



# One Year Discipleship Plan for Kids

## Learning to Follow Jesus

## and Share His Love

*“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always.”*

— *Matthew 28:18–20*

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### **Note to Leaders:**

What a joy and responsibility it is to guide a child as they learn from God's Word! Jesus himself welcomed children to Him, even when others were trying to keep them away, thinking they were unworthy of His attention. Nothing could be further from the truth.

This plan is meant to help kids, up to approximately age 10, look to the Bible for truth and direction. As you guide them, they will learn who God is, how to know Him, how to live for Him and how to tell others about him.

There are a number of verses for each lesson. Some of the verses may be more understandable than others. We recommend that you do the adult Discipleship Plan lesson yourself before teaching the same lesson to the children. Then, be sure to ask the students what they think each verse means, and explain to them according to the lesson that you have done in the adult version. Even though they may not understand now, we want to give them God's Word as much as we can. All of our learning about God must begin with His Word, which is why each lesson begins with Scripture.

Be sure to work with them on the memory verses at the end of each lesson. At the end of the year, that will have memorized many verses that stay with them. Also, be sure to go back and review the ones they have already memorized so they don't forget them.

Please pray each week, asking the Holy Spirit to guide your words as you teach them about what it means to be a disciple (a "learner" or "follower") of Jesus. Be praying especially for each student, that they can understand and apply these lessons. You have accepted a great responsibility in teaching children. May you be blessed in your efforts.

Blessings,

Dr. Chip Johnston and Sheri Johnston

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## What Is This Plan?

Jesus gave us an amazing and very important job!

*“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always.”*

— Matthew 28:18–20

Jesus wants us to **learn from Him, follow Him, and help others follow Him too!**

This plan has **52 short lessons**—one for each week of the year. In it you’ll learn:

- Who God is and how we can know Him through His Son Jesus
- How to live like Jesus
- How to help others know God also

## Why We Study the Bible

The Bible is God’s special book written for us! It tells us what is true about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit and how we should live as we follow Jesus.

Each week, we’ll read Bible verses together and learn what they mean.

Everything in the Bible is true and important — it helps us know how to live God’s way.

We can’t wait to learn more about what God says to us through His Word!

## My Promise

I want to follow Jesus and help others know Him too.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Soon, you’ll be ready to share what you’ve learned with a friend or sibling!

Start thinking about people you know who need Jesus’ love, and begin praying for them today. 

I’m praying for \_\_\_\_\_ to know and follow Jesus.

## Lesson 1 – What Is Sin, and How Can We Be Saved?

**Read together:** Romans 3:23; Romans 5:8; Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:1–3

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### What Is Sin?

The Bible says that everyone has sinned.

Sin is when we think, say, or do something that goes against what God wants.

No one is perfect — not adults or kids.

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### What Happens Because of Sin?

God is perfect and holy.

When we sin, it separates us from Him—like a wall between us and God. And because God is holy and perfect, he must respond to sin with judgment; just like a parent must punish naughty behavior because it is wrong and breaks the rules for good behavior.

But God loves us so much that He made a way to forgive our sin and take that wall down!

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### What Did Jesus Do?

Jesus is God's Son and came to earth because His Father sent Him and because He loves us. He died on the cross to take the punishment for our sin.

But after He died—He came back to life!

Now we can be forgiven and know God forever if we will trust him to save us!

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### What Should We Do?

- Understand that sin is doing wrong against God and that everyone has done wrong things.
  - Believe that Jesus died for our sin and rose again to life.
  - Tell God we're sorry for our sin and that we are willing to turn from doing wrong things to following what Jesus calls us to do.
  - Trust Jesus to forgive our sin and helps us to live by obeying Him.
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### A Prayer You Can Say

*“Dear Jesus, I know I am a sinner and do wrong things at times. I’m sorry for my sin. I believe you died to pay for my sin so I don’t have to myself. I’m willing turn from living for sin to instead follow you. Thank you for forgiving my sin and helping me to follow You every day. In Jesus name, Amen.”*

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### Let’s Practice

- Write and memorize **Romans 6:23** this week.
  - Draw or write about how it feels to know God loves and forgives you.
  - Think of some things that make it hard to follow Jesus. Ask Him to help you with them!
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## Lesson 2 – What Happens When We’re Saved?

**Read together:** Ephesians 1:1–14; Romans 8:1–11; 2 Corinthians 5:16–17; Romans 6:1–14

### What Does It Mean to Be Saved?

Being *saved* means Jesus takes the punishment for our sins and saves us from judgment. Instead of being apart from God because of our sin, we become part of His family! Then, God gives us special gifts called **spiritual blessings** to help us live for Him.

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### God’s Spiritual Blessings:

- God forgives our sins.
  - He calls us His children.
  - He gives us the Holy Spirit to live within us.
  - He promises that nothing can ever separate us from His love!
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### What Changes in Our Life?

- We become a **new creation**—we start to want the things God wants.
  - We can say “no” to sin and “yes” to God.
  - The Holy Spirit helps us live in a way that follows what Jesus teaches.
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### Let’s Practice

- Thank God for saving you and giving you His blessings.
  - Write and memorize **Ephesians 2:8–9** this week.
  - Think of one way your life is different now that you follow Jesus.
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### Lesson 3 – Why Should We Be Baptized?

