

## Teacher's Guide

September – November 2017

God Keeps Us Safe | God Does Big Things | Jesus Told Stories



## God Told Noah to **Build a Boat**

Bible Basis: Genesis 6:9-22

Lesson Focus: God told Noah to build a boat.

## Where Learning Happens



Set up areas for play before children arrive.

## Bible Step

#### **Talk Time**

■ Toddler/2 Creative Teaching Aids—Photo Poster 1

### **Bible Story Time**

■Genesis 6:9-22

## Bible Review Step

## **Bible Story Review Time**

■ Toddler/2 Creative Teaching Aids—Story Figures 1, 2, Story Card 1, Story Mat

#### **Music Time**

"God Kept Noah Safe" Toddler/2 Creative Teaching Aids—CD, CD player

## **Craft Step**



## 🔐 Play Dough Boat

- ■Wooden blocks from the block center, play dough for each child
- Starting Steps for Lesson 1 for Good-Bye Time

**Tip:** At the beginning of each quarter, separate the pages for Starting Steps and store them by lesson.



This symbol appears whenever preparation takes more than five minutes. A list of classroom supplies for the quarter is included on page 5.

## **Teacher Devotional**

Read Genesis 6:9-22. Building the ark was no small task, it's true. The ark was probably larger than any structure Noah had ever seen. The Bible does not say he was a skilled craftsman or carpenter. The type of flooding God described to him had never been seen on earth before. And, he was certainly no zookeeper!

But it is important to remember that Noah was a great man before he built the ark. The Bible tells us that Noah "walked with God" (vs. 9). He had fellowship with God, He obeyed Him, He followed Him.

There are little ones ready to follow in your footsteps. Your "walk" can show them some important first steps toward God. It's critical that you continue abiding, obeying, and following God.

## Understanding the Bible

We find stories of an ancient disastrous flood in most parts of the world including Europe, the Far East, the Pacific Islands, and the Western Hemisphere. The Babylonian version of a great flood is noteworthy because it resembles the Genesis account more closely than other flood stories do.

The theology and literary style, however, are considerably different between the two accounts. Perhaps, then, the best view is both accounts are about the same event. Although the Babylonian tale is a corrupted version, the Genesis account describes this historical disaster accurately.



exploring, choosing, and playing in the learning environment. The learning environment is simply the books, toys, blocks, music, stories, and activities your children interact with from the moment they arrive until they go home. While children explore and play, gather a small group to hear the Bible story from Genesis 6:9-22. You can also walk around the room, visit the children at different activities, and use the story mat to present the Bible Story Review.

This lesson is designed to allow toddlers and two year olds to play independently, freeing you to present the Bible Step, Bible Review Step, and Craft Step to individuals or small groups throughout the class time.

## Where Learning Happens

#### Table —

The table can be used for a free-play activity, snack, or the craft. For directions on setting up today's craft activity, see *Play Dough Boat in the Craft Step*, *page 10*.

#### Rug-

This is the place to gather children together for small group activities, depending on the size of your group. Invite them to the rug for the Bible Step. *Today's story is "God Told Noah to Build a Boat," from Genesis 6:9-22, page 8.* 

This is also a good place for sharing stories or movement and the Music Time. Sing "God Kept Noah Safe" this week, page 9.

#### Care Area -

Take time for each child's physical needs, including rest room breaks and diaper changes. Provide water and a snack when appropriate.

#### Books-

A choice of books to explore pictures and words. *There are many excellent books about Noah available.* 

#### Blocks-

Blocks of different sizes and shapes for building and creative play. Let children build with wooden blocks to connect with Genesis 6:9-22 where God told Noah to build a boat.

#### Toys-

A variety of toys appropriate for two year olds to encourage play. Playing with toy boats will help children understand what God told Noah to build in Genesis 6:9-22.

## **Home Living**—

Several baby dolls, blankets, play food, pots and pans, and utensils for children to imitate what they see in real life.

