closest.
5. Others can say things to help “IT” choose who’s closest. But don’t get mad if what you guess isn’t picked.

6. The person who was closest wins that round and is the new “IT”. He (or she) then tells what they are thinking of. Then others guess like before.

7. The game continues until you want to quit.

Fun Part of the Game: Trying to decide who is the closest. Trying to help “IT” choose who’s closest.

Bonus Round – Every few rounds play a Bonus Round. In this round, there are no clues. “IT” just says, “I’m thinking of something.” This makes it harder to guess. It also makes it harder to choose who’s closest. But the person being “IT” still has to choose. It’s also more fun!

Some Weird Rounds – My grand-son really likes these! In this round, he says, “I’m thinking of something I don’t know.” Or, “I’m thinking of something I’m not thinking of.” Or, “I’m feeling like doing something.” CRAZY!!!

IDEAS – If you can’t think of things, here’s some ideas. **Trees. Animals. People. Colors. Things in the Bible. People in the Bible. Bible Books. Sounds. Places.**

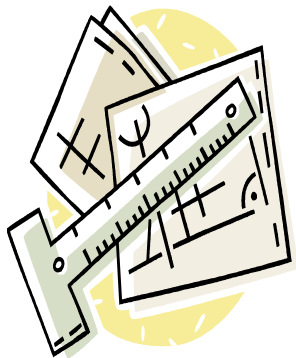
Have fun!

Sometimes it gets hilarious!!!



PLAN FOR WEEK TWO

1. Memorize John 14:6 and Leviticus 19:11 during this week:



**Jesus is the Way to God the Father
John 14:6**

**Jesus answered, "I am the way
and the truth and the life. No one
comes to the Father except
through me."
John 14:6**

Things I Should Not Do

Leviticus 19:11

Do not steal. Do not tell lies.

Do not cheat one another.

Leviticus 19:11

See pages 5 and 6 on how to memorize a verse.

2. Say all the verses you know every day. Think about them too!

3. Have a Quiet Time each day!!

Daily, pray to God. Then read the Bible story for that day. Underline what you like. Then pick one and write it down. Then talk with God about it. Finally pray about other things.

4. Sometime, play the Game!!!

2nd Week -Sunday

Read this Bible story:

The Boy Jesus at the Temple (Luke 2:41-52)



⁴¹ Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Passover Feast.

⁴² When he was 12 years old, they went up to the Feast as usual.

⁴³ After the Feast was over, his parents left to go back home. The boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. But they were not aware of it. ⁴⁴ They thought he was somewhere in their group. So they traveled on for a day.

Then they began to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ They did not find him. So they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple courtyard. He was sitting with the teachers. He was listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ Everyone who heard him was amazed at how much he understood. They also were amazed at his answers.

⁴⁸ When his parents saw him, they were amazed. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been worried about you. We have been looking for you everywhere."

⁴⁹ "Why were you looking for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he meant by that.

⁵¹ Then he went back to Nazareth with them, and he obeyed them. But his mother kept all these things like a secret treasure in her heart. ⁵² Jesus became wiser and stronger. He also became more and more pleasing to God and to people.

Answer these questions. Look back if you want.

1. How old was Jesus in this story? _____
2. His parents lost Jesus! What do you do when you lose something? _____
3. They found Jesus in the temple. A temple is a Jewish church. Jesus was talking with the teachers there. What did everyone think of what Jesus knew? _____
4. What does it say that Jesus then did? _____

5. Below, draw a picture of Jesus and his parents.



Monday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.



Are you thirsty for God? (John 7)

³⁷ It was the last and most important day of the Feast. Jesus stood up and spoke in a loud voice. He said, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. ³⁸ Does anyone believe in me? Then, just as Scripture says, streams of living water will flow from inside him."

³⁹ When he said this, he meant the Holy Spirit. Those who believed in Jesus would receive the Spirit later. Up to that time, the Spirit had not

been given. This was because Jesus had not yet received glory. ⁴⁰ When some of the people heard his words, they said, "This man must be the Prophet we've been expecting." ⁴¹ Others said, "He is the Christ."

3. What was the best cool thing in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your family, teachers, friends, school, or church. Anything.)

Tuesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Jesus Heals a Man on the Sabbath (Luke 14)



¹ One Sabbath day, Jesus went to eat in the house of a well-known Pharisee. While he was there, he was being carefully watched. ² In front of him was a man whose body was badly swollen.

³ Jesus turned to the Pharisees and the authorities on the law. He asked them, "Is it breaking the Law to heal on the Sabbath?"

⁴ But they remained silent.

So Jesus took hold of the man and healed him. Then he sent him away.

⁵ He asked them another question. He said, "Suppose one of you has a son or an ox that falls into a well on the Sabbath day. Wouldn't you pull him out right away?" ⁶ And they had nothing to say.

3. What did you think was cool in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, teachers, friends, brothers, or sisters, school, or church. You can talk to God about anything.)

Wednesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Short Zacchaeus (Luke 19)

¹ Jesus entered Jericho. ² A man named Zacchaeus lived there. He was a chief tax collector and was very rich. ³ Zacchaeus wanted to see who Jesus was. But he was a short man. He could not see Jesus because of the crowd. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore fig tree. He wanted to see Jesus, who was coming that way.



⁵ Jesus reached the spot where Zacchaeus was. He looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down at once. I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So Zacchaeus came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

⁷ All the people saw this. They began to whisper among themselves. They said, "Jesus has gone to be the guest of a 'sinner.' "

⁸ But Zacchaeus stood up. He said, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of what I own to those who are poor. And if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay it back. I will pay back four times the amount I took."

⁹ Jesus said to Zacchaeus, "Today salvation has come to your house. You are a member of Abraham's family line. ¹⁰ The Son of Man came to look for the lost and save them."

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. It can be anything.

Thursday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

The Young Donkey (Luke 19)

²⁹ Jesus sent out two of his disciples. He said to them, ³⁰ "Go to the village ahead of you. As soon as you get there, you will find a donkey's colt tied up. No one has ever ridden it. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ Someone may ask you, 'Why are you untying it?' If so, say, 'The Lord needs it.' " ³² Those who were sent ahead went and found the young donkey. It was there just as Jesus had told them. ³³ They were untying the colt



when its owners came. The owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴ They replied, "The Lord needs it."

³⁵ Then the disciples brought the colt to Jesus. They threw their coats on the young donkey and put Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he went along, people spread their coats on the road.

³⁷ Jesus came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives. There the whole crowd of disciples began to praise God with joy. In loud voices they praised him for all the miracles they had seen. They shouted, ³⁸ "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" —(*Psalms 118:26*) "May there be peace and glory in the highest heaven!"