**Read together:** Acts 2:37–38; Acts 10:44–48; Acts 16:25–34; Romans 6:3–4; Colossians 2:12; 1 Corinthians 12:13

#### What Is Baptism?

Baptism is when someone who believes in Jesus goes under water and comes back up in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

It's a way to show everyone that you belong to Jesus!

Like a wedding ring shows that someone is married, baptism shows that you follow Jesus.

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#### What Does the Bible Say?

- People in the Bible got baptized *after* they believed in Jesus.
  - Baptism is a picture of Jesus dying, being buried, and coming back to life.
  - It's one way we can say to others, "I follow Jesus!"
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#### What About the Holy Spirit?

When we believe in Jesus, the Holy Spirit comes to live in us.

That's called being baptized by the Spirit. (1 Corinthians 12:13)

Water baptism is an *outside sign* of what's already happened *inside* your heart.

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#### Let's Practice

- Have you been baptized in water since believing in Jesus? Write "Yes" or "Not yet."
  - If "Not yet," write down any questions you have or what's holding you back.
  - Memorize **Romans 6:4** to remember what baptism means.
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## Lesson 4 – What Is the Bible?

### What Is the Bible?

Read together: Psalm 19:7-11; James 1:22; John 17:17; Romans 10:17

The Bible is **God’s Word** written down for us!

It’s one big book made up of **66 smaller books**—some are stories, others are songs or letters.

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### What’s Inside?

- **Old Testament (39 books):** tells how God made the world and chose His people.
  - **New Testament (27 books):** tells us about Jesus and how we can follow Him.
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### Why Is It Important?

The Bible helps us know God better and teaches us how to live.

It’s like a **flashlight** that helps us see where we’re going when it’s dark!

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### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Psalm 119:105** — “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”
  - Try to name 5 books from the Old Testament and 5 from the New Testament!
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## Lesson 5 – How Did We Get the Bible?

Read together: 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:19–21; Psalm 119:9, 89; Hebrews 4:12; Romans 15:4; Psalm 19:7–8

### Who Wrote the Bible?

The Bible was written by many different people—about 40 in all!

But they didn't just write what they wanted.

God told them what to say, and they wrote it down.

That means the Bible isn't just people's ideas—it's God's written Word to us!

### Why Should We Read It?

- It teaches us what's true about God, life and ourselves.
- It helps us make good choices.
- It shows us how much God loves us.
- It never changes, because God never changes.

### Why Should We Obey It?

Reading the Bible is great—but doing what it says is even better!

When we live out God's Word, it pleases Him and shows others who He is.

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **2 Timothy 3:16** this week.
- Think of one Bible verse you already know—how can you live it out right now?
- Ask God to help you love and obey His Word every day.

## Lesson 6 – What Does the Bible Say About God?

Read together: John 4:24; Deuteronomy 6:4–5; Isaiah 46:9; 1 Corinthians 8:4–6; John 1:1; 1 Timothy 1:17; Hebrews 10:23

### Who Is God?

- God isn't a person like us—He is a spirit, so we can't see Him with our eyes.
- There is only one true God.
- God is the Father, Son (Jesus), and Holy Spirit—three Persons, but still one God!

### What Is God Like?

- He has always been and will always be the same—He never changes!
- He knows everything and rules over everything.
- He never sins or makes mistakes.
- He always keeps His promises.
- There's no one else like Him—ever!

### Can We Understand Everything About God?

Not yet! But one day, when we're in heaven, we'll understand Him more.  
For now, we can know Him better by learning His Word and following His ways.

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **Deuteronomy 6:4–5** this week.
- Draw or write three things you've learned about who God is.

## Lesson 7 – What Do We Know About God and What He Does?

Read together: Isaiah 6:1–5; Deuteronomy 4:31; 1 John 4:7–11; Exodus 34:14; Genesis 1; Hebrews 11:3; Revelation 4:11; Acts 14:14–17; Psalm 33:10–11; Daniel 4:35; Isaiah 46:8–10; Psalm 19:1–6; Romans 1:18–20

### What Is God Like?

- God is holy (perfect), loving, kind, and patient.
- He never sins, and He never makes mistakes.
- He loves people and hates evil— and He’s full of mercy!

### What Has God Done?

- He made the whole world from nothing!
- He created people in His image so we can have a relationship with Him.
- He is in charge of everything that happens— everything.

### How Can We Know God Is Real?

Just look around! 

The stars, mountains, oceans, and every living thing show us that God is real. The beauty and order in the world point to a powerful, loving Creator.

### Let’s Practice

- Write and memorize **Psalm 19:1** this week.
- Write a prayer thanking God for something He made that you love.

## Lesson 8 – Who Is Jesus?

Read together: John 1:1–3; Colossians 1:16–17; 1 Corinthians 10:1–4; Matthew 1:18–25; John 1:14–18; Philippians 2:6–7; 1 Peter 2:22; Matthew 4:2–3; John 19:28; Matthew 26:37; Luke 23:46; John 20:27; John 17:3; Hebrews 1:3

### Before Jesus Was Born

- Jesus has always existed—He helped create the world!
- He is God’s Son, and He is fully God.
- Even before His earthly birth, He was part of God’s plan to save us.

### When Jesus Came to Earth

- Jesus was born as a baby (that’s why we celebrate Christmas as his birth 🎄 —even if we don’t know the exact day). He was completely God and completely man.
- He lived a perfect life—He never sinned, not even once!
- Jesus showed us exactly what God is like in a way we can understand.

