

ELEMENTARY 2 YEAR 2 BOOK 2

PREPARING FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

INTRODUCTION

The main objectives for this quarter are:

- To introduce to students the concept of the church.
- To go in-depth about prayer and teach students several important prayers in the Bible.
- To emphasize to students that we are in the end times, and that it is important to be prepared.

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MEMORY VERSES

1. "And the continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." (Acts 2:42)
2. "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you." (John 15:12)
3. "Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)
4. "Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving." (Colossians 4:2)
5. "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God." (Philippians 4:6)
6. "For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses." (Matthew 6:14-15)
7. "Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us." (1 John 5:14)
8. "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4:16)
9. "Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man." (Luke 21:36)
10. "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming." (Matthew 25:13)
11. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me." (Revelation 3:20)
12. "Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (Luke 12:40)

MEMORY VERSE FLASH CARDS

Instructions

1. Make copies of the memory verse flash cards for the students at the beginning of each quarter.
2. Cut out each memory verse and create a set for each student.
3. Notify each student's parents that our goal is to have students use these flash cards daily to help commit the verses to memory. Each day, their parents should remind them to review the verse and memorize it. By the end of the week, they will have the verse imprinted in their memory and heart. These steps are repeated for each memory verse.
4. Distribute the memory verse flash cards to the students.

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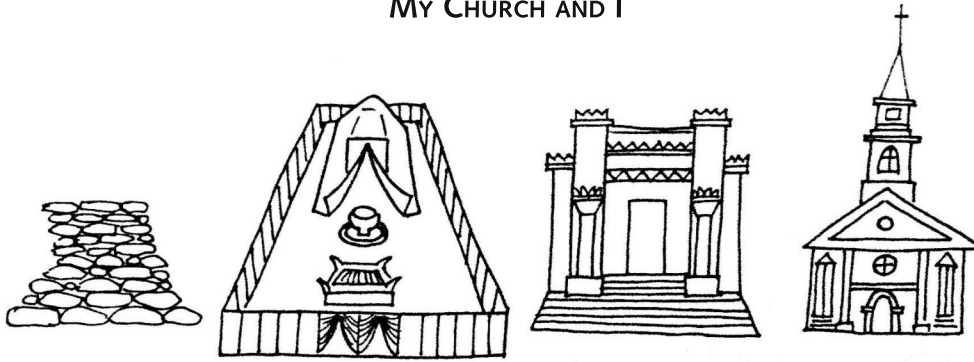
LESSON 1

MY CHURCH AND I

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: My Church and I
- Life Application Worksheet #1: Fellowship
- Life Application Worksheet #2: We Can Help the Church
- Life Application Worksheet #3: Testimony "The Blessings of Fellowship"
- Homework

MY CHURCH AND I



Practices of the Early Church

Open your Bibles to Acts 2:44-47 and try to list all of the practices of the early church members in the box below.

What "Church" Means for Us Today

Look up the following verses and write them below.

1 Corinthians 12:12

Romans 12:5

Matthew 12:49-50

Ministers of the Early Church

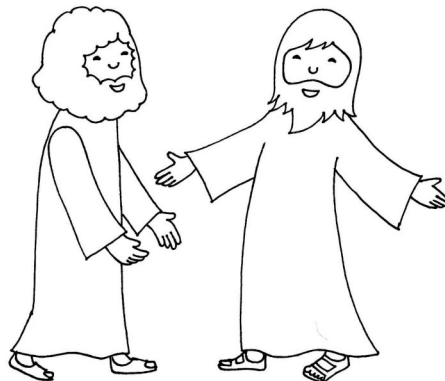
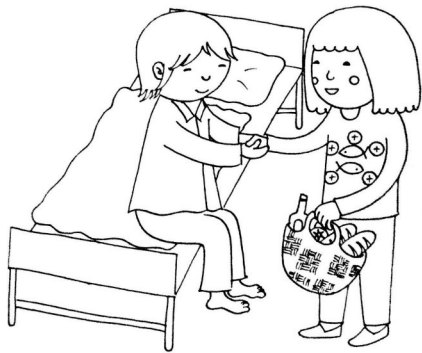
What kinds of responsibilities did Timothy have as a pastor? Turn to the following verses and write them down.

- 1 Timothy 1:3-4; 6:20 _____
- 1 Timothy 1:18 _____
- 2 Timothy 1:6 _____
- 2 Timothy 2:2; 4:2 _____
- 2 Timothy 2:3 _____
- 2 Timothy 4:5 _____

Ministers in Our Church Today

- 1. Pastors also need to be _____ of the _____, to _____ the _____ of the _____ by _____ them with spiritual food.

- 2. Some of a minister's duties consist of _____, _____ the _____, _____ and _____, and also _____ God's _____.



FELLOWSHIP

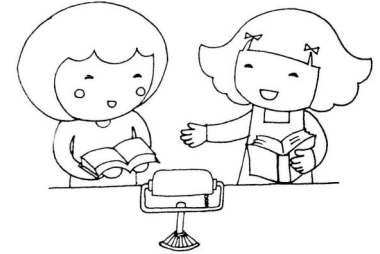
1. God uses the analogy of a body to describe the relationship believers have with one another and with Jesus Christ. But who is the head of the body?

Colossians 1:18 says, "_____ is the head of the body."

2. Each believer is given different but equally important responsibilities in this spiritual body, the church. Let's read 1 Corinthians 12:14-27.

a. Who gave the members their various functions? (v. 18)

b. What bad attitudes can lead to disharmony in the body of Christ? (vv. 15-16, 21)



c. Why are there no unnecessary functions (members) in the body? (v. 20-22)

3. "Fellowship" is from the Greek word koinonia, which means, "sharing in common." So what kinds of things can we share, and with whom? Pair up with a friend or two and come up with some things that we can share, and with whom we can share these things. Then, draw what you came up with in the boxes below.

WE CAN HELP THE CHURCH

Even though we are young, what we do makes a difference! As Paul encouraged Timothy, "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity."

Instructions: Read the following scenarios and write down what you would do in that scenario.



Scenario #1

Haley went to church on Saturday. After the morning sermon, a church council member announced that there was a family visiting from another state. One of the kids in the family was around the same age as Haley. After the announcement, Haley went to get lunch. In the lunch line, she noticed that the visiting family was right behind her in the line.

If you were Haley, what would you do next as part of a church that shows love?



Scenario #2

After RE class ends, Billy sees some E1 students playing tag around the church. To avoid getting tagged, some of the kids are running pretty quickly. Billy sees one of the E1 students knock down some pencils and books from a table.

If you were Billy, what would you do next to help the church?

TESTIMONY: THE BLESSINGS OF FELLOWSHIP

There was a brother who moved to a new area. Moving to a new area was a big challenge. He had to adapt to a new school, new friends, and a whole new environment.

Thank God, in that area there was a strong fellowship. They had a prayer meeting every Wednesday night, when the members would come together to share about their week and their prayer requests, then pray for thirty minutes. From these prayers, he felt that there was something in this fellowship that he couldn't find in any other group or club—a family in Christ.



During the year, he faced a difficult trial. He felt pressure to conform to what his school friends were doing. There were other friends who would listen to his concerns, but he didn't feel like they had the heart to sympathize. However, when he brought this up to the fellowship, he finally felt that there were people who sincerely cared about his situation. They offered him words of encouragement from their own experiences, which he cherished. But it was their willingness to pray for him that really touched his heart.

How many people are there who honestly intercede on your behalf to the heavenly Father when you go to them with an issue? All the words and ideas in the world can only do so much, but truly it is only prayer that can bring about a resolution. Through the prayer and support in this fellowship, he received the strength from God to overcome the trial he was facing. From that point on, he felt the spiritual peace and confidence to stand strong in front of his school friends.

Questions to Think About

1. How did the fellowship impact this brother's life?
2. What do you think his life would have been like if he had not joined this fellowship?
3. Do you have a fellowship in your area? Please share what it's like.

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 1—My Church and I

Homework Assignment

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Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Acts 2:42)**

True or False

1. Jesus' disciples were gathered in Jerusalem when the Holy Spirit descended. _____
2. With the help of the Holy Spirit, five thousand people were baptized on the Day of Pentecost. _____

Short Answer

3. Name three things the early believers did together.

4. What are two ways the Bible describes the church?

5. What does "pastor" mean? Who is the flock?

6. How does the Bible first describe Timothy?

7. Name two duties of our church ministers today.

LESSON 2

I CAN HELP MY CHURCH

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: I Can Help My Church
- Life Application Worksheet #1: Testimony "Helping One Another"
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Love in Speech and Action
- Homework

I CAN HELP MY CHURCH

Today, people have many different definitions of love. Most of these come from the illustrations of love found in television shows, movies, advertisements, magazines, and perhaps from personal experiences. However, not many people turn to the Scriptures, which also speak to us directly about love. It tells us what love is, and how we may demonstrate it.

Discussion Questions

1. What is the world's concept of love? Consider movies or books that you have seen or read.
2. What do you think genuine love is?
3. How do the two loves differ? Read the paragraphs below, and then reconsider this question.

When we think about love as defined by the world, we often associate it with physical relationships, desires, or even simply having a strong liking for something.

The Bible, on the other hand, defines love differently. The original language of the New Testament, Greek, uses the word agape, which means God's love, or sacrificial love. Agape is love that is of and from God, whose very nature is love itself. The apostle John affirms this in 1 John 4:8, where he says that "God is love." God does not merely love us; He is love in and of itself.

Since God is love, everything God does is a result of this. But it is important to remember that God's love is not a sentimental love that we often see or hear portrayed. God loves us because that is His very nature and the expression of His being. God's love is displayed most clearly at the cross. Romans 5:8 says, "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." He did not give His life because we did anything to deserve it. This is agape.

Love According to the Bible

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 gives us some of the characteristics of biblical love. Turn to the passage, read it, and then fill in the chart below.