# When Teaching the Bible to Toddler/2s...

In today's Bible story, from Genesis 6:9-22, God told Noah to build a boat. One way two year olds can connect to the Bible story is by building with blocks. Stacking blocks is an important skill for your children to practice. It encourages hand/eye coordination which will later be used for reading and writing. The children in your class should be able to stack two to six blocks.

#### Lesson 1 Focus: God told Noah to build a boat.



## Bible Step

## Talk Time

■ Materials: Creative Teaching Aids—Photo Poster 1



Photo Poster 1

Toddlers love to look at photographs that show children. Sharing what they know about building with blocks helps them connect to the Bible story "God Told Noah to Build a Boat," from Genesis 6:9-22. Invite small groups (no more than four children) to the rug for Talk Time. Use this rhyme to help capture their attention.

Wiggle your fingers.
Pat your knees.
Fold your hands,
And look at me.

Show Photo Poster 1. Point to the girl in the picture. Here is a girl playing with blocks. What is this? Point to the hammer. What do you do with a hammer and blocks? Be prepared to do actions such as hammering, stacking, etc. Encourage children who are not yet talking to point or act out what they want to share. What do you think she is building? Encourage all children to share answers, even if it is only one word. This lets them share what they know. Today we are going to talk about how God told Noah to build a boat.

## **Bible Story Time**

■Genesis 6:9-22

Toddlers and two year olds like to "build" with any material. Today's Bible story teaches them about God telling Noah to build an ark. Have your Bible open to Genesis 6. **Our story today comes from God's special book, the Bible.** 



## **Story Questions**

Ask the following questions to review the Bible story:

- 1. What did God tell Noah to build? (A boat)
- 2. Who told Noah to build the boat? (God)

God told Noah to build a boat.

(Put fists together as if hammering.)

Build it tall, every wall.

(Stretch up tall.)

Build it wide and big inside.

(Stretch arms out wide.)

Build it strong so it lasts long!

(Flex arms to show muscles.)

Build it large. God's in charge!

(Point up.)

God told Noah to build a boat.

(Put fists together as if hammering.)

Repeat the Bible story to help the children learn and remember. You can also read this story from *The Toddler's Bible* (on the CD in your CTA packet).



## Bible Review Step

## **Bible Story Review Time**

■ Materials: Creative Teaching Aids—Story Figures 1, 2, Story Card 1, Story Mat

Touching and moving things are good ways for toddlers to learn. The children in your class aren't concerned if the same figure is used as different characters throughout the quarter. It is more important that they are able to move the figures around as you tell the Bible Review Story. This week the older man, Figure 1, will be Noah. Encourage the children to handle the figures of Noah (Figure 1) and the ark (Figure 2) as they help you retell the Bible story.

Anytime after you have done the Bible Step, you can do the Bible Review Step. Keep the small group you have at the rug or visit small groups at different activities and tell the Bible Review Story.

Before class, find a story mat to use for the stories this quarter. A small towel or blanket will work well as a story mat. Put the figures in the order you will use them. Lay Story Card 1 next to the story mat. Present the story to each small group.

Put Noah and the ark, Figures 1 and 2, on the mat. Who can find Noah? Ask a child to point to Noah. God told Noah to build a boat. Who can find the boat? Ask a child to point to the ark. Noah built the boat so that it was big and tall. Show directions with your arms. God told Noah to build a boat.

Repeat this story with each group of children, even if there's only one child.



Story Mat with Story Figures 1, 2, and Story Card 1



## **Music Time**

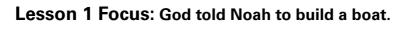
■ Materials: Creative Teaching Aids—CD, CD player

Music filled with energy and action is perfect for toddlers. They learn the way they like best—using their whole bodies and lots of energy! This song reinforces the Bible story, Genesis 6:9-22, where God told Noah to build a boat.

