

Elementary 2

Year 1 Book 1

Jesus Is My Savior



Student Worksheets

ELEMENTARY 2 YEAR 1 BOOK 1

JESUS IS MY SAVIOR

INTRODUCTION

Why did God come to earth in the form of man? What does it mean for us? These are questions your students may have and these lessons are intended to provide your students with more knowledge and insight into the life of Jesus Christ. We will be studying in-depth about how Jesus' birth and death were prophesied in the Old Testament and fulfilled in the New Testament, as well as learning about why His birth and death are so important to us. In addition to reviewing Jesus' life, we will also be learning about the three sacraments and how they play key roles in our journey to the heavenly kingdom.

The main objectives for this quarter are:

- 1. To understand the significance of Jesus' life and death.
- 2. To understand the significance of the three sacraments: Baptism, Holy Communion, and Footwashing.
- 3. To know that Jesus came to earth and sacrificed Himself so we could have the hope of a heavenly future with Him.

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MEMORY VERSES

1. Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6)
2. Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. (Isaiah 7:14)
3. Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men. (Luke 2:52)
4. Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. (Mark 16:15)
5. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. (2 Timothy 3:16)
6. Blessed is the man whom You instruct, O Lord, and teach out of Your law. (Psalm 94:12)
7. Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God." (John 3:5)
8. But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. (Matthew 6:33)
9. Peter said to Him, "You shall never wash my feet!" Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part with Me." (John 13:8)
10. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped. (Psalm 28:7a)
11. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 6:23)
12. Having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. (Acts 2:33b)

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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<p>"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."</p> <p>(Romans 6:23)</p> <p>11</p>	<p>"Having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear."</p> <p>(Acts 2:33b)</p> <p>12</p>

LESSON 1

UNDERSTANDING JESUS: THE PROPHECIES OF THE BIRTH AND DEATH OF JESUS CHRIST

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1, Pages 1 and 2: Prophecies of Jesus' Birth and Death
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Who Is Jesus Christ to Me?
- Life Application Worksheet #1: The Path Between God and Man
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Testimony
- Homework

Messiah, Prophet, Priest, King









1. The word "Messiah" means "_____."
2. The name "Christ" is the Greek equivalent of "_____."

Prophecies of Jesus' Birth

Old Testament Prophecy	→	Fulfillment in the New Testament
<u>Be born in the town of Bethlehem of Judea (Judah)</u>		
Mic 5:2 "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth are from of old, From everlasting."	→	Mt 2:1 "Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of _____ in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem."
<u>A Child to be born</u>		
Is 9:6 "For unto us a _____ is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.	→	Lk 2:11 "For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."
<u>Be born a King of the line of David</u>		
Is 9:7 "Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom."	→	Mt 1:1 "The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of _____, the Son of Abraham."
<u>Be born of a virgin</u>		
Is 7:14 "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel."	→	Lk 1:26-27 "Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a _____ betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary."

Prophecies of Jesus' Death

Old Testament Prophecy		Fulfillment in the New Testament
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Be Passover sacrifice with no bone broken</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Num 9:12</p> <p>"They shall leave none of it until morning, nor break one of its bones. According to all the ordinances of the Passover they shall keep it."</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Jn 19:32-33</p> <p>"Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not _____ His legs."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Be hung upon a tree as a curse for us</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dt 21:23</p> <p>"His body shall not remain overnight on the tree, but you shall surely bury him that day, so that you do not defile the land which the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance; for he who is hanged is accursed of God."</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Gal 3:13</p> <p>"Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, '_____ is everyone who hangs on a tree')."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Be accused and afflicted without opening His mouth</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Is 53:7</p> <p>"He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth."</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Mt 27:12</p> <p>"And while He was being accused by the chief priests and elders, He answered _____."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Be numbered (crucified with transgressors)</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Is 53:12</p> <p>"Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors."</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Mt 27:38</p> <p>"Then two robbers were crucified with Him, one on the _____ and another on the _____."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Be sold for thirty pieces of silver</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Zech 11:12</p> <p>"Then I said to them, 'If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain.' So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver."</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Mt 27:3</p> <p>"Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the _____ pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders."</p>

Who Is Jesus Christ to Me?

Teaching #1: Jesus is the _____ God and _____ Father!

Instructions: Underline all the special words that refer to Jesus.

- **Isaiah 9:6** – “For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be on His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”
- **Isaiah 7:14** – “Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.”
- **Matthew 1:23** – “Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel.” (Immanuel means “God with us.”)

Teaching: Jesus was declared to be the _____ and _____ long before He was ever conceived in the womb of Mary. The Everlasting Father became the child and son! Therefore Jesus truly is _____. Jesus is Almighty God become a man.

Teaching #2: Jesus is the _____ of God.

Instructions: Underline the word "Son" in each verse.

- **John 3:16** – “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”
- **Matthew 3:17** – “And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, ‘This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.’”
- **Matthew 26:63-64** – “But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, ‘I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!’ Jesus said to him, ‘It is as you said.’”

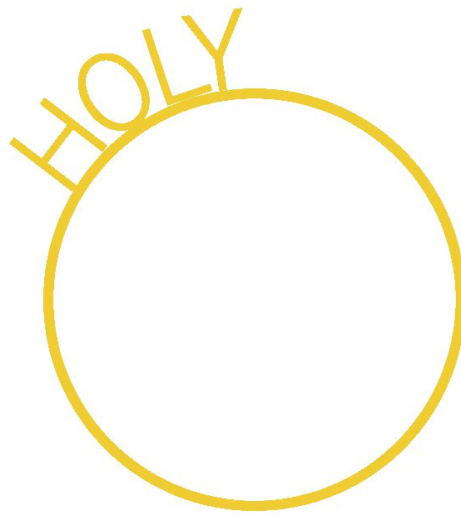
Teaching: Jesus was declared to be the _____ of God over and over again in the New Testament. The Everlasting Father became the Child and Son! Therefore, Jesus truly is God with us. Jesus is God become man.

Teaching #3: Jesus came to save us from our sin. He is our _____!

Instructions: Underline the words "save" and "take away."

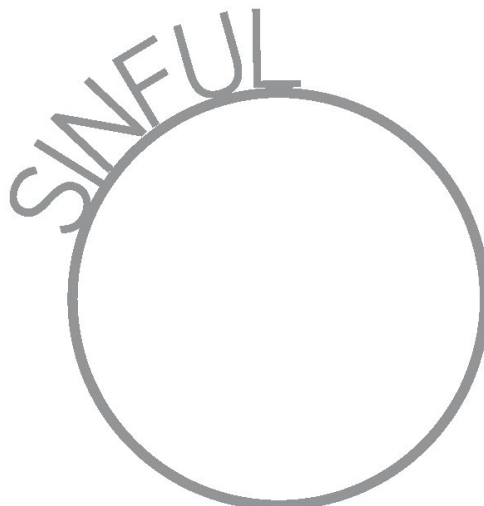
- **Matthew 1:21** – “And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.”
- **John 1:29** – “The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, ‘Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!’”
- **1 John 3:5** – “And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin.”

Teaching: Jesus wants us to receive eternal life. He died on the cross for us so that we can be sinless. The forgiveness of sin can only be freely given through the death of Jesus Christ. Today, we have studied more about who Jesus is. Through the study of the prophecies of Jesus’ birth and death, we can now understand that His purpose of coming as a man was to save us from our sin. He is truly our _____!



“I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through me.”

JOHN 14:6



Testimony

I recently faced issues that I had never faced and dealt with responsibilities far beyond my abilities. Things had gotten very stressful due to my studies and other school problems. I didn't know what to do. I was so afraid and helpless that I just lay down on the floor of my apartment and moped.

Then I thought, "Maybe I should pray." So I started praying in spirit. I told God that I didn't know what to do anymore. Everything was just too hard. I didn't have strength. I was scared. I wanted to run away.

As I prayed, I felt the warmth of the Holy Spirit comfort me. The longer I prayed, the more comforted I was. The fear in me began to dissipate and was replaced by a feeling of hope. I started remembering all that God had done for me in the past.