WHAT LOVE IS

WHAT LOVE IS NOT

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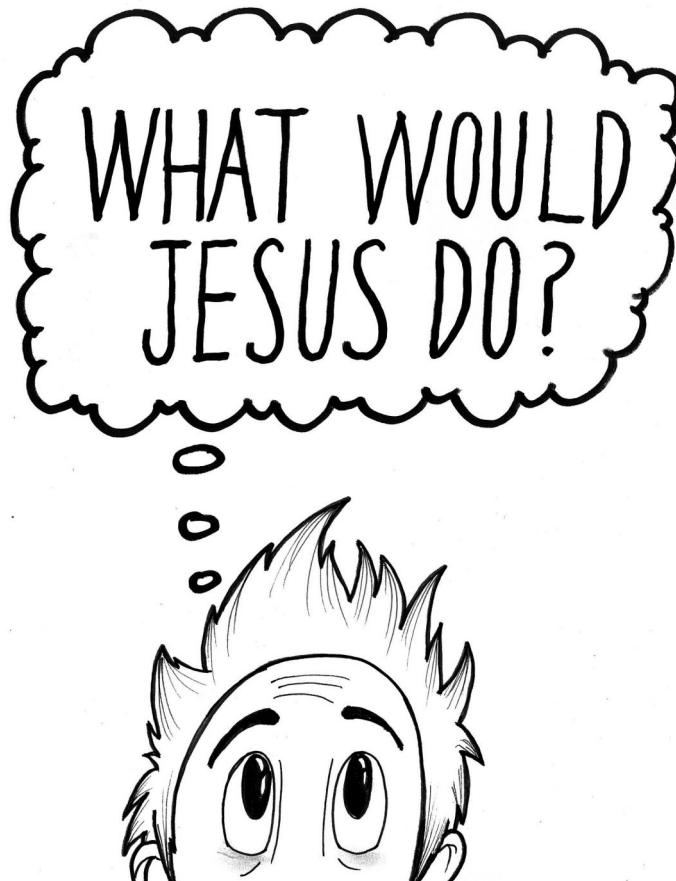
Based on this passage, what are one or two major conclusions you can make about love?

Next, turn to 1 John 4:8-21 and discuss the following questions.

1. What important teaching about God did you read in v. 8?
2. What has God done to demonstrate His love for us?
3. What should our response to God's love be? (vv. 11, 19)

Lastly, turn to John 13:34-35 and discuss the following questions.

1. What is sure evidence that you are follower of Christ?
2. Why do you think Jesus placed such emphasis on demonstrating love?



TESTIMONY: HELPING ONE ANOTHER

There was once a sister, whom we'll call Mary in this story. Mary had not attended church for a very long time. She had been going through some difficult things in life, and had become very distant from God, feeling as though He was very far away from her. Mary also felt very lonely—she felt that she didn't have many friends, and that no one seemed to care about her. Her heart was miserable, and she felt lonesome.

One day, a couple of church members came to visit Mary to talk with her. They were worried about her because she wasn't attending church anymore, so they came to her house to chat and make sure she was okay. While they were sitting and talking, one of the visiting members got up and starting bustling about in the kitchen.



She came out a few minutes later with a cup of tea and handed it to Mary. As soon as she handed it over, Mary began to cry. She had spent so long feeling sad and lonely that she was touched by the simple act of this church member taking the time to make her a cup of tea. Even though it was such a small gesture, for someone like Mary whose heart was in pain, it meant the whole world that someone cared enough to do something nice for her.

After the visit, Mary began to attend church again. God opened her heart to experience the love of the brothers and sisters around her, and because of this, she was able to see God's love. She was finally able to feel joy.

From this testimony, we can see that doing something nice for someone doesn't have to be something big, such as buying an expensive gift or walking a thousand miles! If we have the love of God in our hearts, even the smallest things that we do have a greater impact than we could ever imagine! Think of the little boy who came to Jesus with five loaves of bread and two fish—that was just his tiny little lunch, but Jesus was able to turn that tiny little lunch into a feast that fed five thousand people!! This just goes to show that God has the power to turn tiny acts of kindness into giant acts that can touch many hearts, as long as we act with faith!

How Can I Help Others?

List different ways you can do the following actions.

- A . Look out for brothers and sisters in need.

- B. Follow the example Jesus set.

- C. Practice small acts of kindness.

How Can I Share God's Word?

Be kind to everyone you meet.

LOVE IN SPEECH AND ACTION

Read Colossians 4:6 and rewrite the verse in your own words.

With the help of the Spirit, we can speak gracious and loving words. What can the right words do?

Prov. 12:25 _____

Prov. 15:23 _____

Prov. 16:24 _____

Prov. 23:16 _____

Love is not merely a feeling, but an act of will. It can only be known by the actions it produces. What are some practical ways you can personally demonstrate love in action towards the following people? Discuss with each other, and then write down some ideas that you plan to try.

1. My parents
2. My siblings
3. My friends at school
4. Church members
5. Others (neighbors, relatives, etc.)



I'm going to try to demonstrate my godly love to _____ by...

I'm going to try to demonstrate my godly love to _____ by...

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E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 2—I Can Help My Church

Homework Assignment

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Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

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What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(John 15:12)**

1. Look up Luke 10:27 and write down the verse.

2. In the Book of James, what does it mean when it says faith without works is dead?

3. Fill In the Blank: When Moses held his staff high up, Israel began to _____ the battle, and when he lowered it, the Amalekites began to _____.

4. When Moses' arms became tired from holding the staff up, who came to his side to support his hands?

5. List at least 4 ways you can help your church that you've learned from class.

6. _____ : God did not give His life because we did anything to deserve it. What kind of love is this?
 - a. Human love
 - b. Parental love
 - c. God's unfailing love: agape

7. Why do you think Jesus placed such emphasis on demonstrating love? Write down one thing that you can do this week to help:
 - a. Your parents _____
 - b. Your friends _____

LESSON 3

SEEK TO DO GOD'S WILL, AND BE THANKFUL AT ALL TIMES

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: My Day as a Leper
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Seek to do God's Will
- Life Application Worksheet #1, Pages 1 and 2: Putting God's Will First
- Life Application Worksheet #2, Pages 1 and 2: Submit to God's Will
- Activity Worksheet: Song of Thanksgiving
- Homework

MY DAYS AS A LEPER

ENTRY A

Today, I was brought to the priest because of a bright spot on my skin. People thought that it could be a _____ sore (Lev 13:2). It is _____ on the skin and does not appear to be _____ than my skin, and its hair is not white (13:4). To be safe, the priest is isolating me for _____ days (13:4). He said that he would check on me again after seven days and then decide if I am unclean. I am so worried! Leprosy is a scary disease; it's painful and disfiguring. It gets worse and worse as the sores spread all over the body until the person dies. I don't want to be a leper!



Entry B

Today is the seventh day since I got isolated and the priest came to examine me. Since the bright spot has not gotten any better, he decided to keep me isolated for another _____ days (13:5). I am starting to have a bad feeling about this... If the spot is just a scab, it should have healed by now. I really miss my family, and I want to go home!

Entry C

Two days have passed, and I feel hopeless. The hair on my bright spot has turned _____, and the sore appears to be _____ than my skin (13:3). It also has spread to other parts of my skin. I know already that this is leprosy. In five more days, the priest will come and pronounce me _____ (13:3) and keep me isolated for as long as my leprosy lasts. What should I do? I can only wait to die—to die in pain and loneliness.



Entry D

It's been a month since I was first isolated. There are nine other men here who also have leprosy. Even though they are all _____ and I am the only _____, they don't seem to care. The loneliness and despair of being lepers binds us all together in spite of prejudices. Anyhow, I really miss my family. I am so afraid that I will never see them again, not to mention I want to hug my wife and children so much. Still, even if I could see them, I wouldn't be able to stand close to them because leprosy is extremely contagious. I am afraid my children won't recognize me anymore because of these sores that have spread all over my body. Leprosy is taking away everything from me—my family, my health, my happiness, my future, and my life! There is no hope in my life anymore.



Entry E

I am home with my family right now as I am writing this diary entry... I have been healed from _____! I'll never forget this day. God is so good to me; He gave me the opportunity to meet _____ who healed me, as well as the other _____ lepers. At first, we weren't exactly sure why He wanted us to go to the _____, but as we began to walk towards the village, we began to feel the difference on our skin. I then knew that He had healed us! I ran back to _____ Jesus and fell on His feet to say _____. Words could not express how grateful I was, and I wanted to thank Him personally (Lk 17:11-19). If God didn't give me the chance to meet _____; if He wasn't so merciful and kind; if He didn't stop and help me... I would be waiting to die without any hope! I'm so glad to be with my family right now, and I won't take God's healing for granted. I will be kind to others just as He was to me. May all the glory be unto Jesus' name!



SEEK TO DO GOD'S WILL

Pretend that you are saying the prayers below. Which answer would you expect God to give each of your prayers—"Yes," "No," or "Wait"? Circle which answer you think God would give, and explain why.



a. Help me obey my parents.

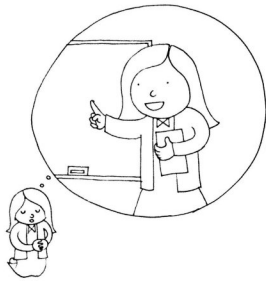
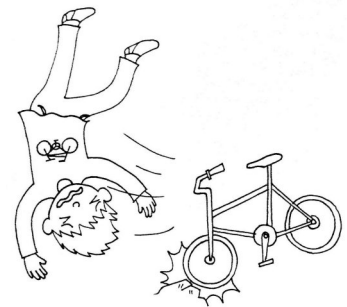
God's answer: Yes No Wait

Why would God answer in this way? _____

b. Make that mean Patrick fall off his bike and get hurt.

God's answer: Yes No Wait

Why would God answer in this way? _____



c. Let me be a teacher in church.

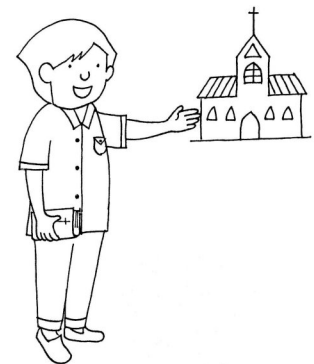
God's answer: Yes No Wait

Why would God answer in this way? _____

d. Help me invite my friends to church.

God's answer: Yes No Wait

Why would God answer in this way? _____



e. Don't let my mom find out that I told a lie.