### Why Did Jesus Come?

- Jesus came to save us from sin by taking our punishment on the cross, then rise again from the dead.
- He also came to show us how to live and love others.

### Let’s Practice

- If you wrote a letter to Jesus, what question would you ask him?
- Write and memorize **John 14:6** this week.

## Lesson 9 – What Has Jesus Done for Us?

**Read together:** Hebrews 9:27–28; Romans 3:21–26; 1 John 2:2; Philippians 2:8–11; 1 Corinthians 15:3–8, 50–57; John 5:28–29; 1 Timothy 6:13–16; Acts 1:11; 2 Thessalonians 1:7–10; Revelation 19:11–21

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### Jesus Died for Us

- Jesus took the punishment for our sin.
  - Even though He never did anything wrong, He chose to die on the cross.
  - He did it because He was obedient to His Father, and because He loves us.
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### Jesus Rose Again

- On the third day after He died, **Jesus came back to life!**
  - He showed everyone that He is stronger than sin and death.
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### What Does That Mean for Us?

- We can be **forgiven** from all our sins.
  - We can live **forever** with God in heaven.
  - We can have **peace and joy** in our hearts right now and not fear death.
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### Let's Practice

- Say out loud: **“Jesus died for me and rose again!”**
  - Write and memorize **Romans 5:8** this week.
  - Thank Jesus for what He did for you on the cross!
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## Lesson 10 – Who Is the Holy Spirit?

**Read together:** Psalm 139:7–10; John 16:5–11; John 14:15–18; 1 Corinthians 6:19–20; John 3:1–8; Romans 8:9–11, 26–27

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### The Holy Spirit Is God

- The Holy Spirit isn't a ghost or just a feeling—He is a **real person as a spirit**.
  - He is part of the **Trinity, or three person God**: God the Father, God the Son (Jesus), and God the Holy Spirit are three persons, but one God.
  - The Holy Spirit comes to live in us when we place our trust in Jesus.
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### What Does the Holy Spirit Do?

- He helps us **understand the Bible**.
  - He gives us **strength** to do what's right.
  - He helps us see when we are doing wrong.
  - He **comforts** us when we're sad and helps us **pray** when we don't know what to say.
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### Let's Practice

- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you obey God today.
  - Write and memorize **John 14:26** this week.
  - Draw something that reminds you of how the Holy Spirit helps you.
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## Lesson 11 – How Does the Holy Spirit Help Us?

**Read together:** Ephesians 5:15–21; Galatians 5:16–26; 2 Corinthians 7:9–10; 1 Corinthians 12:7–11; Romans 12:6–8

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### Who Is the Holy Spirit?

- The Holy Spirit is how **God lives in us** when we believe in Jesus.
  - He helps us follow Jesus and make choices that please God.
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### What Does He Do?

- He teaches us what the Bible means and helps us remember it.
  - He helps us **say “no” to sin** and **“yes” to God**.
  - He fills our hearts with **love, peace, joy, and strength**.
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### Let's Practice

- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you live for God today.
  - Write and memorize **Ephesians 5:18** this week.
  - Think: how can you tell the Holy Spirit is working in your life?
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## Lesson 12 – How Do We Study the Bible?

**Read together:** 2 Timothy 2:15; Psalm 119:1–8

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### Why Study the Bible?

- The Bible is **God’s written Word**—it shows us how to live His way.
  - It helps our **faith grow strong**, just like food helps our bodies grow strong.
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### How Can We Study?

- Read some of the Bible **every day**.
  - **Pray** before you read—ask God to help you understand what it means.
  - **Think** about what you read—what does it tell you about God and about yourself or others?
  - **Talk** to someone (a pastor, parent, teacher, or friend) about what you learned.
  - Try to **live out** what the Bible says!
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### Let’s Practice

- Make a plan to read your Bible every day this week—even just a few verses, or have someone read it to you!  
(You may have to give up something else you like doing, but it will be worth it!)  
When will you read from the Bible this week or have someone read it to you?
  - Write and memorize **Psalm 119:105** this week.
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## Lesson 13 – How Do We Pray?

**Read together:** Matthew 6:5–13

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### What Is Prayer?

Prayer is **talking to God**—just like talking to someone you love and trust. You can pray **anytime** and **anywhere**—God always listens!

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### What Can We Say?

- **Tell God how great He is.** We call that praising God.
  - **Thank** God for all the good things in your life.
  - **Tell God you are sorry** for the wrong things you’ve done.
  - **Ask** God to teach you more about Him and His ways.
  - **Ask for help**, for yourself or others who need Him.
  - **Pray** that more people will come to know and love God too.
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### Let’s Practice

- Write your own prayer today—tell God what’s on your heart. Also, write the names of people you know that need to meet Jesus. Pray for them too!
  - Write and memorize **Philippians 4:6** this week.
  - Remember: God loves to hear from you! 
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## Lesson 14 – How Do We Worship God?

**Read together:** Psalm 95:1–7; Psalm 100; Hebrews 12:28; Revelation 4; Romans 12:1–2; Hebrews 13:15; Psalm 150

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### What Is Worship?

Worship means **showing love, respect, and thankfulness** to God.

We worship Him when we sing, pray, listen, or obey!

Worship isn't just something we do at church—it's how we live each day.

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### How Can We Worship?