Even though the problems and challenges still existed, I knew everything was going to be all right. God is my Father and He will take care of me. My worries faded and all I desired to do was please my Father.

Before I prayed, I was afraid of many things. But as I prayed, my soul was calmed and quieted. I was completely at peace.

Romans 8:15 tells us that the promised Holy Spirit we receive is the Spirit of adoption. This Spirit "bears witness...that we are children of God" (Rom 8:16). Thus, when we pray in spirit, we are certain that we are God's children. We are not orphans. We are not lonely because God is with us. We are not afraid because God will help us.

If we ever feel alone, if we don't know what to do, or if we forget who we are, let us not forget that we can pray. For the spirit we receive is not the spirit of bondage to fear, but God's Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

Life Application Questions

1. Why did this brother turn to prayer when he was afraid?
2. What did he experience as he prayed to God?
3. What did this brother suggest for us to do when we feel alone, don't know what to do, or forget who we are?

Commit yourself to spend time in daily Bible reading and prayer.



Amount of time I will spend reading the Bible each day: _____



Amount of time I will spend praying each day: _____

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 1— Understanding Jesus: The Prophecies of the Birth and Death of Jesus Christ 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. (John 14:6)

Who is Jesus Christ to me?

Some of the Old Testament prophecies were in the form of a poem.

*"For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called
Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."
-Isaiah 9:6*

If you could write a poem about Lord Jesus Christ, what would you write so that people would know right away who Jesus Christ is to you? Read the following verses to get some ideas.

- Isaiah 7:14 • Isaiah 9:6 • Matthew 1:23
- John 3:16 • Matthew 1:21 • John 1:29

Here are some suggestions to start you off, but make up your own original poem. It is okay if it is short.

Sample 1:

Jesus, You suffer pain and woe,
Yet You stand alone and endure.
I offer gifts to You,
My Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace,
King of Kings.

Sample 2:

Let's count the blessings
That God has so freely sent;
Let's remember His goodness,
How God's working in us.
When we are troubled,
And even when everything goes wrong,
God still loves His children.
He will always care.

Title: _____

LESSON 2

THE BIRTHS OF JESUS AND JOHN THE BAPTIST

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: The Births of Jesus and John the Baptist
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: The Similarities Between the Births of Jesus and John the Baptist
- Life Application Worksheet #1: What Can We Learn from the Birth of Jesus?
- Life Application Worksheet #2: My Life's Plan
- Homework

The Births of Jesus and John the Baptist

Jesus' Birth	Fill In the Blanks
Luke 1:32-33, 35	The angel explained that the child would be "called the _____ of the _____; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." He will be "called the _____ of _____."
Matthew 1:20-21	"But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the _____. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name _____, for He will save His people from their _____. So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: 'Behold the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name _____,' which is translated, 'God with us.'"
Luke 2:10-12	"Then the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a _____, who is _____ the _____. And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.'"

The Birth of John the Baptist	Fill In the Blanks
Luke 1:13-17	"But the angel said to him, 'Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth. For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the _____, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. He will also go before Him in the _____ and _____ of _____, "to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children," and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready a people _____ for the Lord.'"

What do the births of Jesus and John the Baptist teach us?

1. Their births were special and part of God's plan.

God's plan for Jesus was for Him to be our _____. He was sinless because He was born of the power of the _____.

God's plan for John the Baptist was for him to _____ the way for Jesus.

2. God has a purpose for *everyone*. We are all valuable in His eyes.

We were made **by** God and **for** God. It is only in God that we find out the _____ and _____ of our lives. In order to fully know God's plan for our lives, we must build a _____ with Him first.

The Similarities Between the Births of Jesus and John the Baptist

Instructions: There are many similarities between the births of Jesus and John the Baptist. Please take a look at the following chart and underline the similarities.

The Announcement of John's Birth	The Announcement of Jesus' Birth
<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:11-13</p> <p>The angel Gabriel appears to Zacharias to tell of a miraculous birth. He is told not to be afraid for his prayer has been heard.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:26-27, 30</p> <p>The angel Gabriel appears to Mary to tell of a miraculous birth. She is told not to be afraid because she has won God's favor.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:13</p> <p>Gabriel announces the name of the child: "You shall call his name John."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:31</p> <p>Gabriel announces the name of the Child: "You shall call His name Jesus."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:15-17</p> <p>Gabriel announces the mission of the child: "He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God [and] make ready a people prepared for the Lord."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:32-33</p> <p>Gabriel announces the mission of the Child: "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:57</p> <p>John is born: "Now Elizabeth's full time came for her to be delivered, and she brought forth a son."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 2:6-7</p> <p>Jesus is born: "So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:59-60</p> <p>John is circumcised and named on the eighth day: "So it was, on the eighth day, that they came to circumcise the child. [...] 'He shall be called John.'"</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 2:21</p> <p>Jesus is circumcised and named on the eighth day: "And when eight days were completed for the circumcision of the Child, His name was called Jesus."</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 1:80</p> <p>Conclusion to the story of John's birth: "So the child grew and became strong in spirit."</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Luke 2:40</p> <p>Conclusion to the story of Jesus' birth: "And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him."</p>

What Can We Learn from the Birth of Jesus?

1. We learn that the virgin Mary found favor in God's eyes. When we live a life that is _____ to God and others, God can use us in wonderful ways.
2. Joseph, Zacharias, and Elizabeth, teach us that by living a righteous life, God will _____ us in times of _____ and show us the way.
3. The long and tiring journey to Bethlehem and the manger teaches us that God will always keep His promises, and that we have _____ and assurance in Jesus.
4. As the angel told the shepherds, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David, a Savior has been born." Then finally, the visit of the magi shows us that it is a blessing to _____ our Lord and Savior. Let's remember to put Jesus first and worship Him.
5. God has a purpose for everyone. We are all _____ in His eyes.

I am
valuable
in God's eyes!

"Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more **valuable** you are than birds!" (Lk 12:24 NIV)

"You are **precious** and honored in my sight." (Isa 43:4a NIV)

Write down five things that make you feel that God loves you.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

My Life's Plan



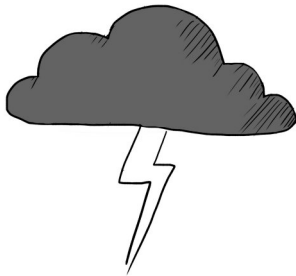
1. My life is a _____ from God.
2. My life has a plan. My life has a _____.
3. I will fulfill God's plan for me by always walking in His way, putting Jesus _____, and worshipping Him:



- a. I will live a life that is **pleasing** to God and to others so that God can use me in wonderful ways.
- b. I will live a **righteous** life and remember that God always keeps His promises. He will help me in times of difficulty and show me the way.

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

Which life do you want to choose?



Self-directed life

- Sin
- Frustration
- Worries
- Separation from God



God-directed life

- Love
- Joy
- Peace
- Fullness of the Holy Spirit

A Prayer to God

Dear Lord Jesus Christ,

Thank You for coming as a human being to show everyone how to live. Thank You for dying on the cross for my sins. Thank You for forgiving my sins and for giving me eternal life. I have opened the door of my life and received You as my Savior. Please take control of my life and help me to be the kind of person You want me to be. Amen.



E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 2—The Births of Jesus and John the Baptist

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. (Isaiah 7:14)

There are many life applications and truths that we have learned from this lesson.

1. We learned that the virgin Mary found favor in God's eyes. When we live a life that is pleasing to God and to others, God can use us in wonderful ways. **Write at least two things that you did this week that are pleasing to God.**
2. Joseph, Zacharias, and Elizabeth teach us that by living a righteous life, God will help us in times of difficulty and show us the way. **Has God showed you how to overcome any difficulties this week? Describe them. (If you haven't encountered any difficulties this week, describe an instance when God helped you in the past.)**
3. The visit of the magi shows us that it is a blessing to worship our Lord and Savior. Worshipping God can be done before you eat breakfast and go to school, and after you come home from school. You can kneel down and pray, or read the Bible. These are wonderful ways to worship God. **When did you worship God this week? Why is it important to worship God and remember His goodness every day?**

LESSON 3

THE ESCAPE TO EGYPT AND JESUS' CHILDHOOD

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: The Escape to Egypt and Jesus' Childhood
- Life Application Worksheet #1: How Can I Grow as Jesus Grew?
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: The Secrets to Growing as Jesus Did!
- Homework

The Escape to Egypt and Jesus' Childhood

The Escape to Egypt

What did the angel say to Joseph in the dream?