God's answer: Yes No Wait

Why would God answer in this way? _____

SCENARIO: PUTTING GOD'S WILL FIRST

Stephanie was especially happy to go to school one day. This was going to be her day to shine. She was supposed to play the flute in front of the whole school. "Wow!" She thought blissfully. "I still can't believe that Mr. Pollack wanted me to do a solo performance in front of the whole school!" Stephanie remembered how thrilled she was when Mr. Pollack, the band instructor, told her that she would be performing for the whole school during a special student gathering. The mayor of the city was visiting the school and Mr. Pollack decided that Stephanie would perform. Stephanie knew what a big deal it would be to have the mayor come to the performance!



The whole event was scheduled to take place after lunchtime. During lunch, as Stephanie was practicing her flute, a group of fellow band members gathered around to listen to her. Stephanie started to get nervous. "Do you guys mind? I'm trying to practice here!" As Stephanie grew more and more panicked, she started playing a few notes off key. Then, Maria came up to Stephanie. Maria was Stephanie's substitute; she would play if Stephanie became sick or couldn't make it to school for the performance. Maria and Stephanie were close friends. Maria came to wish Stephanie the best, but Stephanie thought she was coming to make fun of her. "Don't even say anything, Maria. I know what you think, but I'm not going to do badly in the most important performance of my life! I'm going to shine!" Maria thought Stephanie was talking a bit weirdly ever since Mr. Pollack had asked her to perform, but now she understood that Stephanie was just under a lot of pressure. "Why are you saying that, Stephanie? I just came to wish you the best before your performance." Stephanie stormed off shouting, "I can do without your wishes, Ms. Perfection! I just know that God is going to help me. I have been praying this whole week! Now all of you just leave me alone!"

Stephanie found a quiet place in the schoolyard and began to cry uncontrollably. Why did she act that way to her friends? There was no reason for her to be so mean. After all, Stephanie was sure God would help her in the performance. But then, why did she feel so badly? Was it because she skipped two Sabbaths to practice her flute? "No, it couldn't be that," thought Stephanie.

Soon, the big moment had arrived. The mayor was probably ten feet away from Stephanie. The principle announced to the whole school that Stephanie was going to perform. Everyone clapped and then there was silence. Stephanie began to get nervous again. She whispered, "God, You better have listened to all my prayers," as she stepped on stage. Stephanie began to play the flute beautifully. People clapped loudly during the performance. But near the end, she blew one note too hard and made a funny noise. A few people began to laugh. Stephanie didn't find it so funny, and she made more mistakes.

That day, Stephanie went home an extremely sad girl. She had finished the performance with a messy ending. Stephanie thought to herself. "Why did I make such a fool out of myself? Why did God let this happen to me?" The more Stephanie thought about her humiliation, the angrier she became. She began to blame God and cried. When Stephanie's mother came home, she saw the tears all over Stephanie's face. "What's wrong?" She asked Stephanie. All of a sudden, Stephanie burst into tears. "God never helps me when I need Him. I prayed for a whole week for today's performance." Stephanie's mother replied, "Stephanie, of course God loves you! Now calm down and think about it. Do you remember when I told you that God didn't want you to skip the Sabbath because of this performance? Maybe God wanted you to learn something from this experience!"



As Stephanie wiped away her tears, she understood what her mother meant. "I've been under too much pressure and I let that get in the way of my faith. I put too much emphasis on my own success and not enough attention on obeying God's commandments." Her mother agreed, "You're totally right. God, in His wisdom, sometimes allows us to be laid low so that we do not come to trust too much in our own abilities. We are prone to rely too heavily on ourselves and on our own ability to work things out the way we want them to go. When we are successful, we tend to forget God and take the credit for ourselves." Suddenly, Stephanie brightened up. She said, "I understand now! If God didn't love me, He wouldn't have given me this humbling experience. He didn't want me to lose sight of Him because of my own pride." Stephanie's mom nodded and chuckled at Stephanie's happy face. She said to Stephanie, "Lesson learned! Sometimes, God allows us to make mistakes and feel discouraged, but only because He wants us to grow through these bad experiences. He is always there for us when we turn back to Him. He wants to restore us and help us get back on track."

In the end, Stephanie learned that God's grace is enough in all situations. In one of her prayers, Stephanie asked for God's forgiveness for all the things she said. Suddenly, Stephanie felt the Holy Spirit come down upon her powerfully. Stephanie was happy in the joy of the Lord.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why did Stephanie get so angry with everybody? What do you think she was thinking about?**

- 2. Stephanie prayed all week for God to bless her even though it seems that He didn't bless her. Why do you think things happened like they did?**

- 3. Do you ever feel like God isn't listening to your prayers? Share an experience. How can we always be thankful to God in all situations?**

SUBMIT TO GOD'S WILL

Christians often wonder what God wants them to do concerning their desires and plans. It seems as though God's will is hidden in a buried treasure chest, and we have only small portions of the map to find its location. But is this true? In the Scriptures, we have all the guidance we need in order to live for Jesus Christ. God wants us to follow Him so that He can lead us step by step.

Reference Verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Scenario: Lisa and her family moved to another state because of her father's new job. Lisa was having a tough time adjusting to her new school, and she missed her friends from her old school terribly. Even though Lisa didn't understand God's purpose for her to go through such a difficult change, Lisa remained joyful and prayed continually, giving thanks to God every day for keeping her family together safe and sound.



God has a perfect will for us. Even though at times we cannot see or understand it, we believe that with continuous _____, God will reveal it to us in His timing. Therefore, we should always be _____ and give _____ to God in all circumstances.

*This is today's memory verse.

Reference Verse: Ephesians 5:17

Scenario: Jorge was really tempted during the exam to glance at Jeremy's last answer since it was the only answer of which he was unsure. Jorge really wanted to get all the answers right. He said a silent prayer to ask God to help him overcome his temptation. As Jorge realized that true wisdom is not reflected on his exam but on his decision to be honest, his urge to glance at Jeremy's answer disappeared. Jorge gave thanks to God.



We know that true wisdom from God allows us to understand and submit to God's will. It is _____ to choose our own path rather than follow God's directions. We should always pray for God's _____ so that we may understand His plan and perfect will for us.

Reference Verse: Romans 12:2

Scenario: Sophie's uncle served some fruit after dinner. Knowing that he was a fervent Buddhist, Sophie bravely asked her uncle if the fruit being served had been used for worshipping. Not surprisingly, he replied yes. Sophie politely rejected the fruit and explained to her uncle that she was a Christian. Surprised at Sophie's faith, her uncle began to find out more about God from Sophie.



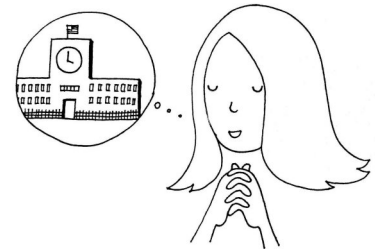
To say "no" to someone is not always easy. It may strain the relationship, at least for a while. It may hurt. We may seem rude.

Friends may even exclude us. However, there are times when we

have to firmly say "no." A very good example for us today is that of Daniel's three friends: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. The king, Nebuchadnezzar, had built a golden statue and wanted all his subjects to bow down to it. Everyone in the country was doing it. But, these three youths knew that they should not conform to the _____. They refused to bow down to the statue, even at the risk of their lives. Their bravery to defy the king was _____ and _____ and in accordance with the perfect _____ of God. In the end, although they were thrown into a fiery furnace for holding on to their faith, God delivered them and they walked out of the furnace unscathed.

Reference Verse: Proverbs 3:5-6

Scenario: Natalie's parents couldn't afford to send her to a private school even though Natalie was so sure that she would have a much better learning experience there than in a public school. However, Natalie acknowledged that God had a perfect plan for her and that she should always rely on God. She knew that she needed to let Him guide her paths instead of leaning on her own understanding. She prayed that God could give her faith to trust in Him with all her heart.



We don't know our future, but if we _____ in the Lord with all our _____, we can rest assured, knowing that He will Himself _____ all our paths. The key is to _____ Him in all we do and believe that His will, even at times beyond our own _____, is the best for us.

After this lesson, how would you change the way you pray?

_____’s Song of Thanksgiving

I thank the Lord for _____,
for _____ and _____.

My heart is filled with joy and praise,
Because He guides my way.

Thank you, Lord, for _____;

Thank you, Lord, for _____;

Thank you, Lord, for _____;

Thy will is always the best for me.

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 3—Seek to Do God's Will, and Be Thankful at All Times

Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)**

Fill In the Blank

1. When the ten lepers saw Jesus passing by, they lifted up their voices and said, " _____, _____, _____!" (Luke 17:13)
2. One of the lepers, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and _____, _____. He was a _____. (Luke 17:15-16)
3. Paul pleaded with the Lord _____ times that his affliction might depart from him. And God said to him, "My _____ is sufficient for you, for My _____ is made perfect in weakness." (2 Corinthians 12:8-9)

Multiple Choice

4. ____: When the lepers realized that they were healed, they _____.
 - a. Thanked Jesus immediately
 - b. Went towards the village immediately so that they could show themselves to the priests
 - c. Asked Jesus from where His power had come
5. ____: Before God answered Paul's prayer, Paul prayed that _____ concerning his affliction.
 - a. God's will be done
 - b. He could glorify God with his physical suffering
 - c. God take away his pain
6. ____: God did not heal Paul because _____.
 - a. His will was for Paul to endure his pain and glorify His name through his suffering
 - b. Paul sinned against God before by persecuting Christians
 - c. It was not His timing yet

LESSON 4

WHAT IS PRAYER?

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: Understanding Prayer
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: God's Love and Prayer
- Homework

UNDERSTANDING PRAYER

PASSAGES	TYPE OF PRAYER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exodus 15:2 • Exodus 15:11 • Deuteronomy 10:21 • Hebrews 13:15 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Chronicles 16:7-10 • Ephesians 5:19-20 • Psalm 100:4-5 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Chronicles 21:17 • Nehemiah 1:4-6 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Philippians 4:6 • 1 Samuel 1:11 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genesis 18:23-25 • Exodus 32:11-14 	

GOD'S LOVE AND POWER

Hallelujah, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ I would like to testify about our family's experiences of God's great love and power.

