

IMPORTANT Information For The Teacher...

General information...

By God's Hand is a Bible study workbook for grade 1 students. **By God's Hand** requires little reading and writing skills. Students are usually asked to color as a recognition of concepts and truths.

By God's Hand has been written from a story approach (like the Bible was written), and students are taught that God gave these narratives to us as examples of how we should live our lives today (1 Corinthians 10:6 and 11). From each story example, students are encouraged to discern Bible doctrine, develop character strengths, and exhibit traits of holiness.

The Praise Hymn lower elementary Bible series is composed of three books, **By God's Hand, On God's Side,** and **With God's Help.** Each book progresses through the Bible in survey form during one school year. The series is designed so that at the completion of grades 1, 2, and 3, the student will have had a through-the-Bible survey of the Old and New Testaments.

By God's Hand is composed of 100 workbook lessons (approximately 3 lessons per week for the entire school year), and each lesson takes about 15 to 30 minutes to complete, depending on the depth of the teacher's discussion and application time.

Each student should have his or her own workbook. This teacher's manual is necessary to teach **By God's Hand.** Student pages are reproduced in this manual and answers are written in the lesson text or on the student page reduction. The **Bible Books Compact Disc** is also recommended for use with this teacher's manual.

By God's Hand was written using the King James Version as the basis for answering all questions. New International Version, New Living Translation, English Standard Version, and New American Standard Version Bibles may also be used with virtually no adaptation. Other translations may require some adaptation.

About daily procedure...

Students should bring their workbook, pencil, and crayons to every class. If additional materials are needed, they will be listed at the beginning of the teacher's manual lesson.

Doctrinal Statement...

We believe...

- (1) ...that the entire Bible is inspired by God and is inerrant.
- (2) ...that man and the universe were created by God.
- (3) ...in the doctrine of the Trinity.
- (4) ...in the incarnation and virgin birth of Jesus Christ.
- (5) ...in the atonement for the sins of mankind through the shedding of Christ's blood on the cross.
- (6) ...in Christ's bodily resurrection from the tomb, His ascension to heaven, and His future, personal return.
- (7) ...in salvation by grace through faith alone.
- (8) ...in separation from worldliness.

Scope and Sequence for *By God's Hand*...

Creation to entry into Canaan) - Lessons 1-61
Books of the Old Testament/History of Israel Overview - Lessons 62-65
Esther - Lessons 66-67
The Birth of John the Baptist - Lessons 68-73
Disciples - Lessons 74-75
Jesus and His miracles - Lessons 76-86
Writings of Paul (Romans - 2 Corinthians) - Lessons 87-93
Books of the New Testament - Lesson 94
Old & New Testament Review - Lessons 95-96
Christmas - Lessons 97-98
Easter - Lessons 99-100