3. What did you think was cool in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. Anything.

Friday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

The Story of the Two Sons (Matthew 21)

²⁸ "What do you think about this? A man had two sons. He went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work today in the vineyard.'

²⁹ "'I will not,' the son answered. But later he changed his mind and went.

³⁰ "Then the father went to the other son. He said the same thing. The son answered, 'I will, sir.' But he did not go.



³¹ "Which of the two sons did what his father wanted?"
"The first," they answered.

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said.

6. Pray (tell God) about other things. (This might be about your parents, teachers, friends, brothers, or sisters, school, or church. You can talk to God about anything.)

Saturday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

The Last Supper (Luke 22)

⁷ Then the day of Unleavened Bread came. That was the time the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸ Jesus sent Peter and John on ahead. "Go," he told them. "Prepare for us to eat the Passover meal."



⁹ "Where do you want us to prepare for it?" they asked. ¹⁰ Jesus replied, "When you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house he enters. ¹¹ Then say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, "Where is the guest room? Where can I eat the Passover meal with my disciples?"' " ¹² He will show you a large upstairs room with furniture in it. Prepare for us to eat there."

¹³ Peter and John left. They found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover meal.

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray about other things. Anything is Ok to talk with God about.

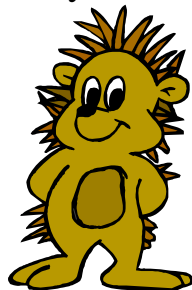
Bible Word Search (New)

Object of the Game

The object of this game is to find as many words as you can in the block of letters. One is given for you.

How to Play

The words below are hidden. They are in the block of letters you see on the next page.



Some are read Left to Right. J O B

Others you must read backwards, Right to Left.
B O J

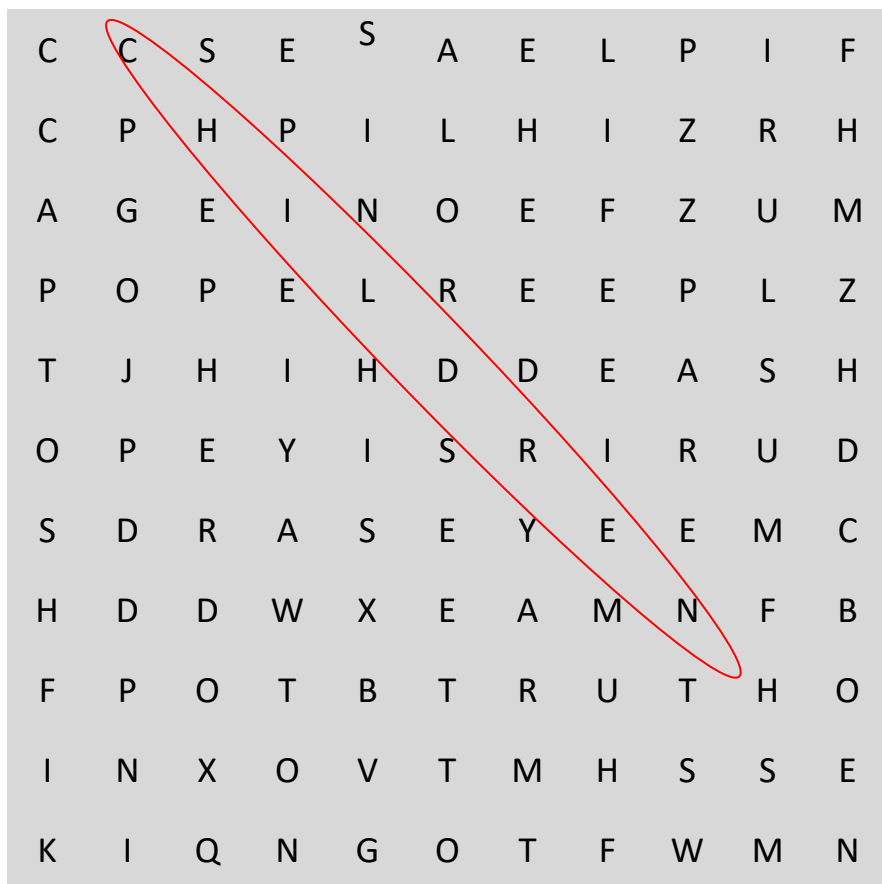
Still others are Top to Bottom. J
O
B

And then one is even Bottom to Top! B
O
J

See how many words you can find. Once you find a word circle it in the block of letters. Also, cross it out in the list below! One is already done. Have fun!!!

Find These Words in the Block of Letters

OBEY	PLEASES	PARENTS
GOOD	CHILDREN	LORD
SHEPHERD	TRUTH	KNOW
WAY	SHEEP	LIFE



SCORE:

0-3 Words filled out

4-6 Words filled out

7-10 Words filled out

BEGINNER

DISCIPLE

TEACHER



PLAN FOR WEEK THREE

1. Memorize Luke 1:37 and Philippians 4:13 during this week:

God Can Do Anything
Luke 1:37
Nothing is impossible
with God.
Luke 1:37

God Gives Me Strength
Philippians 4:13
I can do everything by
the power of Christ. He gives me strength.
Philippians 4:13



See pages 5 and 6 on how to memorize a verse.

2. Say all the verses you know every day. Think about them too!

3. Have a Quiet Time each day!!

Daily, pray to God. Then read the Bible story for that day. Underline what you like. Then pick one and write it down. Then talk with God about it. Finally pray about other things.

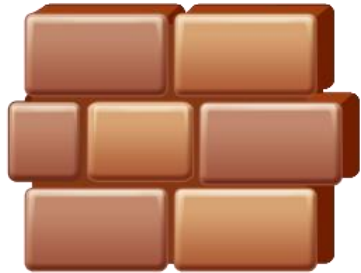
4. Sometime, play the Game!!!

3rd Week -Sunday

Read this Bible story:

The Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-9)

¹ The whole world had only one language. All people spoke it.
² They moved to the east and found a broad valley in Babylonia. There they settled down.



³ They said to each other, "Come. Let's make bricks and bake them well." They used bricks instead of stones. They used tar to hold the bricks together.

⁴ Then they said, "Come. Let's build a city for ourselves. Let's build a tower that reaches to the sky. We'll make a name for ourselves. Then we won't be scattered over the face of the whole earth."

⁵ But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower the people were building. ⁶ The Lord said, "They are one people. And all of them speak the same language. That is why they can do this. Now they will be able to do anything they plan to. ⁷ Come. Let us go down and mix up their language. Then they will not understand each other."

