

"Finding Faith" is a 4-Week Children's Ministry Curriculum on discovering personal belief in Jesus. Every child's faith journey includes a process where the beliefs they have learned become deeply personal and meaningful to them. It's natural to question how we can be sure that God is real. This study will guide children as they explore various ways to connect with God and develop a faith of their own. Through this journey, they will discover that it is God's grace that seeks and finds them.

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Memory Verse: Luke 11:9-10

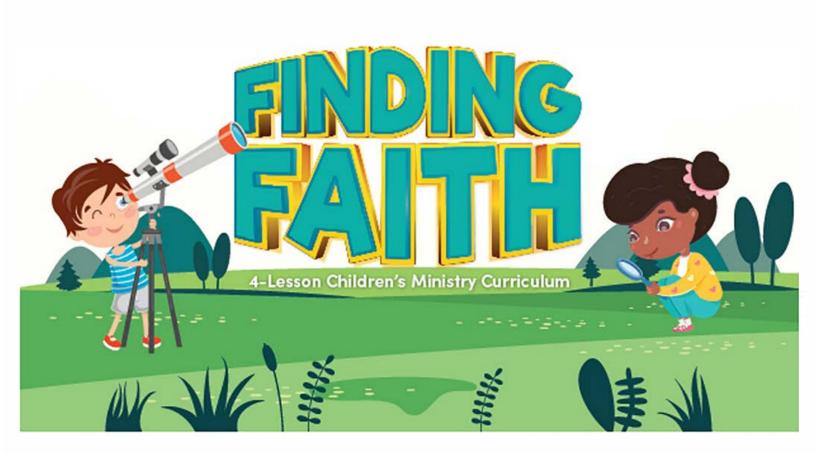
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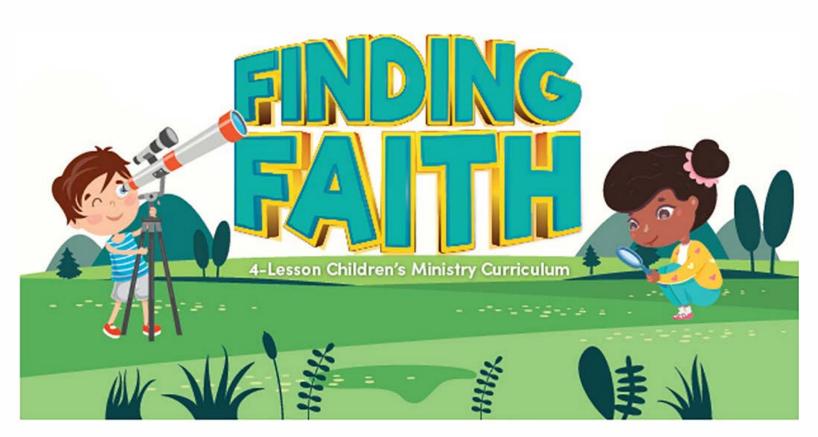