#### "GOD KEPT NOAH SAFE"

The complete song is track 1 on the CD in the Creative Teaching Aids packet. The words and movements can be found on page 71 of this teacher's guide. Learn the song before teaching it to your class. Knowing the actions before you teach them will help the children learn more effectively as they will try to imitate you.

Children like to sing a song over and over. Repeat the song to help your class learn the music.





## Craft Step

## Play Dough Boat

The process of doing a craft is one of the ways toddlers and two year olds learn. They discover how clay works by forming it with their hands.

Encourage each child to create more than one Play Dough Boat, as time allows. All the things your children create are treasures. You can send them all home.

**Materials:** Wooden blocks from the block center Play dough for each child



**Before Class:** If you are not using purchased play dough, make play dough according to the following recipe.

**Play Dough Recipe:** 2 c. flour, 1 c. salt, 4 T. cream of tartar, 1 pkg. unsweetened dry beverage mix for color and scent, 2 c. warm water, 2 T. cooking oil. Stir over medium heat until mixture pulls away from sides of pan to form a ball. Store in airtight container (recipe makes enough for eight children).

## **Craft Time:**

Give each child a ball of play dough. Let them play with it using their hands and blocks. After a few minutes, encourage them to make a boat with their play dough.

While the children work, talk about the Bible story from Genesis 6:9-22 when God told Noah to build a boat. God told Noah to build a boat. Noah built a boat that was tall and wide. You are building a boat too.

Let each child work with the play dough as long as he or she wants to. When a final shape is made, whether or not it looks like a boat, place it aside for that child to take home.



## **Good-Bye Time**

As they leave, tell all the children, individually, you are glad they came. As you say good-bye, ask, "Who told Noah to build a boat?" Send home the cover of Starting Steps this week. Families can enjoy the calendar activities. Send each child home with his or her very own Starting Steps. One side connects each child's family to today's lesson; the other side includes a devotional, parenting tips, and an amusing anecdote.



# Creative Teaching Aids

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## Toddler/2

## Creative Teaching Aids

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| Designed | for use with Toddler/2 Teacher's Guide and Starting Steps.  |
|----------|---|
| Lesson   | Teaching Aid  |
| All      | CD  |
| 1        | Story Figures: 1 (Older Man), 2 (Ark) Story Card 1 Photo Poster 1—Toddler Building with Blocks  |
| 2        | Story Figures: 1 (Older Man), 2 (Ark), 3 (Pair of Lions), 4 (Pair of Sheep) Story Card 2 Photo Poster 2—Toddler with Rabbit             |
| 3        | Story Figures: 1 (Older Man), 2 (Ark), 4 (Pair of Sheep) Story Card 3 Photo Poster 3—Toddlers with Parents                              |
| 4        | Story Figures: 1 (Older Man), 2 (Ark), 5 (Rainbow)<br>Story Card 4<br>Photo Poster 4—Toddler and a Rainbow                              |
| 5        | Story Figures: 1 (Older Man), 6 (Boy), 7 (Man), 8 (Woman), 9 (Wall of Water)<br>Story Card 5<br>Photo Poster 5—Toddler Playing in Water |
| 6        | Story Figures: 7 (Man), 10 (Trumpet) Story Card 6 Photo Poster 6—Toddlers with Horns  |
| 7        | Story Figures: 6 (Boy), 11 (Giant) Story Card 7 Photo Poster 7—Toddler with a Tall Person   |
| 8        | Story Figures: 3 (Pair of Lions), 12 (Kneeling Man) Story Card 8 Photo Poster 8—Toddler with a Picture of a Lion                        |
| 9        | Story Figures: 12 (Kneeling Man), 13 (Big Fish)<br>Story Card 9<br>Photo Poster 9—Toddler in a Boat                                     |
| 10       | Story Figures: 1 (Older Man), 7 (Man), 14 (Jesus), 15 (House)<br>Story Card 10<br>Photo Poster 10—Toddlers with Rocks and Sand          |
| 11       | Story Figures: 1 (Older Man), 7 (Man), 14 (Jesus)<br>Story Card 11<br>Photo Poster 11—Toddler with Daddy                                |
| 12       | Story Figures: 4 (Pair of Sheep), 7 (Man), 14 (Jesus), 16 (Single Sheep)<br>Story Card 12<br>Photo Poster 12—Toddler with a Sheep       |
| 13       | Story Figures: 8 (Woman), 14 (Jesus), 17 (Group of Coins), 18 (Single Coin) Story Card 13 Photo Poster 13—Toddler with Money            |