- **Sing** to God with joy. 🎵
  - **Thank** and **Praise** Him for who He is and what He's done.
  - **Obey** Him with a happy heart.
  - **Trust** Him even when things are hard—that's worship too!
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### Let's Practice

- Write or sing a short song, poem, or prayer of worship to God.
  - Write and memorize **Romans 12:1** this week.
  - Think: When do you feel closest to God in worship?
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## Lesson 15 – How Do We Give to God?

**Read together:** 2 Corinthians 8:1–5; 2 Corinthians 9:6–8; Matthew 6:1–4; Mark 12:41–44

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### What Does Giving Mean?

Giving shows our **love and trust** in God.

We can give **money, time, talents**, and **kindness** to help others.

When we give, it makes God happy because it shows a **thankful heart**.

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### Why Do We Give?

- Everything we have comes from **God's hands**.
  - Giving to others or the church shows **we appreciate what God has given us**.
  - Giving helps others and shares God's love.
  - Giving shows we **trust God** to take care of us.
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### Let's Practice

- Think of **one way** you can give this week—maybe share, help, or give something important to us to someone else.
  - Write and memorize **2 Corinthians 9:7** this week.
  - Remember: God loves a cheerful giver that gives because we want to give, not because we feel like we have to give! 😊
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## Lesson 16 – How Do We Serve God?

**Read together:** Romans 12:1–8; 1 Corinthians 13; Romans 12:9–10

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### What Does It Mean to Serve?

To **serve** means to **help others** in Jesus' name.

It's using your time, talents, and kindness to show God's love.

Serving isn't always big—it can be simple but powerful!

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### How Can We Serve?

- **At home:** Help your parents, be kind to your brothers and sisters.
- **At church:** Sing, pray for others, or help clean up.
- **At school:** Be honest, include others that have no friends, and show respect to teachers.
- **Everywhere:** Tell other people about Jesus.

When we serve others, we're really **serving God!**

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### Let's Practice

- Think of **one way** you can serve someone this week.
  - Write and memorize **1 Peter 4:10** this week.
  - Pray: "Jesus, help me serve others with a happy heart."
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## Lesson 17 – How Do We Tell Others About Jesus?

Read together: Mark 5:1–20; Acts 1:6–8; Matthew 28:18–20

### What Is the Gospel?

The word “**Gospel**” means Good News! 

- Jesus died for our sins and then came back to life.
- He is alive forever!
- Anyone who believes in Jesus can be forgiven and live forever with God.

That’s the best news ever—and it’s worth sharing!

### How Can We Share?

- Tell your friends what Jesus has done for you.
- Invite someone to church, Sunday school, or a Bible study like this.
- Be kind and loving—your actions can show Jesus’ love too!

You don’t have to be a grown-up preacher. You can tell others about Jesus right now! 

### Let’s Practice

- Make a list of people you want to tell about Jesus.
- Start praying for them every day!
- Write and memorize **Acts 1:8** this week.

## Lesson 18 – What Is the Church?

Read together: Matthew 16:18; Acts 1:4–8; Mark 1:14–15; 1 Corinthians 1:2; 1 Thessalonians 1:1; Hebrews 12:23; Ephesians 1:22–23; Acts 2:37–47

### What Is the Church?

The church isn't a building—it's God's family! It may meet in a building, but the church is actually people who know Jesus. 

When people who believe in Jesus gather together to worship, learn, grow together, and serve each other, that's the church.

Wherever believers are together, Jesus is there too!

### Why Is Church Important?

- We learn about God and His Word.
- We encourage each other when life is hard.
- We serve and grow together as one family.
- We work together to tell the world about Jesus.

Church helps us remember we're never alone—God gave us each other!

### Let's Practice

- Draw a picture of your church family—include people who help you grow in your faith.
- Write and memorize **Hebrews 10:25** this week.

## Lesson 19 – What Is the Lord’s Supper?

Read together: Matthew 26:17–30; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26; Mark 14:22–25

### What Is It?

The Lord’s Supper, also called Communion, is a special time to remember Jesus. We eat bread and drink juice as symbols to remember His body and blood given for us on the cross.

### Why Do We Do It?

- To say “Thank You, Jesus” for dying for us.
- To remember His love and sacrifice.
- To worship together with other believers.

This special act helps us never forget how much Jesus loves us!

### Let’s Practice

- Ask an adult in your church to explain what Communion means, and when you can participate in the bread and cup of the Lord’s Supper.
- Write and memorize **1 Corinthians 11:26** this week.
- Pray a quiet prayer of thanks to Jesus.

## Lesson 20 – What Do We Know About Angels?

Read together: Psalm 8:3–5; Revelation 12:7–9; Psalm 148:2–5; James 2:19; Luke 8:1–2; Hebrews 1:14; Revelation 8:2–5; Acts 12:6–11

### Who Are Angels?

- Angels are God’s messengers and helpers.
- They were created as angels by God—they are not people who became angels.
- They are powerful and holy, but they are not God.

### What Do They Do?

- They protect and help God’s people.
- They worship God and do what He tells them to do.
- They sometimes bring God’s messages to His people.

### Should We Worship Angels?

No! We only worship God, not angels.

Angels work *for* God—they are His amazing helpers, but they don’t take His place. Just like when we help our parents, we are their helpers. We don’t become parents.

### Let’s Practice

- Write and memorize **Hebrews 1:14** this week.
- Thank God for sending His angels to protect you. 

