

The *Glorious God, Glorious Gospel Notebook* was created to help children participate more easily in the devotional teaching. Very little writing is required so that the devotional time can progress at a reasonable rate.



### **INSTRUCT THE MIND**

Encourage your child to use the "Instruct the Mind" portion to follow along with your reading and instruction. The "Instruct the Mind" portion of the *Glorious God, Glorious Gospel Notebook* has multiple purposes:

- TO HIGHLIGHT KEY TRUTHS. For example, sometimes fill-in-the-blank verses are included to emphasize key words that convey key truths.
- TO TEACH SOME SIMPLE OBSERVATION SKILLS. Children may be instructed to circle descriptive words, underline elements of a list, answer a question about the text, etc.
- TO REINFORCE TRUTHS.

- TO KEEP CHILDREN ENGAGED with the biblical content by focusing their attention.
- TO MAKE THE TEACHING ACCESSIBLE. The text of Bible verses mentioned in the devotion is often included so the lesson can progress more quickly. Having the text printed also enables children to reread, observe, or study the text to understand it better.



### **ENGAGE THE HEART**

You may choose to use one or more of the discussion question sets during your devotional time or during the course of daily activities (e.g., riding in the car, around the supper table, before bedtime, etc.). At some point, encourage your child to write down one thought from your discussion time. This should reflect an understanding of the practical and personal implication of the biblical truth for his life.



### INFLUENCE THE WILL

After your discussion regarding the truths of the chapter, allow your child some time to think and pray about ways he can respond to God's Word. This should be a practical and attainable step your child can take. Encourage him to write that step in the box, both as a reminder and as a means of accountability. It may take your child days, or even weeks to take that step. When he follows through and takes a step of obedience, he becomes a doer of the Word rather than merely a hearer. Then, at the bottom of the page, he can write how he acted on God's Word. Encourage your child to share his response with you, and thank God together for His faithfulness in giving your child the will to act on the truth of God's Word. If you find that your child is not following through with responses to the teaching, you may need to graciously remind your child why it is important to act on the Word—to take a step of faith and obedience.

# 01 // KNOWING GOD'S WORD



Scripture is breathed out by God...

-2 TIMOTHY 3:16A

_ word of God proves	;—PROVERBS 30:5A
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, O LORD, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.—PSALM 119:89

## THE BLESSING THAT GOD'S WORD BRINGS

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; <sup>8</sup>the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;—PSALM 19:7-8

...from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.—2 TIMOTHY 3:15



Write one or more thoughts from your discussion.



What action or actions can you take this week to strengthen your determination to read the Word, memorize the Word, or trust the Word?

#### HOW I HAVE ACTED ON GOD'S WORD THIS WEEK