Matthew 2:13

"Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to _____, and stay there until I bring you word; for _____ will seek the young Child to _____ Him."

Matthew 2:23

Joseph, Mary, and Jesus returned to Nazareth, as foretold by the prophets when they said that "He shall be called a _____."



Jesus Stays in the Temple After the Passover Feast

What did Jesus say to His mother when she told Him that they had been looking for Him?

Luke 2:49

"He said to them, 'Why did you seek _____? Did you not know that I must be about My _____ business?'"



Jesus Grows Up

In what ways did Jesus grow?

Luke 2:52

"And Jesus increased in _____ and _____, and in _____ and _____."



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How Can I Grow as Jesus Grew?

"And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men." (Lk 2:52)

Although there are only a few passages that give us a glimpse into Jesus' childhood, they actually tell us a lot if we study them carefully. Jesus grew in many ways!

Are we also growing in wisdom, stature, favor with God, and favor with men? Look at the questions and rate your own growth by checking off the box to the right that best matches your answer.

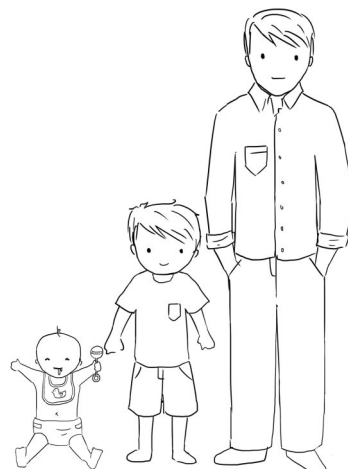
Jesus grew in wisdom (Understanding God's word and God's will)	Never	Seldom	Occasionally	Frequently	Always
1. Do I feel like I am growing in wisdom?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do I read the Bible daily?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Do I pray daily?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Jesus grew in stature (Growing physically and staying healthy)	Never	Seldom	Occasionally	Frequently	Always
1. Do I eat healthy food?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do I exercise regularly?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Do I get enough sleep?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Jesus grew in favor with God (Loving God and serving Him)	Never	Seldom	Occasionally	Frequently	Always
1. Do I obey God's words by living them out in my life?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do I love God by being obedient just as Jesus was?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Do I serve God in church?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Jesus grew in favor with men (Loving and helping others)	Never	Seldom	Occasionally	Frequently	Always
1. Do I love the people around me?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do I help others, especially those who are sick or not well?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Do I pray for people?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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The Secrets to Growing as Jesus Did!

Secret #1: Read the word of God daily

"Therefore you shall lay up these words of mine in your heart and in your soul, and bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. And you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." (Deut 11:18-20)

Answer the following questions.

1. Where do you put your Bible when you're not using it?
2. Where do you think God would like you to put it?
3. What are the advantages of storing God's word in our hearts?



Secret #2: Ask God for wisdom through prayer

Read James 1:5. *"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."* Name one or two things that you need God's help with in the box below. Then, write a short prayer to God asking Him to grant you the wisdom.

Areas I need God's help with:

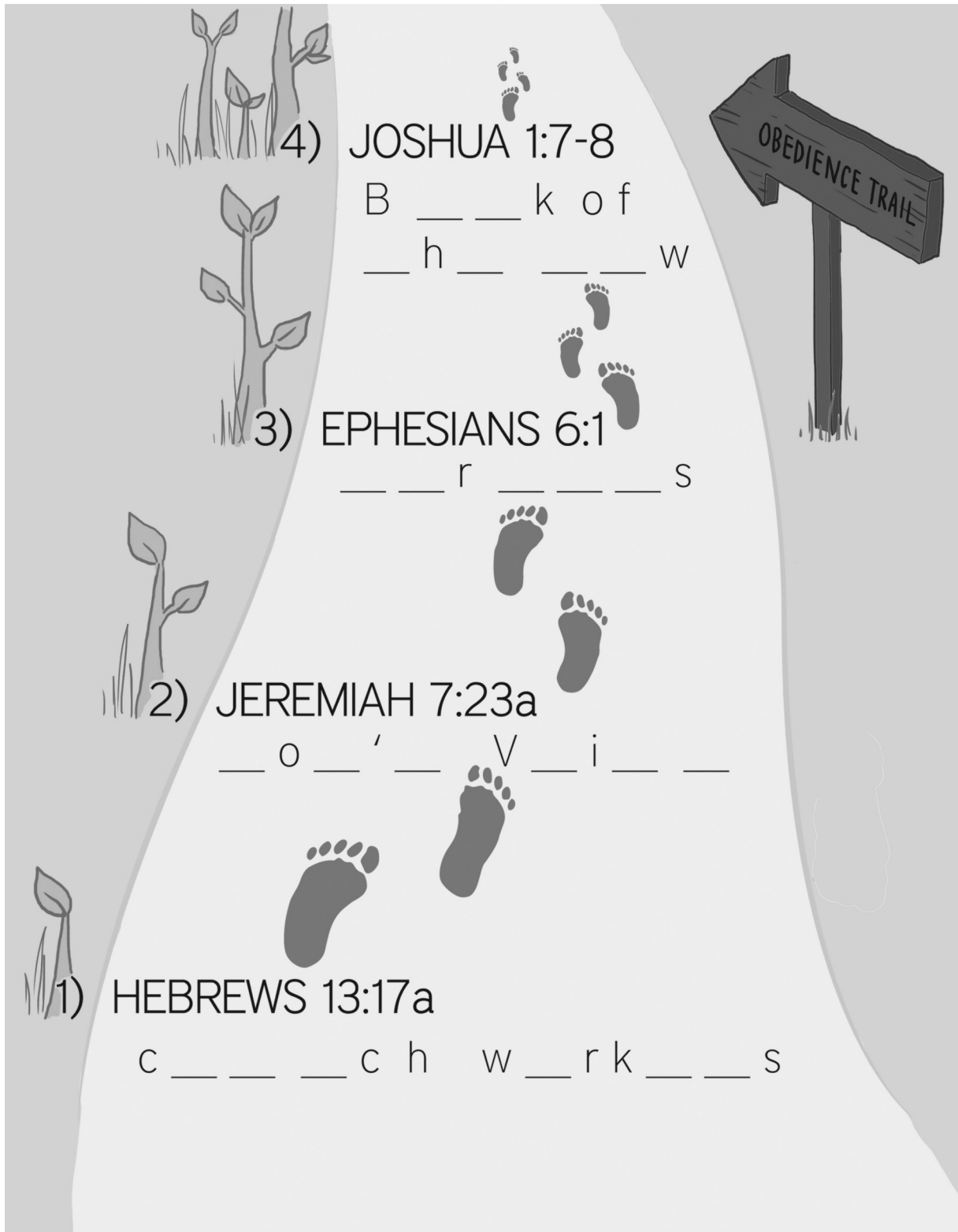


My prayer:

Dear God,

Secret #3: Be obedient

Instructions: Starting at the bottom, follow the obedience trail below. Read each passage as you come to it. Fill in the blanks that tell you whom or what you are to obey. Several letters have been given to help you.



E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 3—The Escape to Egypt and Jesus' Childhood

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 2:52)

Read the Bible verses and fill in the blanks for these four categories.

1. Wisdom (James 1:5)

"If any of you lacks _____, let him ask of _____, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be _____ to him."

2. Stature (1 Cor 6:19-20)

"Or do you not know that your body is the _____ of the _____ who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your _____? For you were bought at a _____; therefore, _____ in your _____ and in your _____, which are _____.