Stricken Suddenly by a Rare and Life-threatening Disease

In June 1991, my 14-year old daughter Grace suddenly felt tired and became pale. Since she had always been healthy and rarely fell ill, I was surprised by her condition and took her to see the doctor. The doctor found that her blood count was dangerously low and he immediately transferred her to the state medical center for further tests. The test results showed that Grace had aplastic anemia. This is a rare disease that occurs mostly in young people between the ages of 15 to 30. Even though medical science has attributed the major causes of this disease to chemicals, radiation and viruses, in over 80% of the cases, the exact cause cannot be identified. This disease suppresses or even completely stops the production of red blood cells in the bone marrow, creating severe anemia. This disease is not cancer, but the decreasing red cells in the blood makes it equally, if not more, life-threatening. The doctor explained that although treatment was available, its effectiveness in children was much lower than in adults (approximately 10% to 20% versus 50% respectively).

A Bone Marrow Transplant Was Needed

Nevertheless, Grace remained in the medical center for treatment and the doctor told us that the outcome would be known within two to three weeks. At the same time, a bone marrow match test was conducted on my family members and close relatives in preparation for a bone marrow transplant in the event that the treatment failed. A bone marrow transplant is one of the most expensive and painful medical operations, requiring six months of painful recuperation. At the medical center, Grace's blood had to be extracted daily to test for her response to the treatment, but six weeks later, her condition did not improve. We even consulted the world's leading medical authority in this field, but he could only give us a 50% transplant success rate.

The Calling of God's Love and Mercy

Since Grace had always been very healthy, we believed that her illness might have come with God's goodwill to call us back to Him and to His church. When I came to study in the US, our church had not been established yet. Even now the nearest church is three states away from where we live. So during my stay in the US, I had not been regularly attending church services. In addition, although from time to time we had Bible studies and prayers at home, the rest of my family members had yet to receive baptism and become part of God's family. This in itself was a transgression against God's love and glory. We knew God is love and would forgive us if we sincerely and deeply repented of our transgressions. So during Grace's illness, we prayed long and hard to God daily for His forgiveness, and my family members resolved to receive baptism in His holy name. At the same time we also asked our relatives and church members to pray for us.

Fasting Prayers and the Brethren's Love

At this time, a church minister invited us to attend the forthcoming youth and spiritual convocation in our church in Elizabeth, New Jersey. Through the help and arrangement of our ministers and relatives, we were able to attend despite the doctors' reservations on Grace's condition. At the convocation, we were deeply touched to learn that during the two weeks preceding our arrival, the church had been fasting and praying for us. With so many loving brothers' and sisters' intercession, we believed God would answer their prayers of faith and love. Not only did God not reject us, we also received showers of blessings beyond our greatest expectations. My wife received the most precious Holy Spirit during the first day of fasting prayer. On the second day Grace also received the Holy Spirit. The night before my family was baptized, many church members remained in church after the evening evangelical service to pray beyond midnight for the baptism. During the baptism, both my wife and Grace saw the vision of the blood of Jesus Christ. After the baptism, the paleness in Grace's face and the coldness in her hands disappeared.

Miracle

We had to return to Mississippi the morning following baptism because Grace still needed weekly transfusions of blood at the medical center. From the airport, we went directly to the medical center for the pre-scheduled test. Miraculously, Grace's blood count actually increased! God had restored her bone marrow's normal production of red blood cells. Having seen God's power, our faith grew stronger and Grace stopped taking the prescribed medicine. Instead, we relied on praying harder every day, knowing that many brothers and sisters in Christ were doing the same. We continued with our morning fasting prayer for three months. Thank God, Grace's blood count continued to increase and now she has completely recovered.

By the love of God, during these past five years, Grace has been leading a healthy life filled with physical activities. She has also participated in numerous spiritual convocations and seminars, and visited many churches in Taiwan and Hong Kong. She is currently pursuing her university education at Georgetown University in Washington D.C.

God—the Greatest Physician

Though we had a belief in God in the past, through Grace's illness we have experienced Him. From this extraordinary incident, there are several points deeply felt by us that we would like to share:

- Our God is the sole source of life. He is also the greatest physician. He created not only all life in the universe, but every cell in our body. Only He has the absolute power and authority to heal all diseases and restore health and life. Believing in Him is the foundation and the beginning of all healing (Jn 11:25; Mt 8:14-16, 9:35).
- Deep and earnest prayer is the foundation of our daily faith and spiritual strength.
- The greatness of God's love and power is beyond human comprehension. If we come to Him with a repentant heart and a sincere, humble faith, He will eventually shower His mercy and grace upon us (Mt 7:7; Lk 15:17-32).
- Our health, peace and achievement come from His blessing. Without it, humans labor in vain. The world's knowledge, wealth and fame are temporary and cannot help when real trouble comes. God and our life of faith are most fundamental and should take priority over everything else (Mt 6:33; Ps 127:1).

May all glory, power, and praise be given to our Lord forever. Amen.

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Life Application/Discussion Questions

1. What did the church members do to show their love to this family?

2. What types of prayer did the church members offer?

3. Why are intercessory prayers so effective?



E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 4—What Is Prayer?

Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(1 John 5:14)**

Understanding Prayer

Instructions: In this lesson, we learned about five different types of prayer. Please write down a prayer for each type of prayer listed below.

1. Praise

2. Thanksgiving

3. Confession

4. Petition

5. Intercession

LESSON 5

THE LORD'S PRAYER (PART 1)

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: The Lord's Prayer (Part 1)
- Life Application Worksheet: A Father and His Children
- Activity #1: "Praying Hands" Handout
- Activity #2: In My Own Words
- Homework

THE LORD'S PRAYER (PART 1)

Write the Lord's Prayer below and highlight the main words of each line.



Summary	Bible Verses
<p><i>Our Father in heaven,</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • • 	
<p><i>Hallowed be Your name.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • 	
<p><i>Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • 	
<p><i>Give us this day our daily bread.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • 	

Bible Detectives

Compare the two passages below and circle parts that are the same and underline what you think is different.

<p>"For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. In this manner, therefore, pray:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Matthew 6:8-11)</p>	<p>"'Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.' So He said to them, 'When you pray, say:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. Give us day by day day our daily bread.'"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Luke 11:1-3)</p>
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A Father and His Children

“In the name of Jesus, I pray...”

Write a prayer in your own words to God, making sure to include all the teachings you have learned from the Lord's Prayer.

<p>Our Father in heaven,</p> <p>Hallowed be Your name.</p> <p>Your kingdom come.</p> <p>Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.</p> <p>Give us this day our daily bread.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Amen.</p>
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In My Own Words

Referring to Matthew 6:9-11, write the first half of the Lord's Prayer below.

Our Father in heaven,

Hallowed be Your name.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.



E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 5—The Lord's Prayer (Part 1)

Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Philippians 4:6)**

Putting the Lord's Prayer into Practice

Either at church or at home, ask brothers, sisters, parents, siblings, or relatives to give you a testimony of one time when they made a prayer from one of the four categories listed below. Write down the main points of their testimony and what you learned from it.

Seeking God's care and love as a heavenly Father...
Our Father in heaven.

Asking God for His power to change a weakness in their lives...
Hallowed be Your name.

Understanding God's plan for a specific part of their life....
Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Thanking God for providing something in their life...
Give us this day our daily bread.

LESSON 6

THE LORD'S PRAYER (PART 2)

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet

Page 1: The Lord's Prayer (Part 2)

Page 2: Bible Diggers

- Life Application Worksheet #1: Forgiveness
- Life Application Worksheet #2, Pages 1 and 2: How God Will Help Me
- Homework



THE LORD'S PRAYER (PART 2)

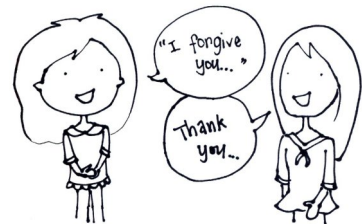
*And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.*

For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen.

Summary	Bible Verses
<p><i>And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • 	
<p><i>And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • • 	
<p><i>For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • 	

Bible Professors



Please write the definition for the following words.

<p>Debt</p>	<p>Forgiveness</p>
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Bible Diggers

Who is the debtor? Who needs forgiveness?

Matthew 18:21-35

1. The king and the servant

- a. How much did the servant owe the king?

- b. How much is that in today's terms?

- c. How was the servant going to have to pay back the king?

2. The servant and his fellow servant

- a. How much did his fellow servant owe him?

- b. How much is that in today's terms?

- c. How did the king punish the servant for his lack of forgiveness?

3. God and I

- a. What do I owe God today?

- b. Can I ever repay Him?

- c. Name some examples of people I have to forgive.

Forgiveness

"As we forgive our debtors..."



At School	At Church	At Home	In my heart...

I forgive my debtors... help pray for me that God may forgive me.

How God Will Help Me




God will always listen to our prayers, but we need to know when we need His help and do our best to seek Him when we are in trouble!

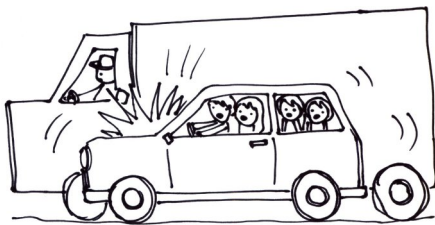




In the following situations, match the student's trouble with a relevant Bible verse. Then, below it, tell them how God will help them by writing one of the four teachings:

1. God forgives me and I must forgive others.
2. God will help me to do what is right.
3. God will protect me from evil.
4. God is in control, and He has the power.