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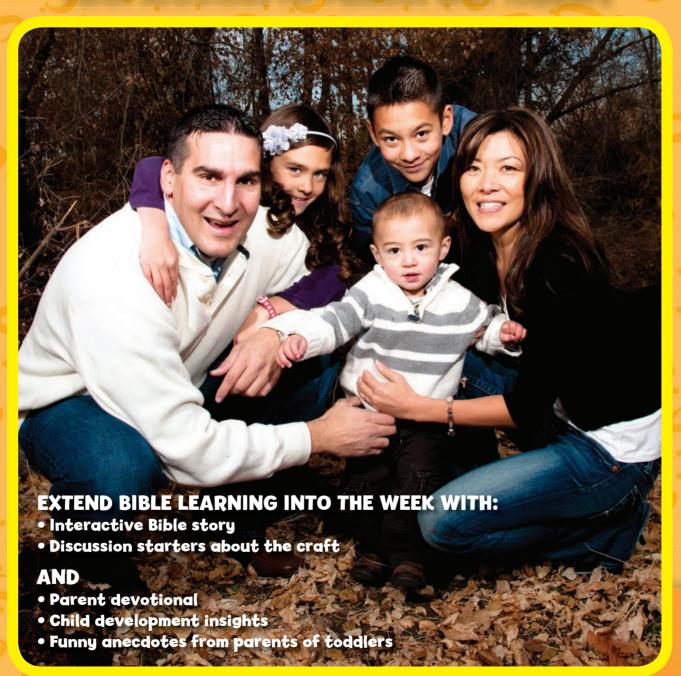
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# Starting Steps

Faith Activities for Families with Toddlers





Dear Toddler Family

Even at this young age, your child is able to learn many things about God and His love! Each week you will receive a page from *Starting Steps* to help extend your child's Bible learning into the week. On one side is an encouraging devotional just for you, child development insights, and funny anecdotes from other parents of toddlers. On the other side, you'll find an interactive Bible story and discussion starters about the craft.

## September

#### **God Keeps Us Safe**

During the month of September, your child will hear how God kept Noah safe from the flood. The calendar gives you activities to do with your child which extend the Bible story throughout the week. You may want to save a few of your child's craft projects throughout the quarter as keepsakes of his or her toddler art.

## October

### **God Does Big Things**

These October lessons will show your child miraculous ways God worked in the Bible. Your child will hear about how God pushed back the Red Sea; the way God made the walls of Jericho fall down; when David fought Goliath; how God saved Daniel from the lions; and the time God saved Jonah with a big fish. You and your child can use the activities on the calendar to extend the Bible story throughout the week.

## November

#### **Jesus Told Stories**

November finishes the quarter with a look at some of the parables of Jesus in a way that your child can understand. The parables covered are: the story of two builders, the story of the good Samaritan, the story of the lost sheep, and the story of the lost coin. The calendar gives you and your child activities to do which extend the Bible story throughout the week.