3. Favor with God (Phil 1:9-11)

"And this I pray, that your _____ may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are _____, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the _____ of _____ which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God."

4. Favor with men (Phil 2:3-4)

"Let nothing be done through _____ or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than _____. Let each of you look out not only for his _____ interests, but also for the interests of _____.

LESSON 4

JOHN THE BAPTIST PREPARES THE WAY AND JESUS' BAPTISM

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: John the Baptist Prepares the Way
- Linking to the Ten Basic Beliefs Worksheet: Water baptism is required for the remission of sins.
- Life Application Worksheet: Testimony, "I Witnessed the Lord's Blood"
- Homework

John the Baptist Prepares the Way

1. John lived a simple life.

Matthew 3:4

"Now John himself was clothed in _____, with a _____ around his waist; and his food was _____ and _____."

2. The work of John the Baptist.

Matthew 3:5-6

"Then _____, all _____, and all the region around the _____ went out to him and were _____ by him in the _____, confessing their sins."

3. John shows his humility.

Luke 3:16

"But One _____ than I is coming, whose _____ strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the _____ and _____."

Understanding the Difference Between John's Baptism and Water Baptism

4. John's baptism is a baptism of _____. It cannot wash away our _____.
5. Those who were baptized by John needed to be baptized again after Jesus died for us. Acts 19:4-5 records:
"Then Paul said, 'John indeed baptized with a baptism of _____, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.'
When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the _____."
6. The water baptism received after _____ died and shed His _____ has the power to wash away our sins.
7. Jesus' baptism also showed His _____ and _____ to God and to the ministry of John the Baptist. Jesus still had a fleshly body, which showed the humanity of Jesus.

ONLY WATER BAPTISM HAS THE
POWER TO WASH AWAY SINS.

Linking to the Ten Basic Beliefs**Water baptism is required for the remission of sins.**

John the Baptist was an important, yet humble, worker of God. In your own words, describe what being humble means.

What do you think the opposite of being humble is? Can you describe it?

The Importance of Water Baptism

Read the verses below and match the verses to each reason for why we should receive baptism. Some reasons may have more than one verse.

- Acts 2:38
- 1 Peter 3:21
- Mark 16:16
- Acts 22:16
- John 3:5
- Galatians 3:27
- Romans 6:4

1. To Be Cleansed

2. To Be Saved

3. To Enter God's Kingdom

4. To Receive a New Life

5. To Put On Christ



Testimony

I Witnessed the Lord's Blood

April 9th, 1989 was a day in my life that I'll never forget. That afternoon, the True Jesus Church in Ma-Dou prepared to baptize 14 truth seekers at the conclusion of an evangelistic event. The baptism was to be held in the ocean at a nearby beach. Because I had heard about the trick of using red ink, I tagged along out of curiosity to watch the baptism. When everyone had finished singing hymns, I left the group and went further up shore. I found a nice open spot where I could closely observe every detail.

After those who were to receive baptism changed into white robes, they began to walk into the ocean one by one. The baptist, Pastor Chen, was holding a brand new white towel without any sign of red ink in his hands. As the first sister began to be baptized, the seawater around her suddenly changed into a deep shade of red. Were my eyes playing tricks on me? The rest of the ocean appeared a deep turquoise blue against the vast blue sky. How strange! How was it that only the water surrounding her remained deep red?

I rubbed my eyes and watched intently as the second, third, and succeeding persons were baptized. Remarkably, this vision continued with each baptism. More interestingly, when an infant was immersed in the ocean, the color turned into a lighter shade of red. It then immediately changed back to deep red when it was an adult's turn. After the fourteenth person was baptized, the crimson color disappeared and the water was restored to its former turquoise blue.

At that moment, it dawned on me that the Lord Jesus had opened my eyes and allowed me to witness how His precious blood cleanses away all our sins in order for us to inherit God's kingdom. Then I lifted up my head and cried out to God, "Oh, Lord, forgive me! I now know You love the people of the world deeply. For our sake You were crucified and bled to wash the world's sins away. Those who believe and are baptized will be saved." On the way home, I couldn't help shedding many tears of thanksgiving. On the thirtieth day of the same month, I received the baptism of regeneration in Tainan, Taiwan.

Since then, I've come to realize that the key to the grace of the Lord is whether one believes. It is my sincere hope that through this personal experience of mine, everyone will come to know that the True Jesus Church indeed has God's abidance. May all the glory be given to the Lord Jesus Christ in heaven. Amen.

1. From this testimony, we know that the blood of Christ is present in the water during baptism. How should we live our lives after we are baptized? Give some examples.

2. God loved us so much that He sent His only Son to this world to die for us. List the things that you are thankful for. Make a determination to thank God in your prayer every night before you go to bed.

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 4—John the Baptist Prepares the Way and Jesus' Baptism

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 VersePlease write down this week's memory verse. **(Mark 16:15)**

Instructions: Answer the following questions or fill in the blanks.

1. What was John the Baptist's mission?

2. This verse emphasizes the difference between John's baptism and water baptism.

*"I indeed baptize you with water; but One _____ than I is coming, whose _____ strap**I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the _____ and _____." (Lk 3:16)*

3. What happened during the baptism of Jesus?

4. How should we live our lives after baptism?

LESSON 5

JESUS IS TEMPTED BY SATAN

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: Jesus Resists Temptation
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Facing Temptation
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: Putting On the Armor of God
- Homework

Jesus Resists Temptation

Instructions: Follow the lesson and fill in the blanks.



1st Temptation (Matthew 4:3)

"If You are the Son of God, _____ that these stones become _____."

Jesus' Response (Matthew 4:4)

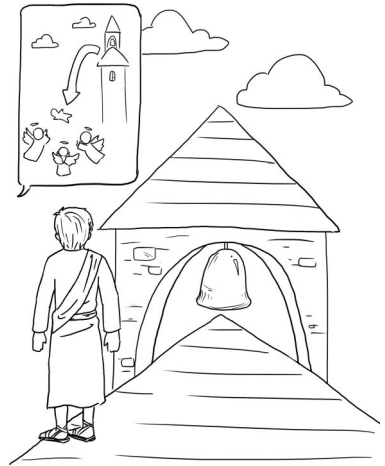
"But He answered and said, 'It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every _____ that proceeds from the mouth of _____."'"

2nd Temptation (Matthew 4:5-6)

"Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, 'If You are the Son of God, _____ Yourself down. For it is written: "He shall give His _____ charge over you," and, "In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone."'"

Jesus' Response (Matthew 4:7)

"Jesus said to him, 'It is written again, "You shall not _____ the Lord your _____."'"



3rd Temptation (Matthew 4:9)

"And he said to Him, 'All these things I will _____ You if You will fall down and _____ me.'"

Jesus' Response (Matthew 4:10)

"Then Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! For it is written, "You shall _____ the Lord your _____, and Him only you shall serve."'"

What does this Bible lesson teach us?

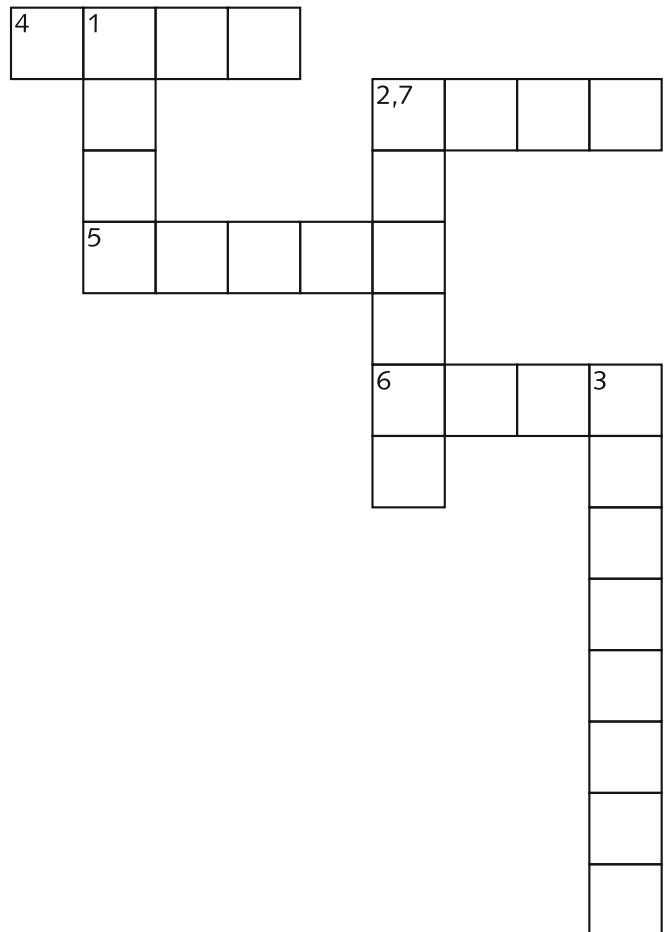
1. Overcome temptations with the _____ of God. In order to do so, we must learn, memorize, and _____ the word of God.
2. The devil left until an _____ time. We must always be _____ and alert.