⁸ So the Lord scattered them from there over the whole earth. And they stopped building the city. ⁹ The Lord mixed up the language of the whole world there. That's why the city was named Babel. From there the Lord scattered them over the face of the whole earth.

Answer the questions on the next page. Look back if you want.

1. The people wanted to make a tower to show how great they were. What did they use to build it? _____

2. God did not like that everyone spoke the same language. What did he do? _____

3. Where does it then say God moved the people? _____

4. Draw a picture below of the tower they might have built.



Monday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Jesus Is Taken Up Into Heaven (Acts 1)



² Before Jesus left, he gave orders to the apostles he had chosen. He did this through the Holy Spirit. ³ After his suffering and death, he appeared to them. In many ways he proved that he was alive. He

appeared to them over a period of 40 days. During that time he spoke about God's kingdom.

⁴ One day Jesus was eating with them. He gave them a command. "Do not leave Jerusalem," he said. "Wait for the gift my Father promised. You have heard me talk about it. ⁵ John baptized with water. But in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

⁹ After Jesus said this, he was taken up to heaven. They watched until a cloud hid him from their sight.

¹⁰ While he was going up, they kept on looking at the sky. Suddenly two men dressed in white clothing stood beside them. ¹¹ "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking at the sky? Jesus has been taken away from you into heaven. But he will come back in the same way you saw him go."

3. What was the best cool thing in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray about other things.

Tuesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

The Holy Spirit Comes (Acts 2)

¹ The day of Pentecost came. The believers all gathered in one place. ² Suddenly a sound came from heaven. It was like a strong wind blowing. It filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw something that looked like tongues of fire. The flames separated and settled on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to speak in languages they had not known before. The Spirit gave them the ability to do this.



⁵ Godly Jews from every country in the world were staying in Jerusalem. ⁶ A crowd came together when they heard the sound. They were bewildered because they each heard the believers speaking in their own language. ⁷ The crowd was really amazed. They asked, "Aren't all these people from Galilee?" ⁸ Why, then, do we each hear them speaking in our own native language? ¹¹ Some of the visitors are Jews. Others have accepted the Jewish faith. Also, Cretans and Arabs are here. We hear all these people speaking about God's wonders in our own languages!" ¹² They were amazed and bewildered. They asked one another, "What does this mean?"

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Talk to God about the story. Then pray for other things.

Wednesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Peter Heals the Beggar (Acts 3)

¹ One day Peter and John were going up to the temple. It was three o'clock in the afternoon. It was the time for prayer. ² A man unable to walk was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful. He had been that way since he was born. Every day someone put him near the gate. There he would beg from people going into the temple courtyards. ³ He saw that Peter and John were about to enter. So he asked them for money. ⁴ Peter looked straight at him, and so did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" ⁵ So the man watched them closely. He expected to get something from them.

⁶ Peter said, "I don't have any silver or gold. But I'll give you what I have. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, get up and walk." ⁷ Then Peter took him by the right hand and helped him up. At once the man's feet and ankles became strong. ⁸ He jumped to his feet and began to walk. He went with Peter and John into the temple courtyards. He walked and jumped and praised God. ⁹ All the people saw him walking and praising God. ¹⁰ They recognized him as the same man who used to sit and beg at the temple gate called Beautiful. They were filled with wonder. They were amazed at what had happened to him.



3. What cool thing was best in this story?

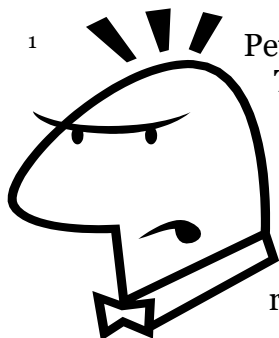
4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray about other things. Anything is OK to pray about.

Thursday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Peter and John Are Taken to the Sanhedrin (Acts 4)



- ¹ Peter and John were speaking to the people. The priests, the captain of the temple guard, and the Sadducees came up to the apostles. ² They were very upset by what the apostles were teaching the people. The apostles were saying that because Jesus rose from the dead, people can be raised from the dead.

³ So the temple authorities arrested Peter and John. It was already evening, so they put them in prison until the next day.

⁴ But many who heard the message believed. The number of men who believed grew to about 5,000.

3. What did you think was cool in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray (tell God) about other things. (Remember, you can talk to God about anything in prayer.)

Friday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Jesus the Most Important Stone (Acts 4)



⁵ The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. ⁶ Annas, the high priest, was there. So were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others in the high priest's family. ⁷ They had Peter and John brought to them. They wanted to question them. "By what power did you do this?" they asked. "And through whose name?" ⁸ Peter was filled with the Holy Spirit. He said to them, "Rulers and elders of the people! ⁹ Are you asking us to explain our actions today? Do you want to know why we were kind to a disabled man? Are you asking how he was healed? ¹⁰ Then listen to this, you and all the people of Israel! You nailed Jesus Christ of Nazareth to the cross. But God raised him from the dead. It is through Jesus' name that this man stands healed in front of you. ¹¹ Scripture says that Jesus is " 'the stone you builders did not accept. But it has become the most important stone of all.' —(*Psalm 118:22*) ¹² You can't be saved by believing in anyone else. God has given us no other name under heaven that will save us."

3. What was the best cool thing in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray about other things. You can pray about anything.



Saturday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

We Have to Speak About Jesus (Acts 4)

¹³ The leaders saw how bold Peter and John were. They also realized that Peter and John were ordinary men with no training. This surprised the leaders. They realized that these men had been with Jesus. ¹⁴ The leaders could see the man who had been healed standing there with them. So there was nothing they could say. ¹⁵ They ordered Peter and John to leave the Sanhedrin. Then they talked things over. ¹⁶ "What can we do with these men?" they asked. "Everybody in Jerusalem knows they have done an outstanding miracle. We can't say it didn't happen. ¹⁷ We have to stop this thing. It must not spread any further among the people. We have to warn these men. They must never speak to anyone in Jesus' name again."

¹⁸ Once again the leaders called in Peter and John. They commanded them not to speak or teach at all in Jesus' name. ¹⁹ But Peter and John replied, "Judge for yourselves. Which is right from God's point of view? Should we obey you? Or God? ²⁰ There's nothing else we can do. We have to speak about the things we've seen and heard."

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it?

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray about other things. Remember, you can pray about anything (school, family, friends, health, money, relatives, or work.)

Sword Drill! Game

Read “More About the Bible” before playing.

Kids used to play this game when I was a boy. You do this in a group with others. In this game one person says a Bible verse reference. The others look it up in their Bible. The one who finds it first reads it out loud. That person wins the round. The Bible is called the “Sword of the Spirit”. That is where the name “Sword Drill!” comes from.