## Lesson 21 – What Do We Know About Satan?

Read together: 1 Timothy 3:6; John 8:44; Revelation 12:7–12; Matthew 4:1–11; Ephesians 6:10–13; 2 Corinthians 4:4; John 8:42–47; Ephesians 4:26–27

### Who Is Satan?

- Satan was once one of God’s angels, but he turned against God because he wanted to be like Him.
- He tries to trick people to pull them away from God’s truth.
- The Bible says he is the “father of lies.”

### Is He Strong?

- Satan is powerful, but he’s not stronger than God.
- He can’t do anything unless God allows it.
- God is always in control!

### What Should We Do?

- Say “no” to his lies and don’t listen when he tries to tempt you.
- Trust God and stand firm on His Word.
- Remember: God’s truth always wins over Satan’s lies!

### Let’s Practice

- Write and memorize **James 4:7** this week: “Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.”
- Write down one lie Satan might whisper (like “*You’re not loved*”) and then write the truth from God’s Word (like “*God loves me forever!*”).

## Lesson 22 – How Do We Win Against the Enemy?

Read together: Ephesians 6:10–20; John 1:14; James 4:7; John 8:32

### What Is a Spiritual Battle?

A spiritual battle isn't like a regular fight—it's when we stand up against sin and lies using God's truth.

We don't use swords or shields—we use faith, prayer, and God's Word!

### What Armor Do We Wear?

God gives us armor to protect our hearts and minds:

- Truth – to fight lies
- Righteousness – to do what's right
- Peace – to stay calm and kind
- Faith – to trust God no matter what
- Salvation – to remember we belong to Jesus
- God's Word – our sword of truth!

And don't forget—prayer is our secret weapon! 

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **Ephesians 6:11** this week.
- Draw a picture of yourself wearing God's armor!
- Pray for God's help to stand strong in His truth each day.

## Lesson 23 – What Truths Should We Believe About God?

Read together: John 14:6; Psalm 103:8; Revelation 4:11; Isaiah 6:3; Ephesians 2:4; Philippians 2:13; Job 42:2; Psalm 46:1; Daniel 4:3; Hebrews 4:14

### What Is God Like?

- God is kind, patient, strong, and full of love.
- He never gives up on us.
- Everything He does is good, perfect, and wise.

### What Has He Promised?

- God has good plans for our lives.
- He is always working things out for our good, even when we can't see it.
- He will never leave us or forget us—not ever!

### Let's Practice

- Choose one verse from the verses above to write and memorize this week.
- Draw or write three things you know are true about God (like “God is faithful,” “God is love”).
- Pray and thank God for who He is—He never changes! 🙌

## Lesson 24 – What Truths Should We Believe About Ourselves?

Read together: Colossians 1:21–22; John 1:12; Romans 5:1; Romans 8:1; John 15:15; Colossians 2:13; 1 Corinthians 6:19; Philippians 3:20; Ephesians 1:4–5; Ephesians 2:5–6; Colossians 3:3

### Who Are We once we Belong to Jesus?

When we follow Jesus...

- We are forgiven.
- We are loved deeply by God.
- We are His children—part of His forever family.
- We are safe and secure in His hands.

### What Does That Mean?

- We don't have to be afraid, because God is with us.
- We can live with joy and hope every day.
- We can trust that God's love never changes, no matter what.

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **2 Corinthians 5:17** this week.
- Write: "I am loved by God!" in big letters and decorate it. 
- Thank God for making you a new person in Jesus!

## Lesson 25 – Why Is Forgiveness Important?

Read together: Matthew 6:9–15; Ephesians 4:31–32; 2 Corinthians 2:5–11; Matthew 18:21–35

### What Is Forgiveness?

- Forgiveness means deciding not to stay angry at someone who hurt us, and not trying to get them back. We let God take care of them for what they did to us.
- God forgives us, and He calls us to forgive others too.

### Why Should We Forgive?

- God tells us to forgive others the same way He forgives us.
- Forgiveness helps our hearts heal and fills us with peace.
- When we forgive, we show God's love to others. 

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **Ephesians 4:32** this week.
- Think of someone you need to forgive. Write down all of their names. Tell God you forgive them, and pray for them.
- Thank God for forgiving *you*!

## Lesson 26 – How Do We Battle Against Sin Each Day?

Read together: 2 Corinthians 10:3–6; James 4:7; Romans 6:11–14; Galatians 5:19–21; Ephesians 4:25–31

### What Is Sin?

- Sin is anything we think, say, or do that goes against God’s ways.
- Even wrong thoughts or selfish attitudes are sin.
- Sin hurts our relationship with God—but He can help us change!

### What Should We Do?

- Ask God to show us anything we think or do that is sinful.
- Tell God we’re sorry and ask for His help to stop.
- Fill our minds with good things from the Bible and godly thoughts.

### Let’s Practice

- Write and memorize **Romans 12:2** this week.
- Write a short prayer asking God to help you overcome sin in your life.
- Think about one verse that can help you when you’re tempted.

## Lesson 27 – Why Is Obeying Authority Important?

Read together: James 4:6; Proverbs 16:18; 1 John 2:16; Proverbs 18:12; Proverbs 15:33; Romans 13:1–7; Ephesians 5:21–33; 1 Peter 2:13–23; Ephesians 6:1–3; Colossians 3:18–21; Hebrews 13:17

### What Is Authority?

- Authority means people God has placed in charge—like parents, teachers, or leaders.
- God wants us to respect and obey them because it shows that we respect Him, too.