Bible Verses

- 1 John 4:19-20
- Acts 20:33
- Psalm 42:11
- 1 John 4:3-4
- Proverbs 11:1
- Psalm 91:11-12
- Colossians 3:13

Scenario	Bible Verse
<p>Jim heard some ghost stories from his friends at school. He was worried about being in the dark, thinking that Satan and his demons would harm him. So, he prayed to God and memorized a verse about God's prayer to recite when he was scared.</p> <p>Teaching:</p>	
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 10px;"> <p>Judy's younger sister tore the sleeve of her favorite dress when trying it on. Judy was furious with her sister. She prayed to God until her heart calmed down and remembered that loving her sister was more important than the dress.</p> <p>Teaching:</p> </div> </div>	
<p>Sean's mom was very late when picking him up from school, causing him to miss soccer practice. Sean didn't want to even look at his mom. Then, he remembered all the other times his mom had come early, even bringing a snack for him to eat before practice. Sean prayed to God to forgive him and thanked his mom for picking him up even though she was so busy.</p> <p>Teaching:</p>	

	Scenario	Bible Verse
	<p>Tracy's family was driving down a busy, icy road one cold night when a truck zoomed past and bumped into their car. Their car started to spin out of control. Not knowing what else to do, Tracy's whole family screamed, "Hallelujah!" and their car stopped at the side of the road without hitting any other cars.</p> <p>Teaching:</p>	
<p>Jason found a \$50 bill on the ground at school. There was a new game that he really wanted that cost the same price. But Jason knew that this wasn't his money. He prayed to God to help him overcome this desire and handed the money to his teacher.</p> <p>Teaching:</p>		
	<p>Harry's dad lost his job. So, Harry and his parents prayed every day that God would help his dad find another job. Thankfully, his dad found a job that was even better than the last one!</p> <p>Teaching:</p>	
<p>Carrie was awkwardly taller than the other girls at school. They often made fun of her and called her names. She always felt sad until her RE teacher encouraged her to pray to God every time she felt hurt by the words and to remember hymns that would cheer her up so the evil teasing wouldn't hurt her. Eventually, the words didn't hurt her anymore, so the other students got bored and stopped calling her names. This is one way we, as children of God, can be free from verbal bullying.</p> <p>Teaching:</p>		
	<p>Jamie's friends wanted to share answers to the test. But Jamie didn't want to cheat, so she prayed to God to give her the courage to be honest. With God's help, she was able to refuse to share her answers.</p> <p>Teaching:</p>	

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 6—The Lord's Prayer (Part 2)

Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Matthew 6:14-15)**

The Lord's Prayer – from the Bible

Think of one Bible character that lived a life as illustrated in the phrase. (E.g., "Give us this day our daily bread" – The widow from Zarephath and Elijah.) Answer the following questions for each of them:

1. What is/was their name(s)?
2. How did they live out this line of the Lord's Prayer?
3. How can I imitate their lives today? (Be specific!)

"Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors."

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

"Do not lead us into temptation."

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

"But deliver us from the evil one."

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

"For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen."

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Tackling Temptation

Think of what Jesus would want you to do in each of these scenarios. Answer how God can give you the strength to tackle and overcome this temptation!

1. Sometimes, I am tempted to copy someone else's homework answers.

God can give me strength to...

2. Sometimes, I am tempted to pretend I'm sick to stay home from church and play games.

God can give me strength to...



3. Sometimes, I am tempted to take a candy bar even though my parents said, "No."

God can give me strength to...

4. Sometimes, I am tempted to make fun of someone in school who is different.

God can give me strength to...



5. Sometimes, I am tempted to use bad language when I'm angry.

God can give me strength to...

6. Sometimes, I am tempted to blame my siblings when I get into trouble with my parents.

God can give me strength to...

7. Sometimes, I am tempted to laugh when someone is being teased.

God can give me strength to...



8. Sometimes, I am tempted to watch a TV show Mom said not to watch.

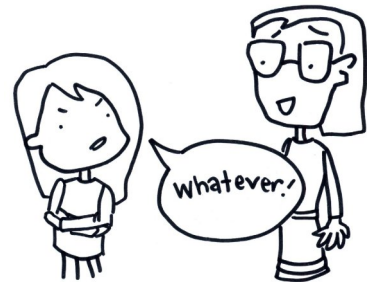
God can give me strength to...

9. Sometimes, I am tempted to hide my toys and dirty laundry under my bed when Dad says to clean up.

God can give me strength to...

10. Sometimes, I am tempted to be rude to my teacher or church members.

God can give me strength to...



11. Sometimes, I am tempted to lie to my RE teachers and say I've forgotten my workbook when I didn't do my homework.

God can give me strength to...

12. Sometimes, I am tempted to tell my parents I need the computer to do my assignment when I'm really playing Internet games.

God can give me strength to...



LESSON 7

FOUR GREAT PRAYERS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: Four Great Prayers in the Old Testament (Part 1)
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Four Great Prayers in the Old Testament (Part 2)
- Life Application Worksheet #1, Pages 1 and 2: Prayer Works
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Keeping Up with Prayer
- Homework

FOUR GREAT PRAYERS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT (PART 1)

Fill in the blanks as you go through the lesson.

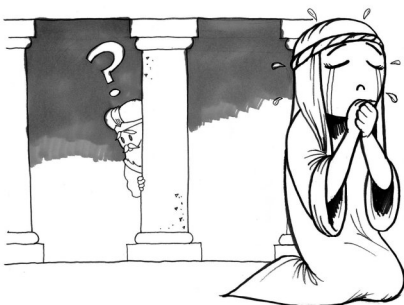


1. Jacob's prayer for mercy from Esau (Gen 32:3-12)

When Jacob prayed to God, he told Him that he was not worthy of the least of all God's _____. He also asked God, "_____ me, I pray, from the hand of my brother Esau" because he was very afraid, and knew that only God could help him.

2. Moses' prayer in affliction (Num 11:4-25)

When the Israelites complained, Moses was very displeased with them and asked God, "Why have You _____ Your servant?" In response, God directed Moses to take seventy elders. He told Moses that He would place His _____—the same that was in Moses—upon them to empower them so that they could also share Moses' burdens.



3. Hannah's prayer for a son (1 Sam 1-2:11)

When Hannah prayed to the Lord, it was because she was feeling great _____. Her voice was heard by God, because later, after her desperate prayer, the Lord _____ her and gave her a son, just as she had requested.

4. Solomon's prayer for wisdom (1 Kgs 3:4-15)

When God asked Solomon what He should give to him, Solomon prayed for an _____ heart so that he could rule God's people. Solomon's humble request _____ the Lord so much that He not only gave Solomon understanding, He also gave him great wisdom so that many people from around the world came to meet Solomon and speak with him.



FOUR GREAT PRAYERS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT (PART 2)

The four prayers we learned about today were each a different type of prayer. In the boxes below, write down the biblical definition of the word listed in the first column, and then write what could have happened to each of the people if they had not prayed to God.

Type of Prayer	Biblical Definition	Bible Illustration	Possible Results Without Prayer
<p style="text-align: center;">Mercy (Jacob)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">For I desire mercy and not sacrifice, And the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Hosea 6:6)</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Affliction (Moses)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Many are the afflictions of the righteous, But the Lord delivers him out of them all.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Psalm 34:19)</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer for a Special Need (Hannah)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">When my soul fainted within me, I remembered the Lord; And my prayer went up to You, Into Your holy temple.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Jonah 2:7)</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Wisdom (Solomon)</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(James 1:5)</p>	

PRAYER WORKS

Based on the four prayers in the Old Testament that we studied today, we learned that:

1. We can pray in any and every circumstance.
2. Prayer makes the impossible, possible.

Please answer the following questions.

1. How would each of their situations have turned out if they hadn't prayed to God?

Jacob _____

Moses _____

Hannah _____

Solomon _____

2. List three things you would like to pray for and explain why.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

3. Describe a time when you or a loved one experienced the power of prayer.

Testimonies of Answered Prayers

a. Before a brother started pursuing Christ, he stole his friend's car. After he came to believe, he was called before the judge to receive a punishment for his crime. While the brother was on his way to the court, he prayed to God and asked for mercy, as he had committed the thievery before he came to know Christ and while he was under negative influences. To his surprise, the judge decided to let him go with a warning never to commit a crime again.

If you were this brother, how would you have tried to fix this situation on your own? How would that have turned out?

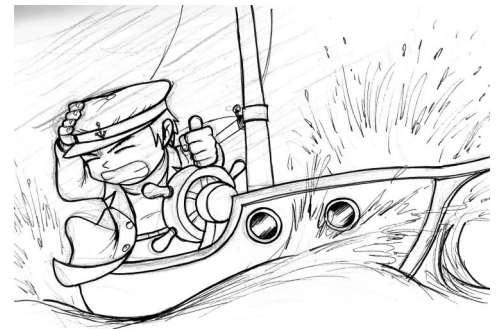


b. A sister was in great distress because her three small children were very sick with fever. She was alone in a foreign land, it was late at night, and there was no one around to help her. The sister knelt down and started praying for her children. Suddenly, her eldest daughter woke up, her fever gone. The daughter knelt next to the sister, and they both prayed over the two younger children. In a matter of minutes, the fever had disappeared among all three.



When you are sick or in pain, what is the first thing you usually do? How effective is that compared to praying?

c. A brother was making a dangerous journey to his new home. During this trip, he had to sail on a small boat, in the middle of a stormy ocean. As the waves, rain, and wind swept around him and threatened to capsize his boat, the brother prayed to God for deliverance. It was such a tiny vessel on violent waters that his chances for survival were slim to none. Hope was quickly disappearing. The brother commended himself to God, and promised to seek Him wholeheartedly if he was allowed to make it safely to land. The storm ceased, the waves calmed. Within days, he was safely ashore and on the way to his new home.



When things seem impossible to resolve, what feelings crowd around your heart and mind? What difference does prayer make in these situations?

d. During her senior year of high school, a sister faced a very important decision. On the one hand, she could choose to go to a very well-known university with no church or fellow members nearby. On the other hand, she could attend a less famous one close to a church. The decision was very difficult because she had always pictured herself going to the more prestigious school, and her classmates kept telling her what a great opportunity it was. Her parents and fellow church brothers and sisters, though, recommended that she stay closer to church, as college years were often full of spiritual trials, and she may need support from fellow brothers and sisters. She prayed to God for the wisdom to make the best choice. In the end, her prayers directed her to choose the school near church, and it proved to be one of the best decisions she ever made.



When everyone around us seems to be giving us conflicting ideas, whom do we follow? How does God guide us through prayer when this happens?

KEEPING UP WITH PRAYER

It is important to keep up a habit of praying in order to maintain our relationship with God. Reflect upon your prayer habits, and then complete the sentences below.