How to Play

1. You will each need a Bible or a New Testament. These should be made with sturdy paper and easy to turn. Not thin paper. (These can tear.) Ask an adult to help you find a good one for this. Also, be careful of paper cuts. Ouch!!!
2. Find the Table of Contents first. You will need this. Some also have an Alphabetical list. This can be even better.
3. Someone reads a verse reference to look up. It might be “John 3:16”. He or she will say it as “John Three Sixteen”.
4. Everyone else looks up the book of John by looking in the Table of Context. (Or the Alphabetical list.) Then turn to that page number.
5. Then find the chapter Three (3). These are Big Numbers. Finally in chapter 3 find verse 16 (Small numbers).
6. Whoever finds it first read it out loud. That person gets a point. The person with the most point wins!

Simplified Version of the Game

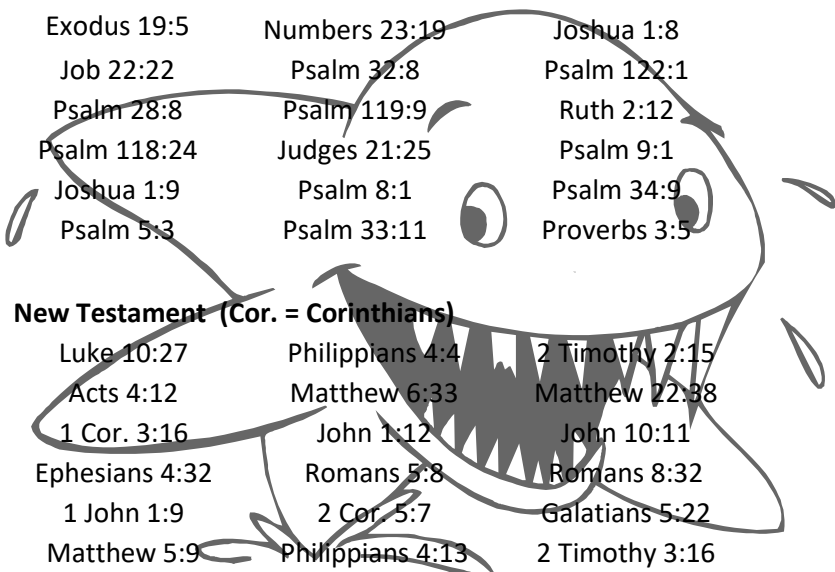
Look up the first verse of Bible books. The person would say “John 1:1”. “John One One”. This makes it faster too!

Different Translations

Some Bibles read differently from others. That’s OK.

See next page for Verses to Look Up

Old Testament (Chron. = Chronicles, Deut. = Deuteronomy)



1 Samuel 16:7	1 Chron. 16:11	Ezra 7:10
Psalms 16:8	Psalms 19:14	Psalms 27:1
Psalms 34:17	Psalms 37:4	Psalms 73:23
Proverbs 4:1	Isaiah 40:13	Jeremiah 29:13
Genesis 1:1	Leviticus 19:11	Deut. 30:14
2 Samuel 22:26	2 Chron. 15:12	Job 5:8
Psalms 16:11	Psalms 23:1	Psalms 27:4
Psalms 35:18	Psalms 50:10	Psalms 84:11
Isaiah 26:3	Isaiah 41:10	Lamentations 3:22
Exodus 19:5	Numbers 23:19	Joshua 1:8
Job 22:22	Psalms 32:8	Psalms 122:1
Psalms 28:8	Psalms 119:9	Ruth 2:12
Psalms 118:24	Judges 21:25	Psalms 9:1
Joshua 1:9	Psalms 8:1	Psalms 34:9
Psalms 5:3	Psalms 33:11	Proverbs 3:5

New Testament (Cor. = Corinthians)

Luke 10:27	Philippians 4:4	2 Timothy 2:15
Acts 4:12	Matthew 6:33	Matthew 22:38
1 Cor. 3:16	John 1:12	John 10:11
Ephesians 4:32	Romans 5:8	Romans 8:32
1 John 1:9	2 Cor. 5:7	Galatians 5:22
Matthew 5:9	Philippians 4:13	2 Timothy 3:16
Luke 18:1	Matthew 19:26	Mark 1:35
Acts 27:25	John 3:16	John 14:6
1 Cor. 12:26	Romans 6:23	Romans 10:13
Ephesians 6:10	2 Cor. 5:17	Galatians 6:2
Revelation 3:20	2 Timothy 2:1	Hebrews 11:1
Matthew 5:16	Matthew 21:22	Mark 16:15
Luke 19:10	John 5:24	John 15:7
Romans 3:23	Romans 8:28	Romans 12:2
1 Cor. 13:4	Galatians 3:26	Ephesians 2:8
John 16:24	Ephesians 4:15	James 1:5
Romans 14:12	1 Peter 5:7	Luke 6:31

PLAN FOR WEEK FOUR

1. Memorize Psalm 121:7 and Psalm 139:14 during this week:

God Keeps Me Safe

Psalm 121:7

The Lord will keep you from every kind of harm. He will watch over your life.

Psalm 121:7

I Am Wonderful!

Psalm 139:14

How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know that very well.

Psalm 139:14



See pages 5 and 6 on how to memorize a verse.

2. Say all the verses you know every day. Think about them too!

3. Have a Quiet Time each day!!

Daily, pray to God. Then read the Bible story for that day. Underline what you like. Then pick one and write it down. Then talk with God about it. Finally pray about other things.

4. Sometime, play the Game!!!

4th Week – Sunday

Read this Bible story: Philip and “Teleportation” (from Acts 8)

²⁶ An angel of the Lord spoke to Philip. "Go south to the desert road," he said. ²⁷ So Philip started out. On his way he met an



Ethiopian official. He had gone to Jerusalem to worship. ²⁸ On his way home he was sitting in his chariot. He was reading the book of Isaiah the prophet. ²⁹ The Holy Spirit told Philip, "Go to that chariot. Stay near it." ³⁰ So Philip ran up to the chariot. He heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. "Do you understand what you're reading?" Philip asked. ³¹ "How can I?" he said. "I need someone to explain it to me." So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

³² Here is the part of Scripture the official was reading:

"He was led like a sheep to be killed.

Just as lambs are silent while their wool is being cut off, he did not open his mouth.

³³ When he was treated badly, he was refused a fair trial.

Who can say anything about his children?