### What Did Jesus Do?

- Jesus obeyed His Father, even when it was difficult.
- He showed us that obedience is an important part of loving God.

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **Philippians 2:5** this week.
- Think of one way you can obey someone in charge this week (a parent, teacher, or leader).
- Pray for a humble heart like Jesus. ❤️

## Lesson 28 – What Will Happen at the End of Time?

Read together: Acts 1:11; Matthew 24:36–44; Revelation 16:15; 1 Thessalonians 4:13–17; 2 Peter 3:3–13

### What Does the Bible Say?

- One day, Jesus will come back again and take us to be with Him!
- He will make everything new, good, and right.
- People who love Jesus will live with Him forever in heaven.

### What Should We Do?

- Be ready by loving and obeying Jesus every day.
- Tell others about Him so they can be ready too!
- Live with joy and hope, looking forward to His return.

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **1 Thessalonians 4:16–17** this week.
- Draw what you think heaven or Jesus' return might look like!
- Thank Jesus for His promise to come back for you.

## Lesson 29 – What Happens When We Die?

Read together: Hebrews 9:27; James 2:26; 2 Corinthians 5:6–10; Luke 16:22–23; 1 Corinthians 3:10–15; Revelation 20:6

### Is Death the End?

- No! For everyone who loves Jesus, death is just the beginning of forever life with Him.
- When we die, our bodies stay here, but our spirit lives with God in heaven.
- In heaven, there will be no more sadness, pain, or tears—only joy with Jesus! 

### What About Now?

- We don't need to be afraid of death when we trust Jesus.
- We can live with hope and peace, knowing He is with us now and forever.

### Let's Practice

- Write and memorize **John 14:6** this week.
- Draw or write about what gives you peace when you think about heaven.
- Say, “Thank You, Jesus, for giving me forever life with You!”

## Lesson 30 – How Did Jesus Begin His Ministry?

Read together: Mark 1:1–20

### What Happens in This Story?

- John the Baptist tells everyone to get ready for Jesus by repenting (turning away) from their sins.
- Jesus is baptized and begins His ministry.
- Jesus calls His first disciples, saying, “Follow Me!”

### What Does It Mean for Us?

- Jesus wants you to follow Him too!
- We can be His helpers and share His love with others wherever we go. ❤️

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 1:17** this week.
- Draw or write what it means to follow Jesus in your life—at home, school, or church.
- Pray: “Jesus, help me follow You every day.”

## Lesson 31 – Jesus Heals and Prays

Read together: Mark 1:21–39

### What Happens?

- Jesus teaches in the synagogue, and everyone is amazed by His words.
- He tells an evil spirit to leave a man—and it obeys!
- Jesus heals many people and then takes quiet time to pray.
- Jesus tells his disciples that He didn't come to heal, but he came to preach the gospel.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus has power over sickness and evil.
- He cares deeply about people and wants to help them.
- Even Jesus took time to pray—we should too! 🙏

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 1:35** this week.
- Write or draw one way you can make time to pray this week.
- Pray: "Thank You, Jesus, for caring about me and teaching me to pray."

## Lesson 32 – Jesus Heals and Forgives

Read together: Mark 1:40–2:12

### What Happens?

- A man with a skin disease asks Jesus to heal him. Jesus says, “I am willing!”
- Four friends bring a paralyzed man to Jesus. Jesus forgives his sins and heals him!

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus is kind and willing to help people who are suffering.
- Forgiveness of sin is even more important than healing our bodies.
- Good friends help each other get closer to Jesus.

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 2:5** this week.
- Draw the four friends lowering the man through the roof. 
- Thank Jesus for being willing to heal and forgive!

## Lesson 33 – Jesus Loves and Leads

Read together: Mark 2:13–3:6

### What Happens?

- Jesus calls Levi, a tax collector, to be one of His followers.
- He teaches that love is more important than just following a bunch of rules.
- Jesus breaks a religious rule to heal a man, even when others are watching and criticizing Him.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus loves everyone, even people others might not like.
- He wants our hearts to be full of kindness, not just rules.
- Real faith shows in how we love others! ❤️

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 2:17** or another short verse from this story.
- Write or draw one way you can show love even when others will criticize you.

## Lesson 34 – Jesus Chooses His Helpers

Read together: Mark 3:7–35

### What Happens?

- Huge crowds come to see Jesus.
- He chooses 12 disciples to be His close helpers.
- Jesus says that anyone who does God’s will is part of His family!

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus wants us to be close to Him, just like His disciples.
- We can be part of God’s big family when we obey Him.
- God’s family is full of love, joy, and purpose!

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 3:35** this week.
- Write out what it feels like to be part of Jesus’ family. 
- Thank Jesus for calling you to be part of His family!

## Lesson 35 – The Kingdom of God Grows

Read together: Mark 4:1–34

### What Happens?

- Jesus tells stories called parables to help people understand God’s kingdom.
- He tells one story about seeds falling on different kinds of ground.
- Another story is about a tiny seed that grows into a big plant!

### What Do We Learn?

- God’s Word grows best in hearts that are ready to listen and obey.
- Even a little bit of faith can grow big with God’s help. 
- Jesus wants us to listen and learn from Him every day.

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 4:40** this week.
- Draw a tiny seed growing into a big, strong plant.
- Pray: “God, help Your Word to grow in my heart.”