Facing Temptation

Instructions: Read the following descriptions to find out who in the Bible also faced temptation.

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1. "God gave my wife and me a beautiful garden home and provided us with everything we needed. We were very happy. God's only rule was that we do not eat the fruit of two special trees in the garden. Although we had seen the trees and knew where to find them, we did not eat their fruit because God told us not to. Besides, there were so many other fruit trees that God allowed us to eat from; we already had such a wonderful and tasty variety, we really didn't need anymore! Everything was wonderful as we thankfully received what God had given us. But one day, we thought we knew better than God, so we ate the fruit from one of the special trees. Later, when God gave us a chance to admit what we had done, I blamed my wife and my wife blamed the serpent. Oh, how I wish we could have done things differently!"
2. "I resisted the temptation of my master's wife. I refused her advances and told her, 'How can I do such a wicked thing and sin against God?' She tried to corner me, so I ran out of the house! Thank God I did not sin against Him!"
3. "I am married to Abraham's nephew. We used to live with Abraham, but it was getting a bit crowded, so my husband chose to move our family to the beautiful and lush plains of the Jordan. We pitched our tents near Sodom, and eventually, moved into the city. One night, two men came and said that God was going to destroy our beautiful city on account of its wickedness! I couldn't believe my ears! I mean, were these men crazy or were they serious? Not wasting a moment, the men grasped our hands and led us out of the city. They told us to keep running and not look back. As we were fleeing, I thought of all my furniture, my clothes, and my valuable possessions—all soon to be ruined! With these thoughts in mind, I looked back and became the saltiest person in the world."



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4. "God looked more favorably upon my younger brother's sacrifice than mine. I was so jealous. My brother was always the favorite. Well, I just couldn't stand it anymore, so I attacked him and killed him when no one was watching. Later, God asked me where my younger brother was. I was afraid, so I lied."
5. "I grew up in Pharaoh's household and was given the best of everything: education, luxury, food, and drink. But I gave all of this up so that God could use me to lead His people out of slavery in Egypt."
6. "I was highly esteemed and well known among my peers, the Pharisees, because I had excellent training in the law and was a powerful speaker. After Lord Jesus chose me, I turned away from this fame and glory to suffer for His name. Before, I was the great persecutor of Christians; now, I am persecuted with them."
7. "My brother James and I both followed Jesus. When we accompanied our Lord to a Samaritan village, the Samaritans did not welcome us. My brother and I were outraged! How dare they treat us like that! Didn't they know that Jesus is the Savior? My brother and I lost our temper. We wanted to call down fire from heaven to destroy these unbelievers, but Jesus rebuked us."

Putting On the Armor of God

1. God's word is powerful and true.
I will diligently learn His word to overcome temptation.



2. I know that there are three types of temptation.
I will be watchful and alert since
temptation can come at anytime.
Read 1 John 2:16.

The three types of temptation are:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



3. I will also pray, keep my spiritual armor in good condition,
and put on the **armor of God** in order to overcome temptation.

The Full Armor of God

Read Ephesians 6:14-17 and fill in the blanks.

1. Gird _____ with _____
2. _____ of _____
3. _____ with the _____ of peace
4. _____ of _____
5. _____ of _____
6. _____ of the _____ (word of God)



Read Ephesians 6:18 and fill in the blank.

"_____ always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit,
being watchful to this end."

Case Study #1

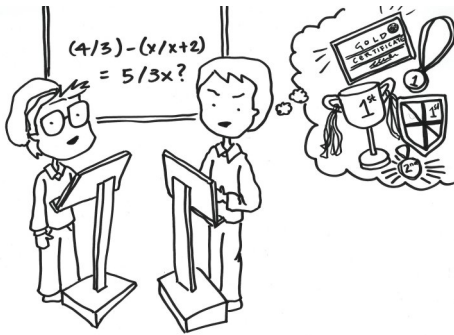
Kara and her friends liked to go to the mall on the weekends. When they were together, they liked to chat and shop for things. First, they would buy small things, like a shirt or two. But then, Kara's friends basically bought anything they wanted, no matter what the price was. Kara started feeling that she wanted to buy things, too. The more she bought, the more she wanted. She wanted to dress the way her friends did. But, on the inside, Kara started to realize that she had a strong urge to buy things that she didn't need. It seemed like she was addicted to shopping. When Kara was around her friends, it was hard to stop. They were all buying things, which made Kara want to buy things, too. Kara realized that she was always thinking about what to buy next.



1. What type of temptation is it?

2. Which piece of armor would you put on?

Case Study #2



Bill had always been good at math. As he grew older, he began to win competitions at school and even competed on the national level. At first, Bill competed in math competitions for fun. But then, every time he won a competition, he began to feel more and more proud. He felt that he deserved to win first place every time. He began to feel better than others. The more awards Bill received, the more he wanted. Then, at one competition, another student won first place. Bill became very angry, thinking that the judges made a mistake. He made the determination to win next year's competition in order to "prove everybody wrong."

1. What type of temptation is it?

2. Which piece of armor would you put on?

Case Study #3

Aiden loved playing video games. At first, Aiden just played a few minutes when he had some free time. Then, the minutes turned into hours and Aiden began to play every day. When Aiden wasn't playing video games, he was thinking about them. Often, he would think about the video games in school. One day after school, Aiden's friend called and asked if he wanted to come over and play video games. Aiden knew that he had to finish his homework first. His parents had set that rule a long time ago. Aiden felt a huge struggle.



1. What type of temptation is it?

2. Which piece of armor would you put on?

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 5—Jesus Is Tempted by Satan

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. (2 Timothy 3:16)

Life Application Questions

1. Jesus faced all three types of temptation from Satan, and He overcame all of them with the word of God.

A. List out the temptations.**B. Did you face any temptations this week? If so, what types of temptations were they? How did you overcome them? (If you didn't encounter any temptations this week, name a temptation that you encountered in the past and how you overcame it.)**

A. List the temptations (1 John 2:16)

B. What type of temptation

How I overcame it

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

2. We learned to keep our spiritual armor in good condition, in use or out of use, in order to overcome temptation.

Read Ephesians 6:14-17 and write each piece of armor down. How did you keep your spiritual armor in good condition this week? What action(s) did you take?

Armor

How?