| Sun                                   | Mon | Tue                          | Wed                                 | Thu                   | Fri                           | Sat |
|---------------------------------------|-----|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----|
|                                       |     |                              |                                     |                       | 1                             | 2   |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 4   | Read the Bible story.        | 6                                   | 7                     | Build "boats"<br>with blocks. | 9   |
| Starting Steps sent home today.       | 11  | Read books<br>about animals. | 13                                  | Read the Bible story. | 15                            | 16  |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 18  | 19                           | Read the Bible story.               | 21                    | Play in water.                | 23  |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 25  | 26                           | Look through colored tissue papers. | 28                    | Read the Bible story.         | 30  |

| Sun                                   | Mon | Tue                                       | Wed  | Thu                           | Fri | Sat |
|---------------------------------------|-----|---|--|-------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Starting Steps sent home today.       | 2   | Push blocks<br>to learn about<br>pushing. | 4  | Read the Bible story.         | 6   | 7   |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 9   | Read the Bible story.                     | 11   | 12                            | 13  | 14  |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 16  | Read the Bible story.                     | 18   | March and play<br>a toy horn. | 20  | 21  |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 23  | Read the Bible story.                     | Look at books<br>sh <mark>owing</mark> b <mark>ig and</mark><br>litt <mark>le things.</mark> | 26                            | 27  | 28  |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 30  | Pretend to be lions.                      |  |                               |     |     |

| Sun                                   | Mon                   | Tue                   | Wed                                  | Thu             | Fri                                      | Sat |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|-----|
|                                       |                       |                       | 1                                    | 2               | 3  | 4   |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 6                     | Read the Bible story. | 8                                    | Play with sand. | 10                                       | 11  |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | 13                    | 14                    | Read the Bible story.                | 16              | Put a bandage<br>on a stuffed<br>animal. | 18  |
| Starting Steps sent home today.       | 20                    | 21                    | Look for a<br>hidden stuffed<br>toy. | 23              | Read the Bible story.                    | 25  |
| Starting Steps<br>sent home<br>today. | Read the Bible story. | 28                    | Play with water.                     | 30              |  |     |

# Sterting Steps



## At This Age

Two year olds think in terms of the present, not the past or the future. Your child may not remember what happened yesterday, not to mention what he or she learned previously in Sunday school. Here are a few tips to help keep Sunday school part of your child's "present" time frame:

- Read the Bible story together several times during the week as well as doing the calendar activities sent home today.
- Talk with your child about how the craft was made in Sunday school.
- Shortly before dropping your child off at Sunday school, talk about the teacher and the different activities that will happen.

## Faith Activities for Families with Toddlers

Starting Steps is for families to use at home. It encourages you in your faith-journey and parenting. Use the ideas here and on the Starting Steps calendar throughout the week to extend and reinforce what your child learned.

## Time with God

As you teach your two year old to obey rules or learn to be safe in a certain place, you may often hear the word "No!" Two year olds are learning to see themselves as independent people. Unfortunately, this can be draining and frustrating.

God will give you strength as you help your child become an independent person. Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians says:

May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance.

—2 Thessalonians 3:5

Know that you have the strength you need to face the day.

## **Toddler Tickler**

## A Long Haul

My 2 ½-year-old son, who is not potty trained, filled his diaper a few minutes after I'd checked him. When I discovered it, I asked him how long it had been there. He replied, "Forty days and forty nights."

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# Time with your Toddler

## God Told Noah to Build a Boat

based on Genesis 6:9-22

Today your child heard the Bible story "God Told Noah to Build a Boat." Read the story from here and Bible storybooks many times—toddlers like and need repetition to learn.

### God told Noah to build a boat.

(Put fists together as if hammering.)

"Build it tall, every wall." (Stretch up tall.)

"Build it wide and big inside." (Stretch arms out wide.)

"Build it strong so it lasts long!" (Flex arms to show muscles.)

"Build it large. God's in charge!" (Point up.)

God told Noah to build a boat.

(Put fists together as if hammering.)

These questions can be used to help your child review the Bible story.

- 1. What did God tell Noah to build? (A boat)
- 2. Who told Noah to build the boat? (God)







Today your child made a boat shape with play dough. As you talk with your child about her masterpiece, one question you could ask is "How did the play dough feel?" If left out, the play dough will harden in about 24 hours.