I think prayer is important because _____

When I don't pray, I notice that _____

It is difficult to keep up prayer every day because _____

Some ways that I have seen other maintain a good habit of prayer are _____

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 7—Four Great Prayers in the Old Testament

Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (1 John 5:14)

Four Great Prayers: For each of the following, explain what they prayed for and what God granted them in the end.

1. Jacob: _____

2. Moses: _____

3. Hannah: _____

4. Solomon: _____

Short Answer

5. If you could ask God for anything and know that He would grant your request, what would you pray for?

LESSON 8

JESUS' GREAT PRAYER

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: Jesus Christ Is Our Spiritual High Priest
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Vocabulary Detective
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #3: Jesus' Great Prayer
- Homework



JESUS CHRIST IS OUR SPIRITUAL HIGH PRIEST



	OLD TESTAMENT	NEW TESTAMENT
<p>Who is the high priest? <i>(Hebrews 5:4-5)</i></p>		
<p>What is the high priest's job? <i>(Hebrews 5:1-3; 7:24-25)</i></p>		
<p>What kind of offerings and sacrifices does the high priest make? <i>(Hebrews 10:4, 10)</i></p>		
<p>How often does the high priest have to make sacrifices? <i>(Hebrews 7:26-28; 10:1-4, 11, 14)</i></p>		
<p>Where does the high priest do his job? <i>(Hebrews 9:6-7, 11, 24-25)</i></p>		
<p>What happens when the high priest dies? <i>(Hebrews 7:23-24)</i></p>		
<p>Is the high priest a perfect person? Why or why not? <i>(Hebrews 7:26-28)</i></p>		

vocabulary detective

Instructions: Fill in the blanks for the vocabulary definitions.

glorify: 1. To _____ or make clearer the glory of God by one's actions.
2. To give _____ to God.

authority: The _____ or right to give orders, make _____, and enforce obedience.

manifested: _____

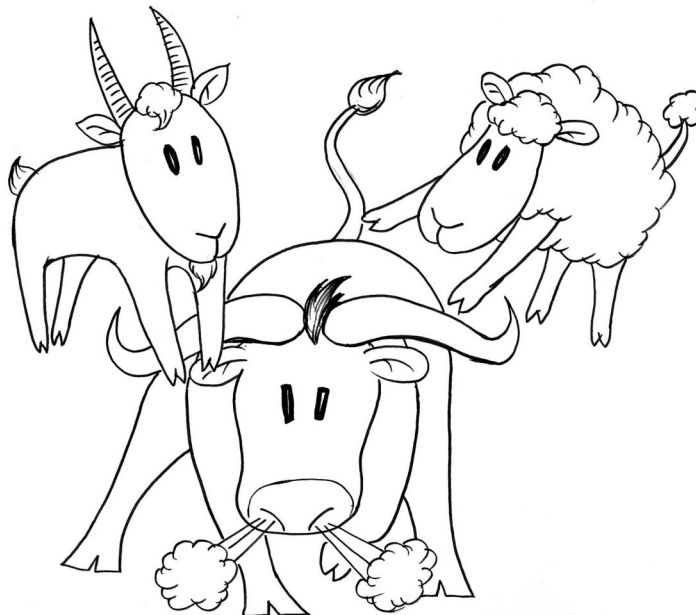
son of perdition: A sinner who refuses to _____ and has died, and thus is eternally condemned (in this case, _____ [scariot]).

fulfilled: _____; _____ and happy

sanctify: To make a person _____.

foundation of the world: The time in the _____ when God created the _____.

declare: To say something with _____; to _____.



JESUS' GREAT PRAYER

Instructions

Column A: Work with your class to find the correct word to fill in the blanks using the hint from the verse numbers.

Column B: Work with your partner to figure out the answers. (Hint: What is the meaning of the word you filled in the blank in Column A?)

Column C: Work with your partner to fill in Column C.

	COLUMN A	COLUMN B	COLUMN C
Verses	What did Jesus pray about?	How can we fulfill Jesus' will for us?	Give 2 examples of what you can do to follow each point of Jesus' Great Prayer.
1, 5	Jesus desires to be _____.	Example: <i>Jesus wants us to praise Him.</i>	Example: (1) <i>I can sing hymns aloud often to glorify God.</i> (2)
11, 15	Jesus wants us to be _____.		(1) (2)
21-23	Jesus wills for the church to be _____.		(1) (2)
18	Jesus sends us out to _____.		(1) (2)

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 8—Jesus' Great Prayer

Homework Assignment

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Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Hebrews 4:16)**

1. Match the vocabulary words with their synonyms.

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|------------|----------------|
| glorify | preach |
| sanctify | praise |
| unify | make holy |
| evangelize | bring together |

2. Read John chapter 17, Jesus' Great Prayer. The main points that we learned are:

- (1) We bring glory to Him so that Jesus might be glorified.
- (2) We will be sanctified.
- (3) The church must be unified.
- (4) The word is evangelized.

Choose one of the points to write about. Write five sentences or more about why you think that point is important and how you will put that point into action.

3. Work with your parent. Read Hebrews 7:20-28. Write five sentences or more comparing and contrasting the priests of the Old Testament and Jesus Christ.

LESSON 9

THE END TIME IS NEAR

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: The End Time Is Near
- Life Application Worksheet: Godliness in Our Daily Lives
- Homework

THE END TIME IS NEAR

Part A: Deny Ungodliness

What is ungodliness? The Bible mentions it many times, but is there an exact definition? Let's turn to the following verses and see if we can get a better idea of what ungodliness means.

1 Timothy 4:1-2

"Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron."

2 Timothy 3:2-4

"For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God."

1 Corinthians 6:10

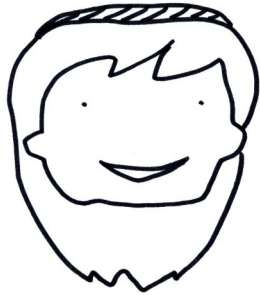
"Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God."

Part B: Live a Godly Life

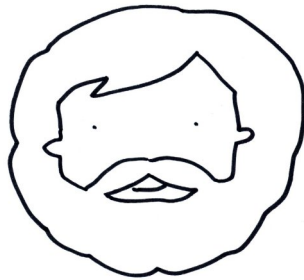
When you read the term "godliness," how would you define it? "Denying ungodliness" and living a "godly life" are both very vague concepts, so vague that the one book that teaches us about them is one of the longest books in the world! Although the Bible doesn't give us a strict, dictionary definition for godliness, we can figure it out by looking at the many examples of godliness that the Bible offers us. Turn to the verses indicated in the table below, and fill out the chart as best you can. Consult your teacher or discuss with your neighbor if you are unsure about anything.



Bible Verse(s)	Who?	What was their attitude towards God?
1 Samuel 17:37; 26:8-11; Acts 13:22		



Exodus 33:15-18		
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Genesis 5:22, 24		
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All three men were godly people. We can see that from their very characteristics without it being told to us. We can summarize their attitudes towards God into three basic actions or characteristics:

1. They feared God.
2. They loved God.
3. They sought to be closer to God.

Lastly, turn to the following verses and fill in the blanks.

John 14:15-16

"If you _____ Me, _____ My _____, And I will pray the _____, and He will give you _____, that He may abide with you _____."

We can then conclude from our study that to live a "godly life" means to be constantly aware of God's presence in our lives. Having godliness means to always **fear God**, **love God**, and also **seek God by being more like Him** with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Godliness in Our Daily Lives

Has there ever been a time in your life when you've completely forgotten about God? For all of us, the answer to that question would probably be an overwhelming "Yes!" In fact, it would probably be very difficult for us to count the number of times we have forgotten about God's presence. It's very easy for us to forget about Him because there are so many distractions in the world around us. On the other hand, a person who lives a godly life is a person who never forgets that He is with them!

Have I completely FORGOTTEN ABOUT GOD!

During our lesson, we concluded that there are three common actions or characteristics of godliness. They are to...

1. _____ God,
2. _____ God, and
3. _____ God by _____.

Try to think about some ways you can express each action in your daily life, and write your ideas in the table below. An example for each has been given to get you started. Discuss with your teacher and your classmates if you're stuck!

- *Never bully anyone in school, because it displeases God.*
- *Love God by loving my parents and being obedient to them.*
- *Pray every day for at least 5-10 minutes to try and draw closer to Him.*

Once you're done, take a colored pencil, red pen, or highlighter, and pick three that you are going to try to do this week! Make sure you share your choices with your teacher.

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 9—The End Time Is Near

Homework Assignment

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Weekly Bible Reading: _____

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Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (Luke 21:36)

Short Answer

1. On the second coming of Jesus, what will we receive?
2. What are the end times?
3. Name three signs of the end times.
4. Explain what ungodliness means, and give an example.
5. Name three actions or characteristics that summarize what it means to live a godly life. Name three examples of how you can live a godly life at home.

LESSON 10

THE PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: Who Was Wise? Who Was Foolish
- Life Application Worksheet #1, Pages 1 and 2: Being Responsible for My Spirituality
- Life Application Worksheet #2, Pages 1 and 2: Fill Me, Holy Spirit
- Homework

Who was wise? Who was foolish?

Instructions: Write the following statements in the correct side of the chart below.

1. Went to find oil
2. Had extra oil in their lamps
3. Didn't have enough oil to share
4. Bridegroom didn't know them
5. Ran out of oil
6. Knocked on the door
7. Were prepared and ready for the marriage
8. Went with the bridegroom

Which Were Wise?	Which Were Foolish?

Instructions: Fill in the blanks below.

1. The bridegroom represents _____.
2. The _____ represent believers or people of the world.
3. The oil represents the _____.
4. The _____ represents Jesus taking His believers to heaven.
5. The _____ represent the chosen vessels of God.

Instructions: Luke 12:35-40 teaches us some very important things about the second coming of Christ. Turn to the passage and fill in the blanks below.

- v. 35 - "Let your _____ be girded and your lamps _____."
- v. 36 - "You yourselves be like men who _____ for their _____, when he will _____ from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may _____ to him _____."
- v. 37 - "_____ are those servants whom the master, when he _____, will find _____."
- v. 38 - "And if he should come in the _____ watch, or come in the _____ watch, and find them so, _____ are those _____."
- v. 39 - "But know this, that if the master of the house had _____ what _____ the _____ would come, he would have _____ and not allowed his house to be _____ into."
- v. 40 - "Therefore you also be _____, for the _____ of _____ is coming at an _____ you do not _____."