Actions

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

3. Since it is so important to know God's word, let's learn, memorize, and practice it. **Write down Psalm 119:103-104, 1 Peter 1:25, and Romans 12:2.**

LESSON 6

THE BEATITUDES

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: The Beatitudes
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1, 2, 3, and 4: Living the Beatitudes
- Homework

The Beatitudes

Beatitude	Meaning	Blessings
Verse 3: Blessed are the poor in spirit...	Someone who is poor in spirit longs _____ because their spirit is in need of fulfillment.	If they seek after God and put their trust in God, then Jesus promises them the _____.
Verse 4: Blessed are those who mourn...	Jesus talks about people who mourn the _____ and fears of life and those who mourn because of godly sorrow from the _____ of sin.	If they seek after God, then Jesus will _____ them.
Verse 5: Blessed are the meek...	Those who are meek are _____ and _____.	If the meek continue to trust and seek after God, because God is faithful, they will _____.
Verse 6: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness...	This refers to those who persistently seek _____ in prayer and in _____. They want to pursue what is right in God's eyes.	If people hunger and thirst for God and want to do what is right in the eyes of God, they will be _____.
Verse 7: Blessed are the merciful...	To be merciful means to show _____ and to be _____, kind, and caring to others.	If we show mercy when others need it, we will also be shown _____ by both God and man.
Verse 8: Blessed are the pure in heart...	If we want to be pure in heart, we must pursue _____.	If we keep ourselves holy, we shall see _____.
Verse 9: Blessed are the peacemakers...	Peacemakers are those who want to settle and resolve things between man and man without _____.	These people will have a nature like God and they will be called _____.
Verse 10: Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake...	This talks about the physical, mental, and emotional suffering related to being _____.	God will acknowledge their _____ and their blessing is the _____.

Living the Beatitudes

Instructions: Read each short passage and answer the questions. Open your Bibles to Matthew, chapter 5 to help answer the questions.

1. Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Jane's family needed to move to another town. The area around their home had become too noisy and busy. But so far, nothing had been going according to their plans. There had been no buyers who wanted their home, they had to sell this house before they could move to a new one, and the new school year was approaching fast. Time was running out. They tried everything. It was at this point that Jane's family recognized that their plans were not going smoothly. They realized that they must ask God for help and put their full trust in Him. They prayed day and night, pouring out their needs to God. Thank God, two weeks later, they received an offer on the house and were able to move to a new home in time for the new school year.



What can we learn from this family? What is the promise and blessing from God?

When should we be poor in spirit?

Our Goal: Let's make a determination to be poor in spirit constantly, always longing after God or helping those around us to seek after God when they are poor in spirit.

2. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Greg's grandmother recently passed away from a stroke. She had been so dear to Greg, even since childhood. Greg's parents told this news to him and he felt so sad. He ran into his room and started crying. His parents also went into his room, comforted him and encouraged him to call on God for help. During that prayer, everyone prayed so earnestly in the power of the Holy Spirit and at the end of that long prayer, Greg knew that God had comforted him.

What can we learn from Greg and his family? What is the promise and blessing from God?

When should we mourn?



Our Goal: Let us remember that God is the great Comforter. When we experience spiritual pain and sorrow, we can rely on God. When we do something wrong, we can ask God for mercy and forgiveness.

3. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Frank needed to play the piano for the Friday night service at church. It was his first time and he was very nervous. He had already practiced the two hymns ahead of time and was ready, but he was still anxious and afraid of messing up. He finally decided that he had already done his part and now he had to rely and fully trust in God to help him. Before the service began, he asked his parents to take him to church fifteen minutes early so that he could pray and rely on God even more.

What can we learn from Frank? What is the promise and blessing from God?



**What are the things in your life that you must trust God with?
How can you be humble and meek?**

Our Goal: We must remember that we must be humble and gentle in all that we do. God is always greater than us and we must remember to put our trust in God.

4. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

Ever since Jackie came back from SSC, she has been reading the Bible more and praying more. Now, she also enjoys listening to hymns instead of the worldly music she listened to before. She has also made a determination to watch less television. She desires to seek God with all her heart, knowing that there are many temptations in school and that she wants to do right in the eyes of God.

What can we learn from Jackie? What is the promise and blessing from God?



What are some things you can do every day to satisfy your hunger and quench your thirst for righteousness?

Our Goal: We must try to lead a balanced life. If we do a lot of “worldly” things, such as watch TV, play video games, or read unedifying novels, we must set aside time, no matter where we are, for God. That means putting down what we’re doing and praying or reading the Bible, listening to or playing hymns, etc.

5. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

During lunchtime at church one afternoon, Kenny saw a 4-year-old child named Ben fall and skin his knee a little. Ben started to cry, but his parents and no one else were around. Kenny was about to simply walk by and let his parents or someone else find him. But, he had compassion on Ben and helped him up. He also took a bandage from the first aid kit for him. Then, he helped Ben find his parents.

Two weeks later, Kenny got really sick and had to stay home from school. He had a fever and his stomach kept hurting. None of the medicine he was taking was helping. He decided to pray to God for mercy during this time of sickness and about an hour later, he was feeling much better.

What can we learn from Kenny? What is the promise and blessing from God?

When are some times where we need to show mercy to others?



Our Goal: It is very important to remember that if we want mercy and forgiveness from God, we must first show mercy and forgiveness to others—at home, at school, and at church.

6. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Justin's school friend Tom wanted him to go over to his house after school to watch a violent horror film. Justin knew that this movie was full of violence and that it was rated R because it had a lot of curse words. Justin decided not to go to his friend's house, instead telling his friend that he had a lot of homework and chores to do.

What can we learn from Justin? What is the promise and blessing from God?

How can we keep a pure heart?



Our Goal: When we encounter situations that challenge our holiness and the purity of our hearts, we must keep God in our hearts and rely on God. We should also try to ask ourselves this question: "What would Jesus do?"

7. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Preston would always get angry and yell at his younger sister for taking his toys and games without asking. His younger sister would also borrow his pencils and break them by accident. In retaliation, he would go over and find something of his sister's and break it, too. His parents kept telling him that he should not pick on his younger sister. Preston learned about this Beatitude during SSC and decided to ask God to help him control his anger so that he could be a peacemaker instead. Therefore, after SSC, with help from his parents, he talked with his sister about other people's property and resolved their situation without fighting or yelling.

What can we learn from Preston? What is the promise and blessing from God?



How should we be peacemakers? Do you ever have fights or conflicts with other people, your friends, or your family? How will you apply this Beatitude to those tough problems that you have with other people?

Our Goal: Jesus is the Prince of Peace. We should try to be more like Jesus—He never fought or hurt the people who accused Him and persecuted Him. He didn't even fight with those who wanted to kill Him. We must keep the peace of Jesus in our hearts every day.

8. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.



It was Halloween and Wesley was the only one in his school's class that did not wear a costume because it was against the teachings of the Bible. He felt a little left out and his friends kept making fun of him for being different, which made him feel even worse. But deep down inside, Wesley knew that this was the right thing to do in God's eyes. He didn't want to conform to the pattern of this world. Therefore, he determined that no matter how hard his friends laughed at him, he would stand his ground.

What can we learn from Wesley? What is the promise and blessing from God?

What should we do to prepare ourselves for persecution? How will you stand up for your faith and keep the commandments of God?

Our Goal: Remember that we must set ourselves apart from others. We cannot do some of the things others in the world do. Being righteous means we must do the right thing and rely on God to help us stand up for righteousness and make it clear that we follow the teachings of Christ.

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 6—The Beatitudes

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. (Psalm 94:12)

Instructions: Try your best to memorize the Beatitudes and then fill in the blanks.

Blessed are the _____ in _____,
for theirs is the _____ of _____.

Blessed are those who _____,
for they shall be _____.

Blessed are the _____,
for they shall _____ the earth.

Blessed are those who _____ and _____ for righteousness,
for they shall be _____.

Blessed are the _____,
for they shall obtain _____.

Blessed are the _____,
for they shall see _____.

Blessed are the _____,
for they shall be called _____.

Blessed are those who are _____ for _____' sake,
for theirs is the _____ of _____.

LESSON 7

JESUS AND NICODEMUS, AND THE SAMARITAN WOMAN'S REBIRTH

Worksheets

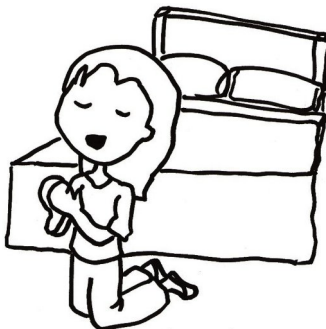
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: The Holy Spirit: Our Helper
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: An Undercover Visit
- Life Application Worksheet #1: Dying to My Old Self and Understanding Spiritual Rebirth
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Worship God in Spirit and Truth
- Homework

The Holy Spirit: Our Helper

Instructions: Look up each of the following Bible passages. In your own words, describe what the passage says about how the Holy Spirit will help us.