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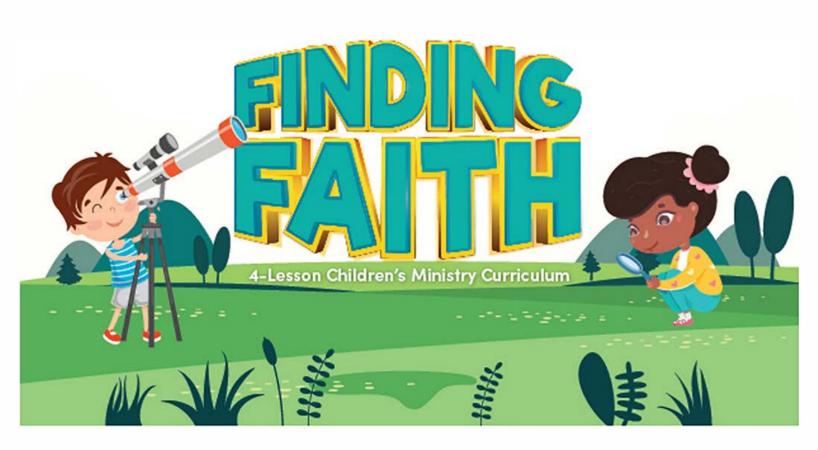
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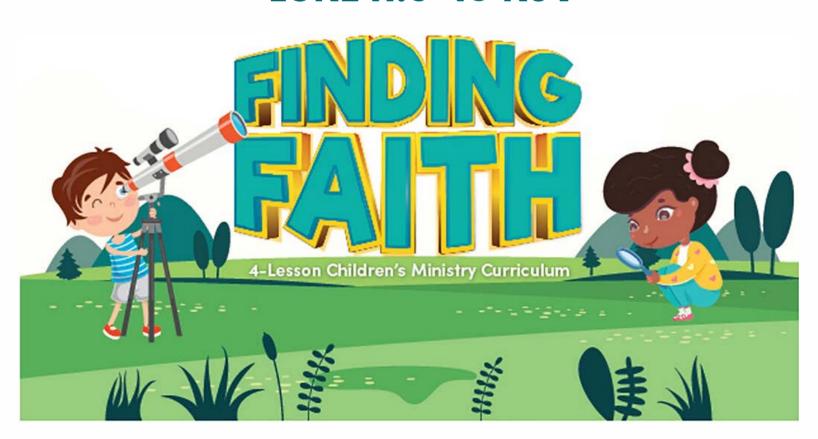
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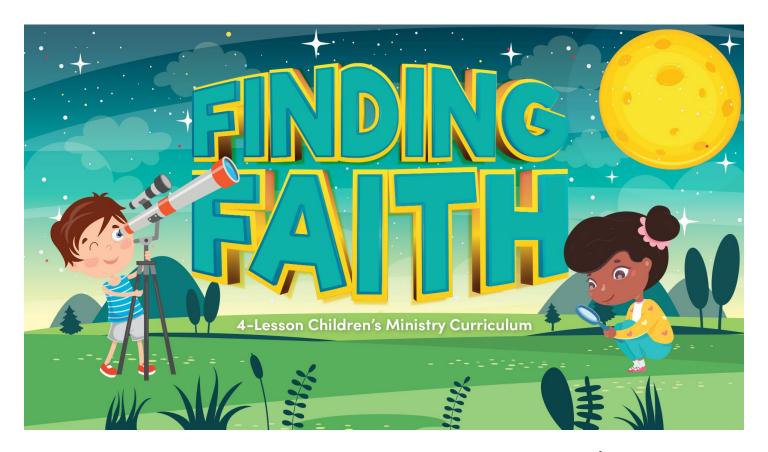
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**LUKE 11:9-10 KJV** 





Lesson 1: Start with Scripture - Hearing God's Voice through His Word. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

**Summary**: In the first lesson of our "Finding Faith" series, we will explore the importance of Scripture in our personal faith journey. The Bible is God's Word, and it is a powerful tool that He uses to communicate His love, wisdom, and guidance to us. We will discover how Scripture is God-breathed and inspired, making it essential for our growth and understanding of God's will for our lives (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

By the end of this lesson, children will recognize the importance of Scripture in their personal faith journey and be equipped with tools to help them dive deeper into God's Word. They will learn that by turning to the Bible, they can hear God's voice, strengthen their faith, and grow closer to Jesus.

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**Memory Verse Activity:** 

Memory Verse Activity: "Seek and Find" Scavenger Hunt

Memory Verse: Luke 11:9-10

Instructions:

Write individual words or phrases from the memory verse on separate pieces

of paper.

Hide the papers around the room.

Divide the children into teams and give each team a list of the words/phrases

they need to find.

The first team to find all their words/phrases and arrange them in the correct

order wins.

Be sure to create a supportive and nurturing environment. These games are not a

test but a fun way to practice the memory verse as a group. Take the time to

acknowledge their efforts and progress, and be ready to offer hints when needed.

Remember that some children might need extra assistance or a simplified version

of the memory verse to make it more accessible. Adapting to the needs of each

child is a vital part of your role as a teacher.

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**Lesson Illustration** 

Object Lesson: "The Roadmap to Faith"

Objective: To demonstrate the importance of Scripture as a guide for our faith

journey.