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|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|                                     | SEPTEMBER  | DECEMBER   | MARCH  | JUNE   |
| TODDLER/2<br>2 YEAR CYCLE           | This Is the Bible Tell Me About God God's Helpers Genesis, Exodus, 1 Kings, Esther, Psalms, Jeremiah, Habakkuk, Luke, John, Acts, 2 Timothy, 2 Peter, 1 John | Hello, Baby Jesus!<br>God Loves Me<br>What Did Jesus Do?<br>1 Samuel, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Romans  | Jesus Did Good Things<br>Jesus Is Alive!<br>We Love God<br>1 Samuel, Psalms, Matthew, Mark, John, Acts,<br>Philippians   | God Made All Things<br>God Gives Us Good Things<br>Thank You, God<br>Genesis, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes,<br>Luke, John, Hebrews, 1 John  |
| PRESCHOOL<br>2 YEAR CYCLE           | We Are Important to Jesus<br>Jesus Helps Us<br>God Made the World<br>Genesis, Psalms, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John  | God Sent His Son, Jesus<br>God Made Us<br>We Worship God Together<br>Genesis, 1 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Job, Psalms,<br>Proverbs, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts | Jesus Shows His Love<br>Jesus' Friends Show His Love<br>Jesus' Friends Help Others<br>Matthew, Luke, John, Acts, 2 Timothy   | God Takes Care of Us God Wants Us to Care for Others Jesus Cares for Everyone Genesis, 2 Samuel, 2 Kings, Psalms, Mark, Luke, John   |
| EARLY<br>ELEMENTARY<br>2 YEAR CYCLE | We Are Important to Jesus<br>Jesus Helps Us<br>God Made the World<br>Genesis, Psalms, Song of Songs, Amos, Matthew,<br>Mark, Luke, John                      | God Sent His Son, Jesus<br>God Made Us<br>We Worship God Together<br>Genesis, 1 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Nehemiah,<br>Psalms, Luke, Matthew                        | Jesus Shows His Love<br>Jesus' Friends Show His Love<br>Jesus' Friends Help Others<br>Matthew, Luke, John, Acts, 2 Timothy   | God Takes Care of Us God wants Us to Care for Others Jesus Cares for Everyone Genesis, Exodus, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, Matthew, Luke, John   |
| ELEMENTARY<br>3 YEAR CYCLE          | Escaping Egypt<br>God Delivers Us<br>Following God with Courage<br>Exodus, Numbers, Joshua   | God's Plan<br>Who Jesus Is<br>What Jesus Said<br>Judges, Isaiah, Micah, Matthew, Luke, John  | Final Days of Jesus<br>Jesus Conquers Death<br>How Believers Live<br>Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Romans   | Rules to Live By Who God Is Living Out Our Faith Genesis, Exodus, Ruth, 1 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Nehemiah, Proverbs, Isaiah, Matthew, Luke, Ephesians  |
| UPPER<br>ELEMENTARY<br>3 YEAR CYCLE | Escaping Egypt<br>God Delivers Us<br>Following God with Courage<br>Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Joshua  | God's Plan<br>Who Jesus Is<br>What Jesus Said<br>Judges, Matthew, Luke, John, Galatians  | Final Days of Jesus<br>Jesus Conquers Death<br>How Believers Live<br>Psalms, Matthew, John, Acts, 2 Peter  | Rules to Live By<br>Who God Is<br>Living Out Our Faith<br>Exodus, Isaiah, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John,<br>Acts, Ephesians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy,<br>Philemon, 3 John   |
| SCHOOL<br>3 YEAR CYCLE              | Escaping Egypt<br>God Delivers Us<br>Following God with Courage<br>Exodus, Numbers, Joshua, Judges, Ruth,<br>John, Hebrews                                   | God's Plan<br>Who Jesus Is<br>What Jesus Said<br>2 Samuel, Isaiah, Micah, Malachi, Matthew,<br>Mark, Luke, John  | Final Days of Jesus<br>Jesus Conquers Death<br>How Believers Live<br>Matthew, John, Acts, 1 Corinthians  | Rules to Live By<br>Who God Is<br>Living Out Our Faith<br>Exodus, Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts,<br>Romans, Philippians, 2 Peter   |
| HIGH<br>SCHOOL<br>3 YEAR CYCLE      | Escaping Egypt God Delivers Us Following God with Courage Joshua, Judges, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, Amos, Jonah, Luke, John, Acts, 1 Corinthians, Hebrews | God's Plan<br>Who Jesus Is<br>What Jesus Said<br>Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Hebrews  | Final Days of Jesus Jesus Conquers Death How Believers Live Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Ephesians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 1 John | Rules to Live By Who God Is Living Out Our Faith Genesis, Exodus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Psalms, Malachi, Matthew, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Colossians, 1 Peter, Hebrews, 1 John |
| ADULT<br>(ISSL)<br>6 YEAR CYCLE     | The Sovereignty of God<br>(Studies in Isaiah, Hebrews, Revelation)   | Creation: A Divine Cycle<br>(Studies in Psalms, Luke, Galatians)   | <b>God Loves Us</b><br>(Studies in Psalms, Joel , Jonah, John, Romans,<br>Ephesians, 1 John)   | <b>God's Urgent Call</b><br>(Studies in Exodus, Judges, Isaiah, Jeremiah,<br>Ezekiel, Amos, Acts)  |
| ADULT<br>(UTB)<br>8 YEAR CYCLE      | <b>The Church</b> (Acts)   | <b>In the Beginning</b><br>(Genesis)   | While We're Waiting<br>(1&2 Thessalonians, Jude)   | <b>God's Fierce Love</b><br>(Joel, Jonah, Amos, Hosea, Micah)  |