His life was cut off from the earth." —(*Isaiah 53:7,8*)

³⁴ The official said to Philip, "Tell me, please. Who is the prophet talking about? Himself, or someone else?" ³⁵ **Then Philip began with that same part of Scripture. He told him the good news about Jesus.** ³⁶⁻³⁷ As they traveled along the road, they came to some water. The official said, "Look! Here is water! Why shouldn't I be baptized?" ³⁸ He gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the official went down into the water. Philip baptized him. ³⁹ When they came up out of the water, **the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away. The official did not see him again.** He went on his way full of joy. ⁴⁰ **Philip was seen next at Azotus.**

Answer these questions. Look back if you want.

1. A man was reading the Bible. What was he riding in?

2. The man did not understand who he was reading about. Who did Philip say it was about? _____

3. The man believed in Jesus. Then he got baptized. Have you been baptized? _____

Would you like to? _____

4. Then what happened to Philip? _____

This is like Star Trek teleportation! Cool !!!

5. Below, draw a picture of Philip and the man.



Monday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

The Believers Pray (Acts 4)

²³ Peter and John were allowed to leave. They went back to their own people. They reported everything the chief priests and the elders had said to them. ²⁴ When the believers heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Lord and King," they said, "you made the heavens, the earth and the sea. You made everything in them. ²⁵ Long ago you spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of our father David, who served you. You said,



" 'Why are the nations angry? Why do the people make useless plans? ²⁶ The kings of the earth take their stand against the Lord. The rulers of the earth gather together against his Anointed King.' —(*Psalm 2:1,2*)

²⁸ They did what your power and purpose had already decided should happen. ²⁹ Now, Lord, consider the bad things they say they are going to do. Help us to be very bold when we speak your word. ³⁰ Stretch out your hand to heal. Do miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

³¹ After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit. They were bold when they spoke God's word.

3. What did you think was cool in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Pray.

Tuesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.



An Angel Opens the Prison (Acts 5)

¹⁷ The high priest and all his companions were Sadducees. They were very jealous of the apostles. ¹⁸ So they arrested them and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹ But during the night an angel of the Lord came. He opened the prison doors and brought the apostles out. ²⁰ "Go! Stand in the temple courtyard," the angel said. "Tell

the people all about this new life." ²¹ Early the next day they did as they had been told. They entered the temple courtyard. There they began to teach the people. The high priest and his companions arrived. They called the Sanhedrin together. The Sanhedrin was a gathering of all the elders of Israel. They sent for the apostles who were in prison. ²² The officers arrived at the prison. But they didn't find the apostles there. So they went back and reported it. ²³ "We found the prison locked up tight," they said. "The guards were standing at the doors. But when we opened the doors, we didn't find anyone inside." ²⁴ When the captain of the temple guard and the chief priests heard this report, they were bewildered. They wondered what would happen next.

3. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray for other things. (Anything is OK.)

Wednesday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Being Whipped (Acts 5)

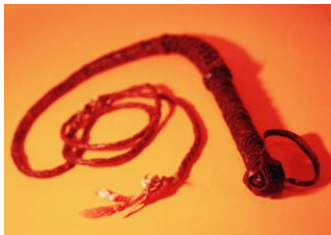
²⁷ The high priest questioned them.

²⁸ "We gave you clear orders not to teach in Jesus' name," he said. "But you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching. You want to make us guilty of this man's death."

²⁹ Peter and the other apostles replied, "We must obey God instead of people! ³⁰ You had Jesus killed by nailing him to a cross. But the God of our people raised Jesus from the dead.

³¹ Now Jesus is Prince and Savior. God has proved this by giving him a place of honor at his own right hand. He did it so that he could turn Israel away from their sins and forgive them. ³² We are witnesses of these things. And so is the Holy Spirit. God has given the Spirit to those who obey him."

³³ When the leaders heard this, they became very angry. ⁴⁰ They called the apostles in and had them whipped. The leaders ordered them not to speak in Jesus' name. Then they let them go. ⁴¹ The apostles were full of joy as they left the Sanhedrin. They considered it an honor to suffer shame for the name of Jesus. ⁴² Day after day, they kept teaching in the temple courtyards and from house to house. They never stopped telling the good news that Jesus is the Christ.



3. What was the best cool thing in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

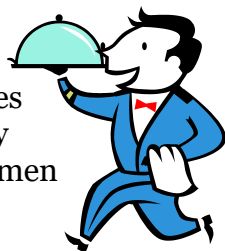
5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Then pray about other things. Anything is OK to pray about.

Thursday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below.
2. Then read it and mark (underline, highlight, color, or circle) what you like.

Seven Helpers Are Chosen (Acts 6)

¹ In those days the number of believers was growing. The Jews who followed Greek practices complained against the Jews who followed only Jewish practices. They said that the widows of men who followed Greek practices were not being taken care of. They weren't getting their fair share of food each day. ² So the Twelve gathered all the believers together. They said, "It wouldn't be right for us to give up teaching God's word in order to wait on tables. ³ Brothers, choose seven of your men. They must be known as men who are wise and full of the Holy Spirit. We will turn this important work over to them. ⁴ Then we can give our attention to prayer and to teaching the word."



⁵ This plan pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen. He was full of faith and of the Holy Spirit. Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon and Parmenas were chosen too. The group also chose Nicolas from Antioch. He had accepted the Jewish faith. ⁶ The group brought them to the apostles. Then the apostles prayed and placed their hands on them.

⁷ So God's word spread. The number of believers in Jerusalem grew quickly. Also, a large number of priests began to obey Jesus' teachings.

3. What did you think was cool in this story?

4. How did it make you feel? _____

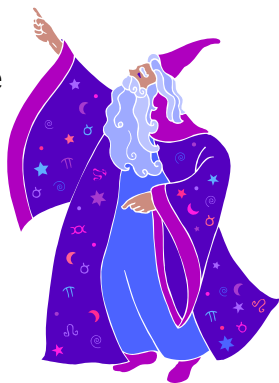
5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Pray.

Friday

1. Ask God to talk to you through the Bible story below and then read and mark it.

The Greedy Magician (Acts 8)

⁹ A man named Simon lived in the city. For quite a while he had practiced evil magic there. He amazed all the people. He claimed to be someone great. ¹⁰ All of the people listened to him. They exclaimed, "This man is known as the Great Power of God!" ¹¹ He had amazed them for a long time with his magic. So they followed him. ¹² But Philip preached the good news of God's kingdom. He preached the name of Jesus Christ. So men and women believed and were baptized. ¹³ Simon himself believed and was baptized. He followed Philip everywhere. He was amazed by the great signs and miracles he saw. ¹⁸ Simon watched as the apostles placed their hands on them. He saw that the Spirit was given to them. So he offered money to Peter and John. ¹⁹ He said, "Give me this power too. Then everyone I place my hands on will receive the Holy Spirit." ²⁰ Peter answered, "May your money be destroyed with you! Do you think you can buy God's gift with money? ²¹ You have no part or share in this holy work. Your heart is not right with God. ²² Turn away from this evil sin of yours. Pray to the Lord. Perhaps he will forgive you for having such a thought in your heart. ²³ I see that you are very bitter. You are a prisoner of sin." ²⁴ Then Simon answered, "Pray to the Lord for me. Pray that nothing you have said will happen to me."