Materials:

A physical map (roadmap or world map)

A GPS device or smartphone with GPS/navigation app

A blindfold

Introduction:

Begin the lesson by asking the children if they have ever been on a trip or vacation.

Have them share some of their experiences. Then, explain that when we go on a

journey, we need a roadmap or a GPS device to help us find our way and reach our

destination.

Lesson:

Show the physical map to the children and explain that before GPS devices or

smartphones, people used maps to navigate their way while traveling. Maps

provide us with information about roads, landmarks, and directions to reach our

destination.

Now, show the GPS device or smartphone with the navigation app. Explain that

nowadays, most people use these devices to guide them. These devices receive

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information from satellites and help us find the quickest and easiest route to our

destination.

Ask a volunteer to come forward and put on the blindfold. Tell them that their task is

to walk from one point in the room to another without any guidance. They will likely

have difficulty completing the task or might even refuse to try, fearing they might

stumble or bump into something.

Explain that trying to navigate our faith journey without guidance is like walking

blindfolded. We might stumble, get lost, or even give up. This is where Scripture

comes in. The Bible is like our spiritual roadmap or GPS, guiding us on our faith

journey and helping us grow closer to Jesus.

Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and emphasize that the Bible is God-breathed, inspired, and

useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness. When we

read and study the Bible, we hear God's voice and receive guidance for our faith

journey.

Conclusion:

End the object lesson by encouraging children to think of the Bible as their roadmap

or GPS for their spiritual journey. Challenge them to read the Bible daily, seek God's

guidance through Scripture, and apply its teachings to their lives. Remind them that,

with the Bible as their guide, they can navigate their faith journey and grow closer to

Jesus.

Transition to Large Group Teaching.

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# **Large Group Teaching:**

This interactive lesson encourages children to actively engage with the Scripture passage, share their thoughts, and learn from one another. It helps them understand the importance of the Bible in their lives and equips them to apply its teachings as they grow in their faith.

LEADER: Hey kids, we have an exciting new lesson series called "Finding Faith" just for you! Over the next four weeks, we'll be on an amazing adventure to discover what it means to truly believe in Jesus and make that faith our very own. You might have some questions, like "How can I be sure God is real?" That's totally normal! In this series, we'll explore different ways to connect with God and learn how to grow our faith from the inside out. Together, we'll find out that it's not just about us looking for God, but it's also about how God's love and grace are always reaching out to find us. So, get ready for a fantastic journey as we dive into "Finding Faith!"

LEADER: Let's start by talking about the promise Jesus makes in our memory verse:

### **READ: Luke 11:9-10**

LEADER: This passage teaches us that when we seek God and ask Him for help, He will listen and answer our prayers. Isn't that amazing? It means that God cares about us and wants to be involved in our lives. When we have questions or need guidance, we can turn to Him in prayer, and He will be there to help us. Remember, Jesus encourages us to keep asking, seeking, and knocking because God loves us and wants to be close to us. So, let's trust in this wonderful promise and know that when we seek God, He will be there to guide and support us.

LEADER: Today, we're going to learn about an important verse from the Bible: 2 Timothy 3:16-17. Let's read it together.

### **READ: Timothy 3:16-17**

LEADER: Now, let's break it down and see what it means. The first part says, "All Scripture is God-breathed." What do you think it means when it says the Bible is "God-breathed"?

[Allow for responses]

LEADER: That's right! It means that the entire Bible is inspired by God. He used people to write down His words, and these words help us learn about God, His love, and His plans for us.

LEADER: The next part of the verse tells us that the Bible is "useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness." Can anyone think of a story in the Bible that teaches us something about God or how we should live?

[Allow for responses]

LEADER: Great examples! The Bible is full of stories and lessons that help us understand more about God and how He wants us to live our lives.

LEADER: The last part of the verse says, "so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." Why do you think it's important for us to read and learn from the Bible?

[Allow for responses]

LEADER: Exactly! The Bible helps us become better followers of Jesus. It teaches us the right way to live and shows us how to do good things that please God. When we read and study the Bible, we become better equipped to serve God and others.

LEADER: Sometimes, we may have questions about our faith or wonder how we can know that God is real. When we have questions like these, it's important to remember that the Bible is our guide for life. It's full of answers to our questions and helps us understand more about God and our relationship with Him.