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|                                     | SEPTEMBER  | DECEMBER  | MARCH   | JUNE  |
| TODDLER/2<br>2 YEAR CYCLE           | God Keeps Us Safe<br>God Does Big Things<br>Jesus Told Stories<br>Genesis, Exodus, Joshua, 1 Samuel, Daniel,<br>Jonah, Matthew, Luke                               | Jesus Is Born<br>Jesus Grew<br>This Is Jesus!<br>Matthew, Mark, Luke, John  | God Gives Us<br>Jesus Is Special<br>God Made the World<br>Genesis Exodus, 1 Samuel, Matthew, Mark,<br>Luke, Romans  | God Loves Families God Made Us At Church Genesis, Ruth, 1 Samuel, Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Mark, Acts, 2 Corinthians, Ephesians, Colossians   |
| PRESCHOOL<br>2 YEAR CYCLE           | God Gives Us Families<br>God Gives Us Friends<br>God Gives Us the Church<br>Genesis, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Kings, Matthew,<br>Mark, Luke, John, Acts                   | Jesus Is God's Son<br>God's Son Grew Up<br>Jesus Did Good Things<br>Deuteronomy, Matthew, Luke  | God's Special Son<br>God's Wonderful World<br>God Meets Our Needs<br>Genesis, Exodus, Numbers, Deuteronomy,<br>1 Samuel, Psalms, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs,<br>Matthew, John, Hebrews | God Loves Us We Love God We Love Others Genesis, Exodus, Deuteronomy, 1 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Nehemiah, Matthew, Luke  |
| EARLY<br>ELEMENTARY<br>2 YEAR CYCLE | God Gives Us Families<br>God Gives Us Friends<br>God Gives Us the Church<br>Exodus, Ruth, Mark, Luke, John, Acts   | Jesus Is God's Son<br>God's Son Grew Up<br>Jesus Did Good Things<br>Matthew, Mark, Luke, John   | God's Special Son<br>God's Wonderful World<br>God Meets Our Needs<br>Genesis, Exodus, 1 Samuel, 2 Kings, Psalms,<br>Matthew, John, Hebrews  | God Loves Us We Love God We Love Others Genesis, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, Psalms, Jonah, Matthew, Mark, Luke, Acts, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians   |
| ELEMENTARY<br>3 YEAR CYCLE          | Good and Bad Choices Taking a Stand for God Following Wisdom 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, Nehemiah, Matthew, Hebrews   | Willing to Serve<br>Ready to Serve<br>Power to Serve<br>Mark, Luke, Acts, Romans, 2 Corinthians,<br>Ephesians, Philippians, 2 Timothy | A Time for Decision A Time for Concern A Time for Courage 1 Kings, 2 Kings, Ezra, Daniel  | Our Heavenly Father My Family My Church Family Genesis, 1 Samuel, 1 Chronicles, Daniel, Ezra, Matthew, Luke, John, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, 2 Corinthians, Ephesians   |