2. What cool thing was best in this story?

4. How did it make you feel? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Pray.

Saturday

1. Today a man named Saul meets Jesus. He will become the Apostle Paul and write much of the New Testament. Ask God to talk to you through this, then read it and mark it.

Saul Becomes a Believer (Acts 9)

¹ Meanwhile, Saul continued to oppose the Lord's followers. He said they would be put to death. ³

On his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴ He fell to the ground. He heard a voice speak to him. "Saul! Saul!" the voice said. "Why are you opposing me?" ⁵ "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus," he replied. "I am the one you are opposing. ⁶ Now get up and go into the city. There you will be told what you must do." ⁷ The men traveling



with Saul stood there. They weren't able to speak. They had heard the sound. But they didn't see anyone. ⁸ Saul got up from the ground. He opened his eyes, but he couldn't see. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. ⁹ For three days he was blind. He didn't eat or drink anything. ¹⁰ In Damascus there was a believer named Ananias. The Lord called out to him in a vision. "Ananias!" he said. "Yes, Lord," he answered. ¹¹ The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street. Ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul. He is praying. ¹² In a vision he has seen (you come). ¹⁷ Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. He placed his hands on Saul. "Brother Saul," he said, "you saw the Lord Jesus. He appeared to you on the road as you were coming here. He has sent me so that you will be able to see again. You will be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ Right away something like scales fell from Saul's eyes. And he could see again. He got up and was baptized.

3. What was the best cool thing in this story?

4. Why did you like it? _____

5. Tell God what you thought about what he said. Pray.

Jesus Crossword Puzzle (New)

Object of the game

Fill out the puzzle. Some words cross each other. This makes it harder. Some Bible verse clues and page numbers in this book are given if needed. Read “More About the Bible” on how to look up a verse. 2 free letters are given too!

How to Play

In this game you must guess the word being asked for. Then find the number in the puzzle. Finally, write your answer on the puzzle starting with that number. Some words have to be written Across (Left to Right). Others are written Down (Top to Bottom). If answers cross each other they will have one letter the same. Do in pencil so you can erase mistakes. Have fun! See how many you can get! Show them to an adult to see if you are right. If you can get up to 3 correct, you are a “Beginner”, and are learning the game. If you get 4-6 correct you are a “Disciple”, and understand it. If you get 7 or more you are a “Teacher”, and can help others in this game.

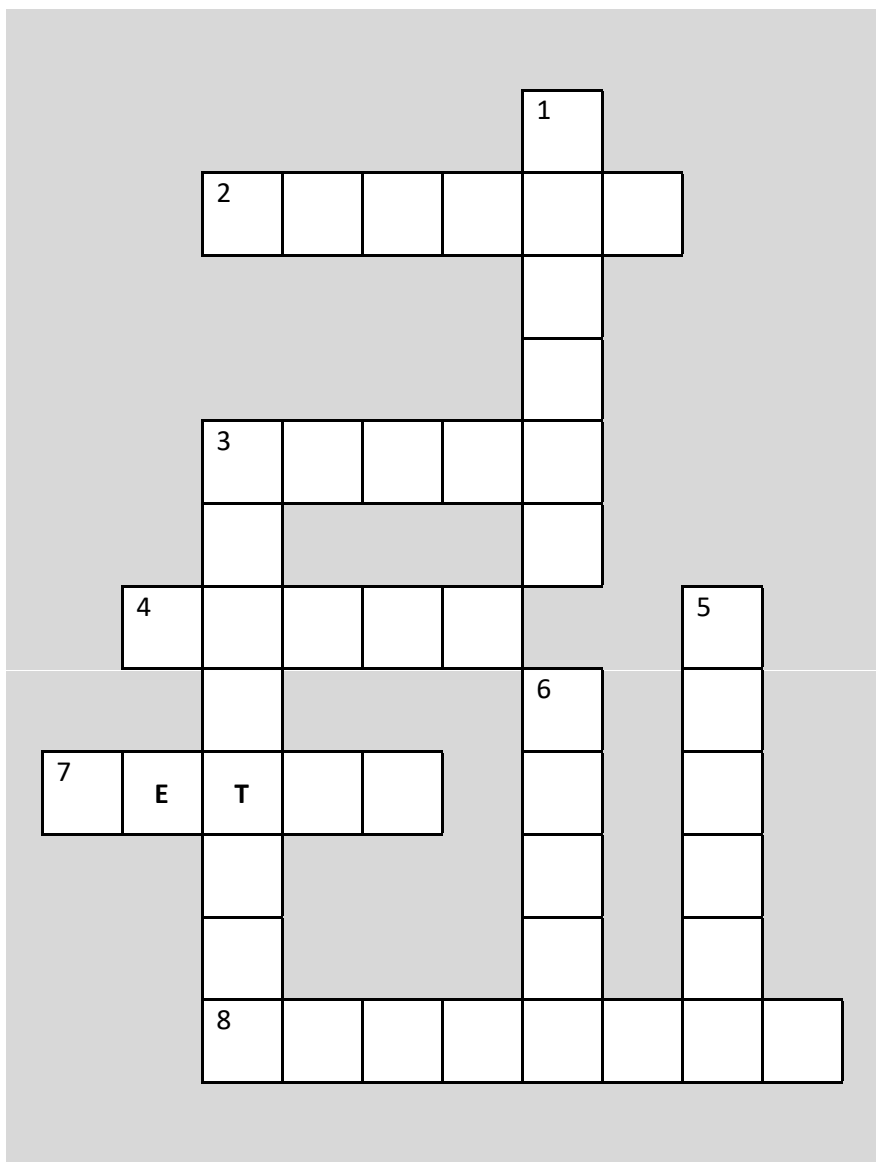
ACROSS (Use clues if needed)

2. What animal did Jesus ride? (See Luke 19:35 or page 25)
3. Who announced Jesus’ birth to shepherds? (Luke 2:10 or pg. 9)
4. What did early people build that God stopped? (Genesis 11:5 or page 31)
7. Who walked on water besides Jesus? (Matthew 14:29 or pg. 15)
8. Jesus is called the good _____? (John 10:14 or pg. 8)



DOWN (Use clues if needed)

1. When Jesus was lost, where did his parents find him? (See Luke 2:46 or page 20)
3. The disciples were also called this. (Mark 3:14 or pg. 12)
5. As a baby, Jesus was first put in this. (Luke 2:7 or page 9)
6. Besides the “way” and the “life”, what else is Jesus called? (John 14:6 or page 19)



SCORE: 0-3 Words filled out BEGINNER
 4-6 Words filled out DISCIPLE
 7- 10 Words filled out TEACHER



MEMORY VERSES GAMES (New!)