## Lesson 36 – Jesus Calms the Storm

Read together: Mark 4:35–5:20

### What Happens?

- Jesus and His friends are caught in a huge storm, but Jesus calms it with just His words! 
- Then He helps a man who was troubled by many evil spirits.
- The man is healed and wants to stay with Jesus.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus is stronger than any storm or scary thing.
- He brings peace and healing to people who trust Him.
- When Jesus helps us, we should tell others about it too!

### Let's Practice

- Memorize Mark 5:19 this week.
- Draw a picture of Jesus calming the storm while His friends are amazed.
- Write or say one thing Jesus has helped you with.

## Lesson 37 – Jesus Heals and Brings Life

Read together: Mark 5:21–43

### What Happens?

- A woman who had been sick for many years touches Jesus' robe and is healed!
- A girl dies, but Jesus brings her back to life.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus cares about everyone, even people others might ignore.
- He has power over sickness and death.
- Faith means trusting Jesus even when things look impossible.

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 5:36** this week.
- Draw the girl before and after Jesus brings her back to life.
- Write about something you're trusting Jesus to take care of.

## Lesson 38 – Jesus Sends Out His Helpers

Read together: Mark 6:1–29

### What Happens?

- The people in Jesus' hometown don't believe in Him.
- Jesus sends His disciples out to teach and heal others.
- John the Baptist is put to death for speaking God's truth.

### What Do We Learn?

- Not everyone will believe in Jesus—but we can still stand strong for Him.
- God gives us courage to speak truth and share His love.
- We can follow Jesus faithfully, even when life is hard.

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 6:4** this week.
- Write one way you can be brave for Jesus this week—at school, home, or with friends.
- Pray for courage to always tell others about Him. 

## Lesson 39 – Jesus Feeds and Rescues

Read together: Mark 6:30–56

### What Happens?

- Jesus feeds more than 5,000 people with just a few loaves of bread and a couple of fish! 🍞🐟
- Later, He walks on water to help His frightened disciples.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus can do amazing miracles, even with small things.
- He comes close when we're afraid.
- We can trust Him to care for us no matter what.

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 6:50** this week.
- Draw Jesus walking on water toward the boat while His disciples watch him.
- Thank Jesus for always being near when you're scared or need help. 🙏

## Lesson 40 – God Cares About Our Hearts

Read together: Mark 7:1–37

### What Happens?

- Jesus teaches that what’s inside our hearts matters more than following a bunch of religious rules.
- He helps a woman whose daughter is sick.
- He heals a man who couldn’t hear or speak.

### What Do We Learn?

- God cares more about our hearts than just our actions. 
- Jesus listens to our prayers, even when we feel small or unimportant.
- Jesus can heal and help anyone, no matter who they are.

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 7:6** this week.
- Write or draw one way to show love to Jesus from your heart.
- Pray: “Jesus, help my heart to please You.”

## Lesson 41 – Jesus Helps Us See Clearly

Read together: Mark 8:1–26

### What Happens?

- Jesus feeds another big crowd with just a little food. 🍞 🍷
- The disciples still struggle to understand who Jesus really is.
- Jesus heals a blind man—first he sees a little, and then he sees clearly! 👁️ 👁️

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus cares about our needs and provides for us.
- Our faith can grow step by step, just like the disciples.
- Jesus helps us see clearly—inside and out!

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 8:18** this week.
- Draw Jesus feeding the crowd or healing the blind man.
- Pray: “Lord, help me see You more clearly and trust You more.”

## Lesson 42 – Listen to Jesus

Read together: Mark 8:27–9:32

### What Happens?

- Peter says Jesus is the Messiah!
- Jesus tells His disciples that He will die and rise again.
- Jesus shines bright with glory on a mountain—God says, “Listen to Him!” ✨

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus is God’s chosen one, the true Messiah.
- Following Him means trusting and obeying, even when it’s hard.
- God wants us to always listen to Jesus and do what He says.

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 8:34** this week.
- Write or draw what it means to follow Jesus, even when it’s not easy.
- Pray: “Jesus, help me listen to You and follow You every day.”

## Lesson 43 – The Greatest Is the Servant

Read together: Mark 9:33–50

### What Happens?

- The disciples argue about who is the greatest.
- Jesus teaches that the greatest is the one who serves others.
- He also warns His followers to stay away from sin.

### What Do We Learn?

- To be great in God’s eyes, we must be humble and serve others.
- Jesus wants us to serve others, not try to be better than them.
- We should take sin seriously and stay close to Jesus for help.

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 9:35** this week.
- Write one way you can serve someone this week (a classmate, a family member, or neighbor).
- Pray for a heart that loves to serve like Jesus. 🙏

## Lesson 44 – Jesus Loves the Little Ones

Read together: Mark 10:1–52

### What Happens?

- Jesus teaches about marriage and blesses little children.
- A rich man walks away sad because he doesn't want to give up his stuff.
- Jesus heals a blind man who calls out to Him in faith.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus loves children and wants us to come close to Him.
- We should love Jesus more than our things.
- Faith means asking Jesus for help and trusting Him completely.