Just as the servants have to always be ready for the master to appear at any time, we also have to be ready to receive Jesus when He comes again. This means that we have to **prepare** ourselves and **watch diligently** for Him. The moment we slack off and forget about Him, or decide that there are other things that we could be doing, He may appear. And, like the bridegroom did with the five foolish virgins, if He appears when we aren't ready, then we will be barred from the kingdom of heaven!

But how are we supposed to prepare ourselves? Being prepared means being diligent towards God in our daily lives, and living a life according to God's Word.

Instructions: Read the verses below and write down what kind of actions we are supposed to take in order to prepare ourselves. The first has been given as an example to help you along.

Romans 6:2: We must admit our sins and repent.

Romans 12:2: _____

Matthew 5:44: _____

Psalms 19:14: _____



Being Responsible for My Spirituality

What Is Spirituality?

First of all, what exactly is "spirituality"? Our spirituality is our **connection with God**. The greater your spirituality, the deeper your connection with God. However, it isn't something that grows by itself—we have to **actively seek God in order to make it grow**. It's very easy for us to think of attending church as a formality, a custom, or even a habit. But attending services, learning about God in RE classes, and even taking part in fellowships are all things we do in order to make our spirituality grow.

Right now, you probably attend church because your parents bring you every week. But, just like the five wise virgins in the parable, we cannot rely on others. We have to fill our lamps ourselves. This means that **we must be responsible for our own spirituality**.

Read the following scenarios and Bible verses, and then write down how we can develop our spirituality.

Scenario #1

Cynthia is almost finished with her school year and she's been very busy with her final science project, tests, and her upcoming piano recital. Every day when she gets home from school, she works hard until bedtime to prepare for all those things. Before she goes to bed, she usually feels quite tired. However, she always remembers that she must spend time with God. So, before sleeping, she takes out her Bible and reads. As she reads, she also likes to take notes, especially on questions that she has about the passages. She then prays and goes to bed.

Psalm 1:2 - "But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night."



We can develop our spirituality by _____



Scenario #2

Ethan is a very loving person and frequently has guests over his house. He often holds fellowships and Bible studies at his house, and many out-of-town guests stay at his home, too.

One of his frequent guests, Tyler, always rings the doorbell several times in a row. All of the other guests only ring it once and Ethan is there to open the door in only a few seconds. Tyler's actions make Ethan a little angry because the incessant ringing annoys him and disturbs the guests that have already arrived. However, instead of saying angry words to Tyler, Ethan waits to think about what to say and how to say it, before telling Tyler what he thinks.

Psalm 34:13 - "Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit."

We can develop our spirituality by _____

Scenario #3

During lunchtime at school, Kimberly would always get her books knocked off the table by Lisa. They used to be friends back in first grade, but for some reason, Lisa just didn't like Kimberly anymore. However, Kimberly never did or said anything back to Lisa whenever this happened. She simply picked up her books and continued eating her lunch.

One afternoon, after school, Kimberly saw Lisa walking home ahead of her. She kept her distance so that Lisa won't do anything to her. But then she saw Lisa trip and scratch herself on the sidewalk. Even from a distance, Kimberly could see that it really hurt, so she ran over to see if Lisa was okay. When she got there, she saw that Lisa was bleeding a little, so she washed the scratch with water from her bottle and gives Lisa a Band-Aid from her bag. Lisa couldn't believe it; she had bullied Kimberly every day at lunch, but instead of treating her like an enemy, Kimberly helped her when she was hurt.



Matthew 5:44 - "But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you."

We can develop our spirituality by _____

Fill Me, Holy Spirit

Objective: To understand the importance of being filled with the Holy Spirit and spiritually prepared for the Lord's Second Coming.

What does it mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

To be filled with the Spirit means to allow the Holy Spirit to control us rather than giving in to the world. When we try to live a more holy life, we follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit and make choices according to God's Word.

What does it mean to receive power with the Holy Spirit?

Just before Jesus went up to heaven, He said, "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you" (Acts 1:8).

Have you ever seen someone who's drunk? You immediately know they are drunk because of the characteristics they display—they can't speak properly, can't walk properly, are slow to act, and make poor decisions.

In very much the same way, it's very easy to see when someone is filled with the Holy Spirit. What kind of characteristics does this person show? Read Galatians 5:22-23 and list them below:

All of these are characteristics of a Christian. This means that in order to truly be a Christian, one must be filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reflect on your level of oil. Are you filled with the Holy Spirit? How much have you prepared? Has the flame died out? Whether or not you have the Holy Spirit, think about how you are keeping up with your spirituality: Are you reading the Bible daily? Praying? Obeying your parents? Following God's words?

Draw a line in the lamp that you think shows the level of oil you have right now, and then fill in the blanks.



Time I Spend Adding Oil...

Through prayer:

_____ minutes per day

Through Bible reading:

_____ minutes per day

On the next page, read each scenario and discuss the questions that follow.

1. During prayer time, Patrick always has a hard time concentrating and staying focused. He constantly feels the urge to open his eyes and look around a little bit. During the longer prayers, he checks the clock every few minutes.

Is Patrick filled with the Holy Spirit?

What should he be doing instead?

2. Arthur just finished praying during the RE prayer at church. After heading back into his E2 classroom, he noticed that his pencil box was on the floor with everything, its contents scattered all over the floor. Roger had been sitting next to him, and he knew that he was a clumsy person. When Roger came back in, Arthur asked if he did it. Roger replied saying that it was possible that he knocked it over when he left the classroom. Arthur got angry with him, called him a "clumsy pig," and decided to push all of Roger's things onto the floor, too. They both started to argue.

Is Arthur filled with the Holy Spirit?

What should he have done instead?

3. Craig has been best friends with Philip, Randy, and Juan for over seven years. However, in recent years, his friends have changed. They like to go to parties, and their speech is littered with many inappropriate words. They often invite Craig to hang out and play video games on Saturdays. It is hard for Craig to resist, as these are his childhood friends and he enjoys their company. But, he is even closer friends with God and watchful about his spirituality. Eventually, his friends change so much it seems like he doesn't know them anymore, and they drift apart.

Is Craig filled with the Holy Spirit?

Should he have done anything different?

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 10—The Parable of the Ten Virgins

Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Matthew 25:13)**

Fill In the Blank

1. The bridegroom arrived late, after _____.
2. The five wise virgins brought extra _____.
3. While waiting for the bridegroom to arrive, the ten virgins _____.
4. When the bridegroom arrived, the five foolish virgins were _____.

Short Answer

5. Why were the five wise virgins unable to share with the foolish ones? What does this mean for us today?

LESSON 11

THE PARABLE OF THE GREAT BANQUET

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1, Pages 1 and 2: The Parable of the Great Banquet
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: What's So Great about Heaven?
- Life Application Worksheet #1: You're Invited!
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Excuses, Excuses, Excuses
- Homework

THE PARABLE OF THE GREAT BANQUET

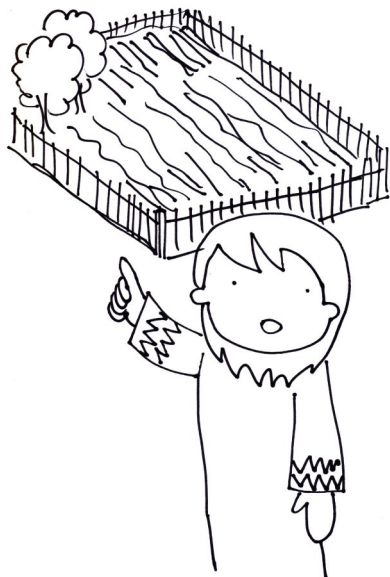
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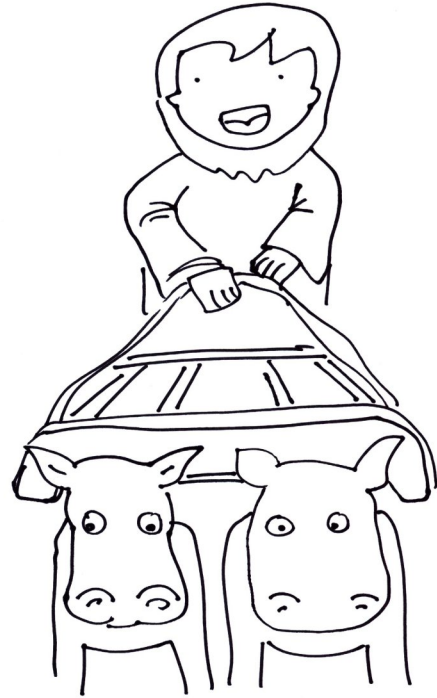
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WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT HEAVEN?

God has invited us to be with Him in heaven one day. But what's so great about heaven? Why would we want to go there?

The Bible doesn't give us an abundance of details as to what heaven will be like, but it does tell us what we need to know.

HEAVEN
is a
Wonderful
PLACE
WHERE WE WILL BE
WITH GOD
forever

Fill in the blanks below by looking up the verses.

1. Heaven will be a paradise. (Luke 23:43)

"And Jesus said to him, 'Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in _____.'"

2. Heaven will be full of spiritual joy. (Romans 14:17)

"For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and _____ in the _____."

3. God will be with us forever. (Revelation 21:3)

"And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will _____, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God."

4. There will be no more pain or sorrow. (Revelation 21:4)

"And God will wipe away every _____ from their eyes; there shall be no more _____, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more _____, for the former things have passed away."

5. Heaven is beautiful. (Revelation 21:18-21)

"The construction of its wall was of jasper; and the city was pure _____, like clear glass. The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all kinds of precious stones: the first foundation was jasper, the second sapphire, the third chalcedony, the fourth emerald, the fifth sardonyx, the sixth sardius, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoptase, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst. The twelve gates were twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass."