Here are several games you can play once you've memorized the verses in the back of the workbook. All these games use the verses you memorize here.

"BLANKS" GAME

How to Play: In this game there are several verses listed below. They are some of the ones you are memorizing. But some of the letters (or even whole words) are missing. See if you can fill in the missing letters and words. Some are easy. Some are hard!

1. Luke 1:37 _____ is _____ with God.

2. JOHN 10:14 _ _ M T H _ G _ _ D S H _ P H _ R D.
_ K N _ W M _ S H _ _ P, _ N D M _ S H _ _ P
K N _ W M _.

3. _____ 121:7 The _____ will keep you from _____
kind of harm. He will _____ over your _____.

4. C _ L _ S S _ _ N S 3:20 C H _ L D R _ N, _ B _ Y
Y _ _ R P _ R _ N T S _ N _ V _ R Y T H _ N G. T H _ T
P L _ _ S _ S T H _ L _ R D.

5. Leviticus ____:____ Do not _____. Do not tell
_____. Do not _____ one another.

"SAY-THEM-WORD-PERFECT" GAME

How to Play: Say each of your verses word perfect one verse after the other! Congratulations! Way to Go!! Cool!!!

SCRAMBLED VERSES GAME

How to Play: These verses on the next page have the words all mixed up. You need to figure out how they go together.

1. Philippians 4:13

by	can	Christ.	do
everything	gives	He	I
me	of	power	the
strength.			

Philippians 4:13 _____

2. Psalm 121:7

every	from	harm.	He
keep	kind	life.	Lord
of	over	The	watch
will	will	you	your

Psalm 121:7 _____

QUESTION GAME

How to Play: Answer the questions. Then put the answers in the correct numbered spaces below completing the verse.

1. When you put something together, what is that called that you did? You _____ something.

2. Another name for prayer that involves singing is _____.

3. You go to school and learn something. Then you _____ it.

Verse: How you (1)_____ me is amazing and wonderful. I (2)_____ you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I (3)_____ that very well.

STORY GAME

How to Play: Read each story below and figure out which verse it is talking about. There could be more than one verse for each story. One answer is given for you.

Story 1 – Johnny’s Dad asked him to pick up his toys. He said the room is messy. Also he did not want Johnny’s little brother to eat the toys and get sick. What verse tells Johnny what he should do? Colossians 3:20

Story 2 - Suzie thinks like she is ugly. She feels fat and has few friends. What verse could make her feel better?

Story 3 – It is storming outside and little Tommy is scared. He hates storms. What verse makes him feel better?

Story 4 – Nancy’s friend doesn’t go to a Christian church. But she is interested in God. She asks why is Jesus so important? What verse should Nancy tell her? _____

Story 5 – Jacob has to tell a story in class. He is a little scared and doesn’t think he will do well. What verse tells him he can do it? _____

The MATCH GAME

How to Play: Draw a line between the reference and the first words of a verse. Two are done for you!

Colossians 3:20	_____	Children, obey your parents...
John 10:14	_____	Do not steal...
John 14:6	_____	How you made me is amazing...
Leviticus 19:11	_____	I am the good shepherd...
Psalms 121:7	_____	I can do everything...
Philippians 4:13	_____	Jesus answered, "I am the way..."
Luke 1:37	_____	Nothing is impossible...
Psalms 139:14	_____	The Lord will keep you...

Even more about the Bible and Prayer

In the first workbook there was more information about the Bible. You may have read it. Here are some of what was



said. There are two basic parts to the Bible. Think of the Bible as a tree with the trunk and branches as the Old Testament. The leaves as the New Testament. Testament means “proof”. The Old Testament is the Old Proof about God. The New Testament is the New Proof about Jesus, God’s Son. As a young

Christian you should read some from the New Testament about Jesus every day.

In the Bible there are Books

Each Testament in the Bible also has many parts called “Books”. This is funny, because the Bible is only one book. But grownups call the many parts in the Testaments “Books”. The first book in the Old Testament is called Genesis. It has the story about God making the world and the animals. This is called “creation”. Another Old Testament book is called “Psalms”. It is a book made up of prayers. The first book in the New Testament is called “Matthew”. It is one of the books about



the life of Jesus. There are four books about the life of Jesus (Matthew Mark, Luke, and John). God spoke these words, but people actually wrote them down on paper. The person who wrote the book of Matthew was a man named Matthew. A man named Mark wrote what God said in the book of Mark. There are other books in the Old and New Testaments. Note too that there are some books that sound alike.



Here are the Books in the New Testament with a summary of each one:

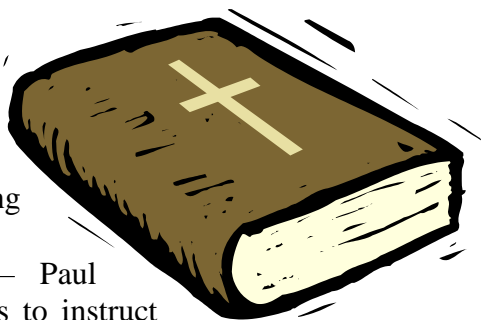
The NEW TESTAMENT

Gospels (Good News about Jesus) and Historical Book

- **Matthew** – The first of the four Gospels (or stories) about Jesus, the Christ. Written by the Apostle Matthew, one of Jesus' Twelve Disciples. It presents Jesus as the Jewish Messiah, the Prophesized King.
- **Mark** – Written by John Mark, a close friend of the Apostle Peter. This Gospel presents more of what Jesus did rather than what He said. Jesus is portrayed as the Obedient Servant.
- **Luke** – Written by a doctor, a friend of the Apostle Paul. Jesus is portrayed as the Perfect Man in this Gospel.
- **John** – The last of the four Gospels. Written by the Apostle John. Jesus is presented here as the Divine Son of God. It shows that Jesus is truly God.
- **Acts** – The spread of Christianity to the world as a result of the witness of the early Church and the Holy Spirit. Includes how the Apostle Paul met Jesus.