John 16:7, 13	
Romans 8:26-27	
Ephesians 1:17	
Matthew 10:18-20	
1 Corinthians 12:4, 7, 11	
Hebrews 2:1 2 Timothy 1:13-14	

If you have not received the Holy Spirit, **pray hard** for the Holy Spirit.



If you have received the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit is your helper, so pray for the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

An Undercover Visit

Instructions: Unscramble the words to complete the sentence. Then find where they are hidden in the word search.

1. We must be _____ and receive the _____ to enter the kingdom of God.
(dzipabeti) (lyHo) (tipirS)
2. Jesus compared the Holy Spirit to the _____ of the _____.
(wignlob) (dwin)
3. Flesh gives birth to _____ but the Spirit gives birth to _____.
(shfel) (ptsiri)
4. We must _____ to God for the Holy Spirit.
(apyr)
5. The Holy Spirit descended _____ days after Jesus had _____.
(tifyf) (erudsrcetre)



Dying to My Old Self and Understanding Spiritual Rebirth

Let's learn what "rebirth" is from today's lesson.

"Jesus answered and said to him, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.'" (John 3:3)

Eternal life begins at the moment when we are baptized in the living water—this is also called "spiritual rebirth." When we are baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, we are reborn because of all the sins one washed away.

Spiritual rebirth means "dying to your old self." Let's read Romans 6:3. "Or do you not know that as many of us were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?" Now, let's read verse 6. "Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin." Do you know that we can be slaves of sin if we don't die to our old selves? List some of the things that we can be enslaved to:

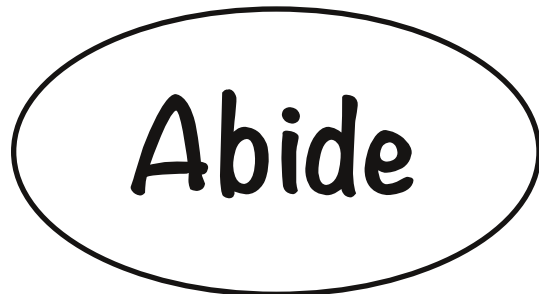
1. I can be enslaved to _____.
2. I can be enslaved to _____.
3. I can be enslaved to _____.

How can we have victory? Fill in the blanks as you read 1 John 3:6. "Whoever abides in Him does not _____." Let's continue to read verse 9. "Whoever has been born of God does not _____."

That means we need to _____ in Jesus all the time. That's how we can die to our old self!

How can we abide in Jesus? Name some ways below.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____



Short Testimony from an E2 Student

After returning from Student Spiritual Convocation, a sister shared with her RE teacher that she made a determination to pray for at least five minutes every day before leaving for school, because she had a strong desire to abide in Jesus all the time. Students, we can also do the same and abide with Jesus in prayer at the start of our day!

Abide In Jesus!

*Determine to pray at least 5 minutes
every day!*

Worship God in Spirit and Truth

What does it mean to worship in God in spirit and in truth?

1. To worship God "in spirit" means to have the right purpose of honoring God. Our worship must _____ God.

1 Corinthians 6:20 says, "For you were bought with a price, therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's."

In order to worship God "in spirit," we must take the time to examine our hearts. He is our Creator and we need to "fear" Him. We should not rush in our worship, or arrive late; rather, we should plan to arrive there early so that we can worship God with a proper mindset to show reverence and respect to God. Worshiping God must be sincere from our heart. Mark 7:6 tells us, "This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me."

2. We must worship God in truth, according to His word. In the Bible, God has given to us all the things that we need to know which pertain to life and godliness, so that we can worship Him.

2 Peter 1:3 "As His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness through the knowledge of Him who called us."

There are a lot of false teachings today that are being passed off as the truth. But the Bible is the only truth that teaches us how to live for God. We must use the word of God as we worship. Furthermore, we must know the teachings in the Bible in order to go to heaven.

When we worship God, we must do so in _____ and in _____.

Let's read the following scenarios and decide whether or not the students below were able to worship in spirit and in truth.

1. Kevin had just finished his school week and couldn't wait to play video games after school. He rushed home and started playing that one level he was trying to beat. He kept playing for hours and was only ten points away from winning until his mom called him to go to church. Reluctantly, Kevin put down the controller and went to church with his parents. At church, Kevin was unable to concentrate on the sermon because he kept replaying the video game level over and over again in his head. **So, even though Kevin was physically at church, do you think Kevin was truly worshipping God when his mind was filled with thoughts of video games? What could Kevin have done differently?**
2. Margaret had a big science project due on Monday. It was Friday and she had already spent over an hour looking up information on the Internet. She was still working on finishing the project after dinner when her mom called her to go to church. She only had a little more to go, but she knew that she had to go to church, so she left her project at home unfinished. While she was praying at church and listening to the sermon, Margaret could only think about her project and what she needed to do to finish it. **Do you think Margaret was truly worshipping God when she kept thinking about her science project while at church? What could Margaret have done differently?**
3. Cody had a big swim meet before church on Saturday morning. He had been practicing for this meet for months and his goal was to win first place. Much to his sadness, Cody came in second place, and even though his parents were proud of him, he still couldn't stop thinking about first place. After the meet, Cody's family went to church and Cody went to sit in the first pew, as usual. However, during the sermon, Cody could only think about how he didn't win first place and he couldn't concentrate on writing his sermon notes. During prayer, Cody was filled with anger and sadness, so he was unable to focus on God. **Even though Cody was taking notes and praying, do you think Cody was truly worshipping God while being filled with anger at church? What could Cody have done differently?**

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 7—Jesus and Nicodemus, and the Samaritan Woman's Rebirth

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. (John 3:5)

1. What does it mean to be born of water and the Spirit?
2. What is the evidence of receiving the Holy Spirit?
3. In what ways can the Holy Spirit help you in your daily life?
4. Nicodemus came to see Jesus by night. He may have been afraid to let his peers see him talk with Jesus. Are you afraid to let your friends and peers know that you believe in Jesus Christ? How do you think you can encourage yourself or others to overcome this fear?
5. Nicodemus and the Samaritan woman seem like two people who come from very different worlds. Can you list some differences or similarities between them? What can this teach you about God's salvation?

LESSON 8

THE WAY TO THE HEAVENLY KINGDOM

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: The Way to the Heavenly Kingdom
- Life Application Worksheet #1: Bearing Good Fruit
- Life Application Worksheet #2: Slow to Anger
- Life Application Worksheet #3: Doing the Right Thing
- Life Application Worksheet #4: The Three Steps to Victory in Christ
- Homework

The Way to the Heavenly Kingdom

Teaching	Meaning
Verse 14: For wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.	The wide gate and the broad way represent the _____. This path is _____ to take, but it leads to _____.
Verse 14: Enter by the narrow gate	The way that leads to _____ is _____. This path is for the people who follow Christ's _____ and God's _____.
Verses 15-20: What is bearing "good fruit"?	A good fruit refers to good _____ or behavior. The Bible lists the fruit of the Spirit as "_____, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, _____, gentleness, self-control."
Verses 15-20: What is a "good tree"?	A person who always examines themselves _____ to make sure that they have good _____, and that they listen to and _____ the word of God daily.
Verses 24-27: Who is the rock and who is the house?	
Verses 24-27: What do the people who build their house on the rock do?	People who build on the rock _____ the word of God and put it into _____.
Verses 24-27: What do the rain, the flood, and the winds refer to?	These refer to any form of a trial or _____ that may come to any one of us. This includes persecution, the many _____ of this world, being deceived by money and riches, etc.
Conclusion	The way to the heavenly kingdom is about obeying God's _____ and living out God's _____.

Bearing Good Fruit

Instructions: Read the short testimony and answer the questions below.