LEADER: A great verse that reminds us of this is Psalm 119:105. It says, "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." This verse tells us that the Bible is like a light that guides us through life, helping us make good choices and showing us the way to follow God.

LEADER: So, when you have questions or feel unsure about something, remember to turn to the Bible. It's full of wisdom and guidance that can help you in your journey of faith.

LEADER: Now, let's take a moment to share some questions or things we might be unsure about in our faith. Remember, it's okay to have questions, and the Bible is here to help us find answers.

## [Allow for responses]

LEADER: Thank you for sharing your thoughts and questions. Let's encourage each other to look for answers in the Bible and to ask for help from our teachers, parents, and pastors when we need it. God wants us to grow in our understanding of Him and His Word, and He is always ready to help us when we seek Him.

LEADER: Let's pray together. Dear God, thank you for giving us the Bible as our guide for life. When we have questions or doubts, please help us to remember to turn to Your Word for answers and guidance. Teach us to rely on You and the wisdom of the Bible as we grow in our faith. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

LEADER: Now that we've learned about the importance of the Bible as our guide for life, let's break into small groups and discuss some questions to help us apply this lesson to our lives. You can share your thoughts and experiences with your group, and remember to listen to what others have to say as well.

**Small Group Discussion and Prayer:** 

Suggested time: 10-15 minutes

Discuss the following questions. Choose questions most appropriate for your group's age and attention level. Feel free to modify these questions or add more depending on the specific needs and interests of your group. Encourage open

discussion and active listening among the children as they share their experiences

and insights related to the lesson.

Question 1: Can you think of a time when you had a question about God or

your faith and turned to the Bible for answers? What did you learn?

Question 2: What is one way you can make reading and studying the Bible a

part of your daily routine?

Question 3: Is there a Bible verse or story that has helped you in a difficult time

or encouraged you in your faith? Share it with your group.

Question 4: How can you encourage your friends and family to read the Bible

and seek answers to their faith questions?

Take some time to share prayer requests. Then lead the kids in prayer.

Dear God,

Dear God, thank you for giving us the Bible as our guide.

Please help us to read and study it daily

so we can learn more about You

and become better followers of Jesus.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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# **Application Game**

Suggested time: 10-15 minutes

Game: "Bible Verse Scavenger Hunt"

Objective: To reinforce the lesson and help children understand the importance of turning to the Bible for guidance and answers to their questions.

### Materials:

- Index cards or pieces of paper with Bible verses written on them (use verses that provide guidance, encouragement, or answers to common questions kids might have) example verses to use:
  - o Proverbs 3:5-6
  - o Psalm 119:105
  - Matthew 7:7-8
  - o Philippians 4:6-7
  - o Isaiah 40:31
  - o 1 Peter 5:7
  - o James 1:5
  - Romans 8:28
  - Jeremiah 29:11
  - o Psalm 46:1
  - o John 14:27
  - 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- Tape or sticky tack

Preparation: Before the game, write down the Bible verses on index cards or pieces of paper and tape or stick them around the classroom in various locations. Make sure they are visible but not too obvious.

### Instructions:

- 1. Divide the children into small teams (2-4 players per team).
- 2. Explain that there are Bible verses hidden around the room and that their task is to find these verses as a team.
- 3. When a team finds a verse, they should read it aloud together and then discuss what guidance or answers the verse provides. Encourage them to think about how the verse relates to the lesson they just learned.
- 4. Set a time limit for the game (e.g., 10 minutes). The goal is for each team to find as many verses as possible within the time limit.
- 5. After the time is up, gather the children back together and ask each team to share one verse they found and how it relates to the lesson.
- 6. Close the game by reminding the children that the Bible is full of wisdom and guidance, and they should turn to it whenever they have questions or need help in their lives.

This simple and interactive game reinforces the lesson by encouraging children to search for Bible verses that provide guidance and answers. It also promotes teamwork and collaboration among the children while reminding them of the importance of turning to the Bible in their daily lives.