| UPPER<br>ELEMENTARY<br>3 YEAR CYCLE | Good and Bad Choices Taking a Stand for God Following Wisdom 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Psalms                                       | Willing to Serve<br>Ready to Serve<br>Power to Serve<br>Matthew, Luke, Acts, Romans, Ephesians,<br>Philippians, 2 Timothy, 1 John     | A Time for Decision<br>A Time for Concern<br>A Time for Courage<br>1 Kings, 2 Kings, Ezra, Esther, Daniel,<br>Amos, Jonah   | Our Heavenly Father My Family My Church Family Genesis, Exodus, 1 Samuel, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Daniel, John, Acts, 2 Corinthilans  |
| MIDDLE<br>SCHOOL<br>3 YEAR CYCLE    | Good and Bad Choices<br>Taking a Stand for God<br>Following Wisdom<br>1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings,<br>2 Chronicles, Nehemiah, Daniel, Malachi,<br>Hebrews | Willing to Serve<br>Ready to Serve<br>Power to Serve<br>Acts, Galatians, Philippians, 1 Thessalonians,<br>2 Timothy, Titus, 2 Peter   | A Time for Decision<br>A Time for Concern<br>A Time for Courage<br>Esther, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea,<br>Amos, Micah   | Our Heavenly Father My Family My Church Family Deuteronomy, Joshua, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Job, Psalms, Provertos, Isaiah, Matthew, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Hebrews, 1 Peter, 2 John |
| HIGH<br>SCHOOL<br>3YEAR CYCLE       | Good and Bad Choices<br>Taking a Stand for God<br>Following Wisdom<br>Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, James   | Willing to Serve<br>Ready to Serve<br>Power to Serve<br>Acts, 1 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians,<br>Revelation                      | A Time for Decision<br>A Time for Concern<br>A Time for Courage<br>Esther, Nehemiah, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel,<br>Hosea, Amos, Micah, Ephesians, James, 1 Peter                         | Our Heavenly Father My Family My Church Family Deuteronomy, Nehemiah, Psalms, Matthew, Luke, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, 2 Timothy, James, 1 John, Revelation  |
| ADULT<br>(ISSL)<br>6 YEAR CYCLE     | Covenant with God (Studies in Genesis, Exodus, Numbers, 1 & 2 Samuel, Nehemiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, 1 Corinthians, Titus, Hebrews)                                  | Faith in Action<br>(Studies in Daniel, Matthew, Acts, Ephesians,<br>Colossians, 1 Timothy, James)                                     | Acknowledging God (Studies in Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, 2 Chronicles, Psalms, Luke, John, 2 Corinthians, Hebrews, Revelation)   | Justice in the New Testament<br>(Studies in Matthew, Luke, Romans,<br>2 Corinthians, Colossians)  |
| ADULT<br>(UTB)<br>8 YEAR CYCLE      | Good News for All<br>(Luke)  | Finding True Freedom<br>(Exodus)  | Being the Best for Christ<br>(1 Corinthians)  | Setting Boundaries for Living<br>(Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy)  |