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 10:45** this week.
- Draw Jesus hugging children or healing the blind man.
- Pray: "Jesus, help me love You and trust You with all my heart." ❤️

## Lesson 45 – Jesus the Humble King

Read together: Mark 11:1–33

### What Happens?

- Jesus rides into Jerusalem like a king, and people cheer, “Hosanna!” 
- He clears the temple because people were using it the wrong way.
- Jesus teaches about faith and prayer.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus is our King, but He is a humble one who loves to serve.
- God wants our hearts to be clean and full of prayer, not selfishness.
- With real faith, we can trust God to do great things!

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 11:24** this week.
- Write or draw something you're praying for with faith.
- Pray: “Jesus, help me to trust You with all my heart.” 

## Lesson 46 – Jesus, God’s Son

Read together: Mark 12:1–27

### What Happens?

- Jesus tells a story about a farm with workers who treat the owner badly.
- The workers even hurt the owner’s son—just like people would hurt Jesus.
- Some leaders try to trick Jesus with questions, but He answers with great wisdom.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus is God’s Son, and He came to save us.
- God wants us to listen to Him and love Him with all our hearts.
- Jesus can help us understand even the hard questions in life.

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 12:10** this week.
- Draw a strong building with Jesus as the cornerstone—the most important part!
- Pray: “Thank You, Jesus, for being my firm foundation.”

## Lesson 47 – The Greatest Commandment

Read together: Mark 12:28–44

### What Happens?

- A man asks Jesus, “What is the most important commandment?”
- Jesus answers: Love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength—and love others like you love and care for yourself, also. ❤️
- Then Jesus sees a poor widow give two tiny coins. He says she gave more than everyone else, because she gave with sacrifice.

### What Do We Learn?

- The most important thing is to love God and love others.
- God looks at our hearts, not how much we have.
- Even small gifts matter when they’re given because we want to give.

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 12:30–31** this week.
- Write or draw one way you can love God and one way you can love others this week.
- Pray: “God, teach me to love like You do.” ❤️

## Lesson 48 – Be Ready for Jesus

Read together: Mark 13:1–37

### What Happens?

- Jesus talks about the future, including hard times and His return.
- He says that no one knows the day or hour when He will come back.
- Jesus tells His followers to stay ready and keep watching.

### What Do We Learn?

- One day, Jesus will come back—just like He promised!
- We should live every day like we’re ready to see Him.
- We can trust Jesus, even when life is difficult or confusing.

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 13:33** this week.
- Draw a clock and write: “Jesus is coming again!” 
- Ask God to help you live with joy, hope, and readiness.

## Lesson 49 – Jesus’ Last Supper and Arrest

Read together: Mark 14:1–72

### What Happens?

- A woman pours perfume on Jesus to show her love.
- Jesus eats His last meal with His disciples.
- Later, He prays in the garden, is arrested, and Peter denies knowing Him.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus knew what was coming, but He still chose to obey God’s plan.
- He wants us to remember His love and sacrifice.
- Even when we make mistakes, Jesus still loves us and forgives us. ❤️

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 14:36** this week.
- Write a short prayer thanking Jesus for His love and obedience.
- Remember: Jesus never stops loving you!

## Lesson 50 – Jesus Dies for Us

Read together: Mark 15:1–41

### What Happens?

- Jesus is put on trial and treated badly.
- He is nailed to a cross and dies to take the punishment for our sins.
- A Roman soldier says, “Surely this man was the Son of God!”

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus gave His life so we could be forgiven.
- His love is bigger than any sin we’ve ever done.
- The cross shows how much God truly loves us. 

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 15:39** this week.
- Draw a cross and write, “Thank You, Jesus.”
- Write out a prayer of thanks to Jesus and thank Him for dying for you.

## Lesson 51 – Jesus Is Alive!

Read together: Mark 15:42–16:8

### What Happens?

- After Jesus dies, His body is placed in a tomb.
- On Sunday morning, some women find the tomb empty!
- An angel says, “Jesus is alive!”

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus really died—but He didn’t stay dead! 🙌
- God’s power raised Him to life forever.
- We don’t have to be afraid of death because Jesus is alive forever and has all power over death!

### Let’s Practice

- Memorize **Mark 16:6** this week.
- Draw the empty tomb with the stone rolled away. 🖼️
- Say out loud: “Jesus is alive!”

## Lesson 52 – Go and Tell the Good News

Read together: Mark 16:9–20

### What Happens?

- Jesus appears to His friends after rising from the dead.
- He tells them to share the good news with everyone, everywhere.
- Jesus promises to be with them and help them always.

### What Do We Learn?

- Jesus wants us to tell others about Him.
- We don't have to do it alone—He helps us!
- The good news about Jesus is for the whole world! 

### Let's Practice

- Memorize **Mark 16:15** this week.
- Write or draw one way you can share Jesus with someone this week.
- Pray: “Jesus, help me tell others about Your love.”

## **Conclusion – You Did It!**

You finished all 52 lessons!

That means you’ve spent a whole year learning how to follow Jesus, love others, and share His story. ❤️

### **You’ve Learned:**

- Who God is and how much He loves you.
- Who Jesus is and what He’s done for you.
- How to pray, serve, forgive, and share the Gospel.

You’ve grown in faith, learned God’s Word, and practiced living like Jesus.

### **What’s Next?**

- Keep reading your Bible and talking to God every day.
- Keep loving others and serving wherever you are.
- Start helping someone else learn what you’ve learned—just like Jesus’ disciples did!

“And the things you have heard me say... entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.”

— *2 Timothy 2:2*

You are a disciple of Jesus—and now you can help others become disciples too!