# **Application Craft**

Bible Bookmark

Suggested time: 10-15 minutes

### Supplies:

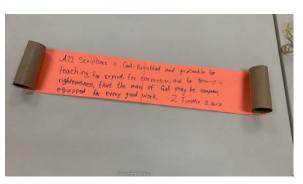
- Stickers (optional)
- Construction paper or cardstock
- Scissors
- Felt or fabric
- Hole punch
- String or ribbon
- Markers/decorative materials

### Instructions:

- Pick either construction paper, cardstock, or felt/fabric for your bookmark base.
- Cut the material into a suitable size for a bookmark.
- Use markers or other decorative materials to write or draw Bible verses or inspirational phrases on the bookmark.
- 4. If you'd like, add stickers or other embellishments to make your bookmark even more special.
- 5. Use a hole punch to create a hole at the top of the bookmark.
- 6. Thread a piece of string or ribbon through the hole and tie it to make a decorative tassel.
- 7. Enjoy using your new Bible bookmark during your daily reading!







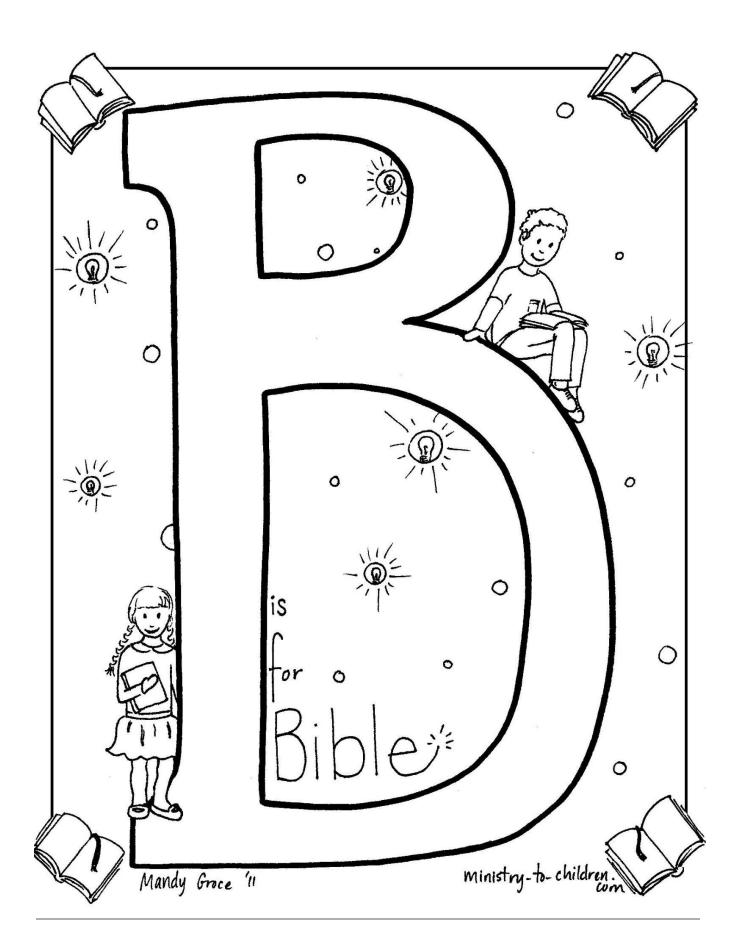
# **Bible Word Search**

ANSWERS - ASK - FAITH - FINDING - GOD - GOOD - INSPIRATION - JESUS KNOCK - PRAY - QUESTIONS - SALVATION - SCRIPTURE - SEEK - WORK

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# **Word Search Answers**

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# **A Note for Parents**

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Children can recognize the importance of Scripture in their personal faith journey and be equipped with tools to help them dive deeper into God's Word. They will learn that by turning to the Bible, they can hear God's voice, strengthen their faith, and grow closer to Jesus.

Here are some discussion questions you can use to help your child review what they learned:

- Question 1: Can you think of a time when you had a question about God or your faith and turned to the Bible for answers? What did you learn?
- Question 2: What is one way you can make reading and studying the Bible a part of your daily routine?
- Question 3: Is there a Bible verse or story that has helped you in a difficult time or encouraged you in your faith?

We encourage you to review the scriptures we discussed in today's lesson during your own family devotions. This will not only help your child remember the key points but also provide an opportunity for deeper discussions and understanding of the Bible.