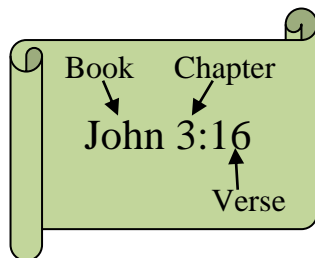
Letters (Instruction) and Prophecy Book

- **Romans** – Teaching on how we are saved by believing in Jesus. Also, how we fight with sin (doing wrong), and our relationship with God. Written by the Apostle Paul as are all the letters through Philemon.
- **1st and 2nd Corinthians** – Letters about sin and also about love and the Holy Spirit.
- **Galatians** – This letter to the church at Galatia on the Old Testament and the New.
- **Ephesians** – A letter on salvation by believing in Jesus alone to the church at Ephesus.
- **Philippians** – A letter on joyful living to the Philippians.
- **Colossians** – This letter to the church at Colossae is about Jesus being #1!
- **1st and 2nd Thessalonians** – These two letters to the church at Thessalonica deal mainly with Jesus coming back to earth.
- **1st and 2nd Timothy** – Paul writes in these two letters to instruct Timothy how to care for the church at Ephesus.
- **Titus** – Paul writes Titus to care for the church on Crete.
- **Philemon** – The tale of a slave coming to Christ.
- **Hebrews** – For Jewish Christians to show that Jesus is totally sufficient.
- **James** – A letter that shows the need to do good things as well as believe in Jesus. Has many wise sayings.
- **1st and 2nd Peter** – Written by the Apostle Peter these two letters teach on holy living, suffering, and false teachers.
- **1st, 2nd, and 3rd John** – By the Apostle John, these three letters give believers assurance of salvation, warnings about false teachers, and instructions on traveling teachers.
- **Jude** – Another letter about false teachers.
- **Revelation** – The future and the return of Jesus.



Finding Verses in the Bible

A verse is a certain sentence in the Bible. Grownups refer to verses in the Bible with a name and some numbers. The name is the book of the Bible. The numbers are the chapter and the verse. John 3:16 means the book of John, chapter 3, verse 16. You will probably be asked some day to find John 3:16 in a Bible. Here's how. First, find the Table of Contents in your Bible. It is somewhere up front in the Bible. It shows both Testaments and the different books in each one. Look the Table of Contents over and find the book you are looking for. Then see what the page number of that book is. Find that page in the Bible. Then begin turning pages until you find the chapter you want. The chapter numbers are printed bigger. Then in that chapter look for smaller numbers. Those are the verse numbers.



Different Versions

There are also different “versions” of the Bible. Some Bibles are written for grownups. They use hard words. Other Bibles are written for kids and use easier words. Each of these different versions are called “translations”. If you want



a Bible of your own get one that is easy to read. I think there are two that are best for young readers like you. One is called the “New International Reader’s Version”. The other is called the

“International Children’s Bible”. Talk with your parents or an adult about getting a Bible for you. Show them this.

What is Prayer?

Prayer can be just talking with God. But prayer is also asking God for something. God is powerful and answers our prayers. Sometimes He answers them **YES**. When he answers YES, we see what we prayed for happen, and come true. It is good for us or for someone else. When he answers **NO**, we don't see that happen. God knows that this is not best for us or for someone else. Or it might not be the right time. God sometimes answers **WAIT**, if he knows it would be better later. It is hard to WAIT, but God knows best. We must believe that. He loves us. So God answers prayer three ways – YES, NO, or WAIT.

How to Pray

You can fold your hands and bow your head when you pray. But you don't have to. You can say your prayer out loud so others can hear it. You can also pray softly. And you can even pray just thinking the



words. All are OK. We also must not be too selfish in what we ask. A selfish prayer is asking just for us, like, "God, give me a bicycle." An unselfish prayer is asking for someone else, like, "God, make my Mom feel better." Always remember, Jesus, who is God, hears your prayers!!!

Prayer List

Some people like to keep a prayer list. This is a list of things you are praying for. Having a prayer list helps you remember what you are praying for. You can also write on it answers you see. Here is a Prayer List you can use if you want. One example is shown. It's cool to see some answers!

What I'm Praying For

God's Answer

Mommy would get better

She did!!!



WAY TO GO!!!

I hope you have had fun reading these Bible stories, praying and having Quiet Times talking with God, and memorizing some verses. If you want, I have one other workbook you can get. Just ask me! Or you may want to graduate to a real Bible. It's up to you. Either is OK. The important thing is to spend time each day listening to God in the Bible and talking with Him in prayer! **Have fun talking with Him!!!**



VERSES TO MEMORIZE

(Optional: You may want an adult to cut these out)

WEEK ONE

Obey My Parents

Colossians 3:20

Children, obey your parents in everything.

That pleases the Lord.

Colossians 3:20

Jesus is My Shepherd

John 10:14

I am the good shepherd. I know my sheep,

and my sheep know me.

John 10:14

WEEK TWO

Jesus is the Way to God the Father

John 14:6

Jesus answered,

"I am the way and the truth and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:6

Things I Should Not Do

Leviticus 19:11

Do not steal. Do not tell lies.

Do not cheat one another.

Leviticus 19:11

VERSES TO MEMORIZE

(Optional: You may want an adult to cut these out)

WEEK THREE

God Can Do Anything

Luke 1:37

Nothing is impossible with God.

Luke 1:37

God Gives Me Strength

Philippians 4:13

**I can do everything by the power of Christ. He gives
me strength.**

Philippians 4:13

WEEK FOUR

God Keeps Me Safe

Psalms 121:7

The Lord will keep you from every kind of harm.

He will watch over your life.

Psalms 121:7

I Am Wonderful!

Psalms 139:14

How you made me is amazing and wonderful.

I praise you for that.

What you have done is wonderful.

I know that very well.

Psalms 139:14

Did you like this?

I have developed studies and journals like this for the whole family: pre-schoolers and early readers, elementary age, teens, and adults. The goal is to help people spend time daily with God in His Word and prayer. That changes lives! The format differs according to the age and interest.

For Adults

- Reflections – Spending Time with God
- Finances – More than Making Ends Meet
- Marriage & Family – Living and Leaving a Legacy
- Acts – Reaching the World for Christ
- James – Living Out Your Faith
- 2nd Timothy – Multiplying Your Ministry
- Directions – Moving Others Towards Christ
- Excavations – Digging Deep into God's Word
- Meditations – Being a Person After God's Own Heart
- Reflections Journal – Your Time with God

For Teens

- Cool Things in the Bible, for Teens
- Cooler Things in the Bible, for Teens
- Coolest Things in the Bible, for Teens

For Elementary Age (Readers)

- Cool Things in the Bible, for Kids
- Cooler Things in the Bible, for Kids
- Coolest Things in the Bible, for Kids

For Pre-Schoolers and Early Readers

- Jesus Calms the Storm