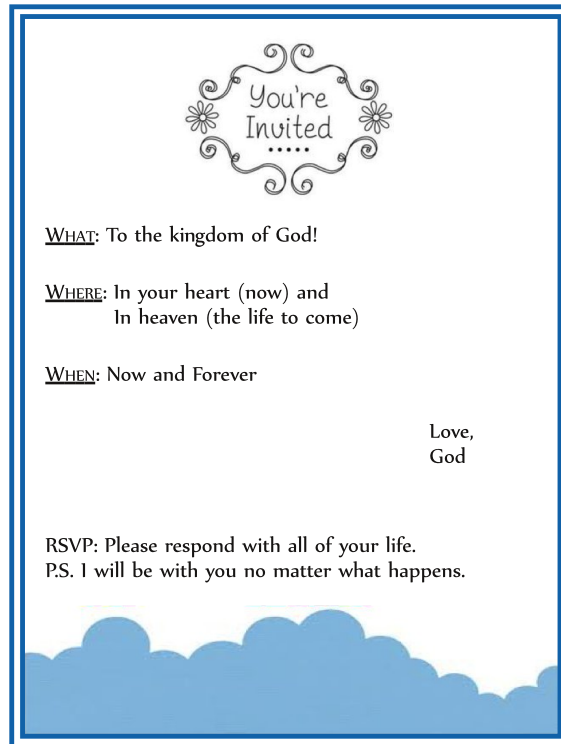
6. There will be no more sin. (Revelation 22:3)

"And there shall be no more _____, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His _____ servants shall serve Him."

NO MORE
CURSE
NO MORE
SIN

YOU'RE INVITED!

There are many ways we can accept God's invitation, and the least of these is spending time with God on Sabbath day. What are some other ways we can show God our acceptance of His invitation? Are there any habits in your daily life that you can change or cultivate? What about your relationship with your parents or your siblings? Perhaps there are additional things you can do to help out in church. Think of some things you think you can do, and then fill out the RSVP letter below.



R.S.V.P.

Dear God,



I, _____ (your name), humbly accept Your invitation to the heavenly kingdom. In acceptance of this invitation, I will gladly set aside the worries of my daily life and spend time with You on the Sabbath day. I also pray to You so that I can be filled with the Holy Spirit and be prepared for the coming banquet.

In addition to the above, I also plan to...

Yours lovingly,

EXCUSES, EXCUSES, EXCUSES

Examine the following excuses some people may make for not accepting God's invitation to become part of His family. Then, fill in the "Good Answer" column by describing how you would answer the person if you were their friend.

GOD'S INVITATION	EXCUSE	GOOD ANSWER
<p>God invites us to seek Him on Sabbath day.</p>	<p>I don't like going to church on Saturday morning because it's always too early in the morning for me. I like to stay home and watch cartoons. Sometimes, my friends have parties on Saturdays, and I also need to work on my schoolwork.</p>	
<p>God invites us to believe in His word.</p>	<p>I don't understand God's words. Sometimes they're confusing. Plus I am too busy to think about God and study the Bible anyway. I have too many things to do.</p>	
<p>God invites us to pray to Him.</p>	<p>God knows everything; I don't need to pray to him all the time.</p>	
<p>God invites us to be baptized.</p>	<p>I don't want to get baptized right now. I don't like going into the water either. What's so good about it anyway? Baptism is for grown-ups. I should wait until I'm older.</p>	
<p>God invites us to spread His word.</p>	<p>I'm not good at preaching to others. I don't speak very well. My friends don't like to listen to my preaching. I'm afraid of being rejected when I preach.</p>	

E2 Year 2 Book 2 Lesson 11—The Parable of the Great Banquet

Homework Assignment

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Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

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Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Revelation 3:20)**

Word Scramble

Unscramble the words in parentheses to fill in the blanks.

1. These people were invited to a _____ (uqteban). But, when it came time for the banquet, they gave _____ (seesuxc) as to why they couldn't attend.
2. One said, "I can't come; I've bought a _____." (ifled)
3. Another said, "I can't come; I want to try out my new _____." (neox)
4. Still another replied, "I can't come; I now have a _____." (fiwe)

Short Answer

5. Who was invited after the servants reported the excuses given?
6. What does the banquet represent?
7. Who does the host represent?
8. How do we accept God's invitation?
9. How do we sometimes decline His invitation?

LESSON 12

THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: The Second Coming of Jesus Christ
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: Preparing Myself to Meet the Lord
- Homework



Part A: The Nature of Jesus' Second Coming

What will Jesus' coming be like?

1. The Bible uses different analogies to describe it as swift and unexpected.

a. It will be like a _____ who returns _____.

(Mark 13:34-37)

"It is like a _____ going to a _____, who left his _____ and gave _____ to his _____, and to each his _____, and commanded the doorkeeper to _____. _____ therefore, for you _____ when the master of the house is coming—in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning, lest, _____, he find you _____."

b. It will be like a _____ in the _____.

(Revelations 3:3b)

"Therefore if you will not _____, I will come upon you as a _____, and you will _____ what _____ I will come upon you."

2. The Bible says that no one knows the time or hour.

(Mark 13:32)

"But of that _____ and _____ no one _____, not even the _____ in _____, nor the _____, but only the _____. Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is."

3. When it comes, there will be changes in heaven and on earth.

(Luke 21:25-28)

"And there will be _____ in the _____, in the _____, in the _____; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the _____ and the _____; men's _____ failing them from _____ and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. Then they will see the _____ of _____ coming in a _____ with power and _____."

Part B: Jesus' Appearance

What will happen when Jesus comes?

(Revelation 1:7-8)

"Behold, He is _____ with the _____, and _____ will _____ Him, even they who _____ Him. And all the tribes of the earth will _____ because of Him. Even so, Amen."

(1 Thessalonians 4:16)

"For the Lord Himself will _____ from _____ with a _____, with the voice of an _____, and with the _____ of _____. And the dead in Christ will rise first."

Part C: The Purpose of Jesus' Return

Turn to the following verses to find out what Jesus will do when He returns.

1. Matthew 24:31 - To _____ His _____.
2. 2 Peter 3:10 - To _____ the _____.
3. Revelation 20:11-15 - To _____ all _____.
4. Matthew 25:34 - To _____ us into our _____.

Preparing Myself to Meet the Lord

Sumatra Tsunami Kills 230,000

On December 26th of 2004, the most powerful earthquake in 40 years erupted in the Indian Ocean. After the earthquake, people thought that was it, but then they saw the 30-foot tall tsunami moving very quickly towards them. The giant wave crashed against the coast. The people ran as fast as they could to higher ground or inland, but for some, it was just too late. Tourists, fishermen, farmers, villagers were swept out to the ocean. Entire villages suddenly disappeared. Trucks, cars, motorbikes were swept around like toys. Many who survived had serious injuries and had lost everything.

The giant wave of water, which started in Sumatra, Indonesia, also caused deadly waves in a dozen other countries killing 230,000 people. Those 230,000 people didn't know what hit them. Tsunamis often strike with little or no warning. Can you imagine any event so devastating that it would kill 230,000 lives in one day?

1. Why did so many people die from the tsunami?
2. What could have been done to prevent such a large number of deaths?

In the same way the Sumatra Tsunami struck when the people least expected it, the Lord Jesus will also come without warning. Will Jesus find us ready and prepared for His coming, or will we be taken by surprise? In Luke 12:40, the Lord Jesus tells us, "Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

How can we prepare ourselves so that we can be ready to receive the Lord at any day and any moment?



Read the following story about a boy named Brian.

Brian comes from a wealthy family with successful parents. He has been told that he needs to work hard at school so that he can get into a reputable college, find a high-paying job, and lead a comfortable life. He has watched his parents work hard and seen the fruit of their labor. He decides that his goal is to work hard to make it to the top. Besides his academic studies, Brian has a lot of close friends at school and enjoys being on the basketball team, in orchestra, and on the debate team with them.

In church, things are different. He just doesn't fit in. His peers spend too much time going to church events, RE classes, and services. He much prefers hanging out with his school buddies, playing video games, skateboarding, and watching movies.

Brian only attends the Saturday morning service now, but he often dozes off during the sermons. He didn't used to be like this. He simply drifted further and further from God. In fact, he doesn't really know if there is a God anymore. He finds that his prayers are getting weaker and weaker. A few years ago, he received the Holy Spirit at a Student Spiritual Convocation, but he's afraid to face the fact that he may have lost the Holy Spirit, so he doesn't pray. Brian feels that he doesn't really need God. He's seen from his parents' example how, through hard work, a person can accomplish a good life, success, and material prosperity. Brian feels that living in the present is what's important. He only lives once, so he's going to enjoy life to the fullest. The future? He's not going to worry about that now.

Are YOU Ready?

It is the Last Day and Brian is standing face to face with the Lord Jesus, and Jesus has a few questions for him. Write down Brian's answers to His questions. Then, read the Bible verses and write how God wants us to live for Him.

1. Was I first place in your heart?

Matthew 22:37-38

2. Were you kind and caring to others?

Matthew 25:34-36

3. Did you spend time praying and reading the Bible?

2 Timothy 3:15; 1 Timothy 4:8

4. Did you spread the gospel to others around you?

Matthew 24:14

5. Did you use the talents and gifts I gave you to serve the church and others?

Matthew 25:20-21



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Homework Assignment

Name: _____ Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

Weekly Bible Reading: _____

Bible Reading: Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

Prayer: Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. **(Luke 12:40)**

Draw a line to match up the phrases of each Bible verse.

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| 1. "Behold, He is coming with clouds... | ...was cast into the lake of fire." (Rev 20:15) |
| 2. "But of that day and hour... | ...according to his works." (Mt 16:27b) |
| 3. "Anyone not found written in the Book of Life... | ...from the foundation of the world." (Mt 25:34b) |
| 4. "The sun will be darkened... | ...with great power and glory." (Mk 13:26) |
| 5. "He will reward each..." | ...and the moon will not give its light." (Mt 24:29a) |
| 6. "The day of the Lord will come..." | ...and every eye will see Him." (Rev 1:7a) |
| 7. "Then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds..." | ...as a thief in the night." (2 Pet 3:10) |
| 8. "Come [...] inherit the kingdom prepared for you..." | ...no one knows." (Mk 13:32a) |

Short Answer

9. What are some of the things that you need to do to get ready for Jesus' return?

"Your word is a lamp to my feet
And a light to my path."

(Psalm 119:105)