There was a very hardworking couple in our church. They owned a restaurant and did their best every day to run their business. They opened every day except Saturday, the Sabbath day. For any restaurant owner, this would be a foolish thing to do, as the weekends are the busiest days of the week because more people have time to go out. Thus, Saturday would be one of the days when they would make the most money. However, they knew that they had to keep the Sabbath holy and not do any work that day. They did not worry that they would lose money. Every Saturday, they attended service all day at church while the other restaurants around their area stayed open.



Each Sunday, they would open their restaurant again. Something miraculous always happened: they noticed that on Sundays they made double the amount of money. They gained the extra amount that they lost from closing on Saturdays. How wonderful!

God was showing them that if they make the right choices in their lives, obey God's command, and live out God's word, there is nothing to worry about.

*"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
and all these things shall be added to you." (Mt 6:33)*

Questions

1. What did the couple do on Saturday? What happened the next day on Sunday, when the couple reopened the restaurant?
2. Which path is this couple traveling on, the narrow or the wide? What is the evidence?
3. This couple bore good fruit because they had good motives and _____ to and _____ the word of God daily.
4. How is this couple like people who build their house on the rock?
5. Think of a time when you had to choose between the narrow path and the wide path. Explain which path you chose and why you chose that particular path.

Slow to Anger

Instructions: Read the story below and answer the questions that follow.

Terry loved his little brother, but found him to be very annoying at times. One day while Terry was away at school, his little brother got into his room, took everything out of the closet and piled it all on the bed.

When Terry got home and found the mess, he flew into an angry rage. He stormed around the house looking for him, but when he could not find his brother, he became even angrier. Finally, he found his brother playing in the neighbor's yard. He yelled at him, "Did you come in my room and mess everything up?"

His little brother, shaking with fear, said, "Yes, I was in your room, but I..."

"Why were you in my room?" Terry snapped back. "Why are you touching my stuff? You took everything out and didn't put anything back!"

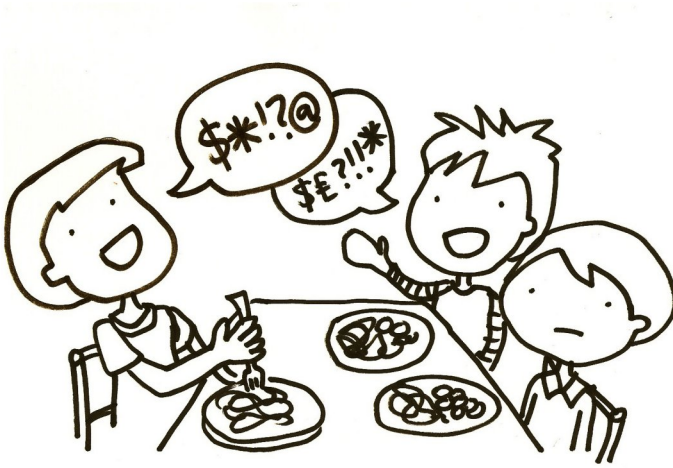
Terry's brother continued, "I didn't mess up your room. I was cleaning the closet for you. Some food fell inside your closet and it started to smell."

**Questions**

1. How do you think Terry felt after his little brother explained why he was in his room?
2. Feeling anger is not wrong, but how might Terry have reacted to the mess in his bedroom if he had correctly understood the situation?
3. Did you ever become angry quickly, only to find out later that you misunderstood the situation?

Doing the Right Thing

Instructions: Read the scenario below and answer the questions that follow.



During lunch time at school, Greg and his two friends, Jin and Kris, are eating together when Jin says, "Jesus Christ! I swear to God, I hate school lunches." "Yeah, it tastes like crap," Kris agrees.

Greg thinks the food tastes terrible, too, but he is struggling with what he should say. He remembers learning in RE class that swearing, cursing, and using the Lord's name in vain is wrong. So, he mutters, "Yeah, school lunches are for pigs."

Greg also notices that his classmates mutter curse words under their breath all the time during class. They are not allowed to say those words in front of the teachers, but Greg still hears them say it to one another. During gym class, Greg's friends also swear

and curse when the gym teacher makes them do a rope climbing exercise, which is very difficult and not fun at all.

Hearing his friends say these bad words all the time, there are times when Greg is tempted to follow his friends in saying these things. Still, he always tries hard to resist. He knows that swearing is against the teaching of God. Eventually, Greg's friends notice that he doesn't curse at all, so they try not to do it so much in front of him.

Questions

1. How did Greg do the right thing?
2. What is the commandment from Exodus 20:7 about?
3. Do your friends also use bad words or swear? Are you ever tempted to say the same things they do?

Colossians 4:6 "Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one."

Exodus 20:7 "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain."

The Three Steps to Victory in Christ

Instructions: Read Colossians 3:1-10, 12-14. Fill in the blanks in the tables below.

Step 1: Take Off Our Old Self

List the things that you would like to get rid of, such as anger, lies, and things of the world. Try to be as specific as possible.

Old Self	
1.	4.
2.	5.
3.	6.

Step 2: Put On Christ

Step 3: Renew Our Minds

In the first column below, briefly describe how you will take off the old things listed in Step 1 above. In the second column, list some things you will do to renew yourself daily, such as read the Bible, spend time practicing God's word at home (by doing chores or helping your parents), set aside time in prayer, or ask for the fullness of the Holy Spirit to grant you the strength to put off your old self and renew your mind.

How I Will Remove the Old Self	Ways I Will Renew My Mind
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 8—The Way to the Heavenly Kingdom

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 VersePlease write down this week's memory verse. **(Matthew 6:33)**

True or False

1. The broad way is the most difficult. _____
2. On our way to heaven, we must stay on the path less traveled and enter through the narrow gate. _____
3. Doing God's will is of the upmost importance. _____

Short Answer

4. What do the broad way and wide gate refer to? Is this the easy path or the difficult path?
5. What do the narrow way and narrow gate refer to? Is this the easy path or the difficult path?
6. How can we become a "good tree"?

Fill In the Blank

7. Jesus mentions that _____ God's _____ is of the upmost importance.
8. We must build ourselves on the rock. The rock represents _____.
9. The beating of the rain, the floods, and the winds refers to the _____ that may come to any one of us. Those includes persecution, the many _____ of this world, or being deceived by _____ and riches.

LESSON 9

THE LAST SUPPER

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet #1: The Last Supper
- Bible Discovery Worksheet #2: Holy Communion and Footwashing
- Life Application Worksheet: What God Teaches Matters the Most
- Homework

The Last Supper

Instructions: The passages relevant to the Last Supper are listed in the left column. In the right column, use one sentence to summarize what happened.

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Section 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jn 13:1-20 	
Section 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt 26:31-35 • Mk 14:27-31 • Lk 22:31-34 	
Section 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mt 26:36-46 • Mk 14:32-42 • Lk 22:39-46 	

Holy Communion

Action (What did Jesus do?) (Mt 26:26-27; Mk 14:22-23; Lk 22:19-20)	
Physical objects (What did Jesus use?) (Mt 26:26-29; Mk 14:22-25; Lk 22:19-20)	
What do these become spiritually? (Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20)	
Spiritual effects (Jn 6:54-56)	

The Holy Communion makes use of only one piece of bread. This is because _____
 _____ (1 Cor 10:17).

Footwashing

Action (Jn 13:5)	
Physical object(s) (Jn 13:5)	
Spiritual effect (Jn 13:8)	

Questions

1. What were the believers doing wrong during Holy Communion? Read 1 Corinthians 11:20-34.
2. What happened to these believers who did not take Holy Communion seriously?
3. What are we actually doing when we hold Holy Communion (1 Cor 11:24-26)?

Fill In the Blanks

1. "He _____ them to the end." (Jn 13:1)
2. The psalmist is not literally talking about keeping his feet from walking into evil. Here, the feet refer to his _____ or behavior. (Ps 119:101)
3. We need to spiritually walk towards God every moment by growing in _____ day by day.
4. This shows Jesus' _____. In church, Jesus wants us to serve one another, just as He served us.
5. Jesus already knew that _____ was going to betray Him.
6. Jesus was willing to show _____ to Judas.

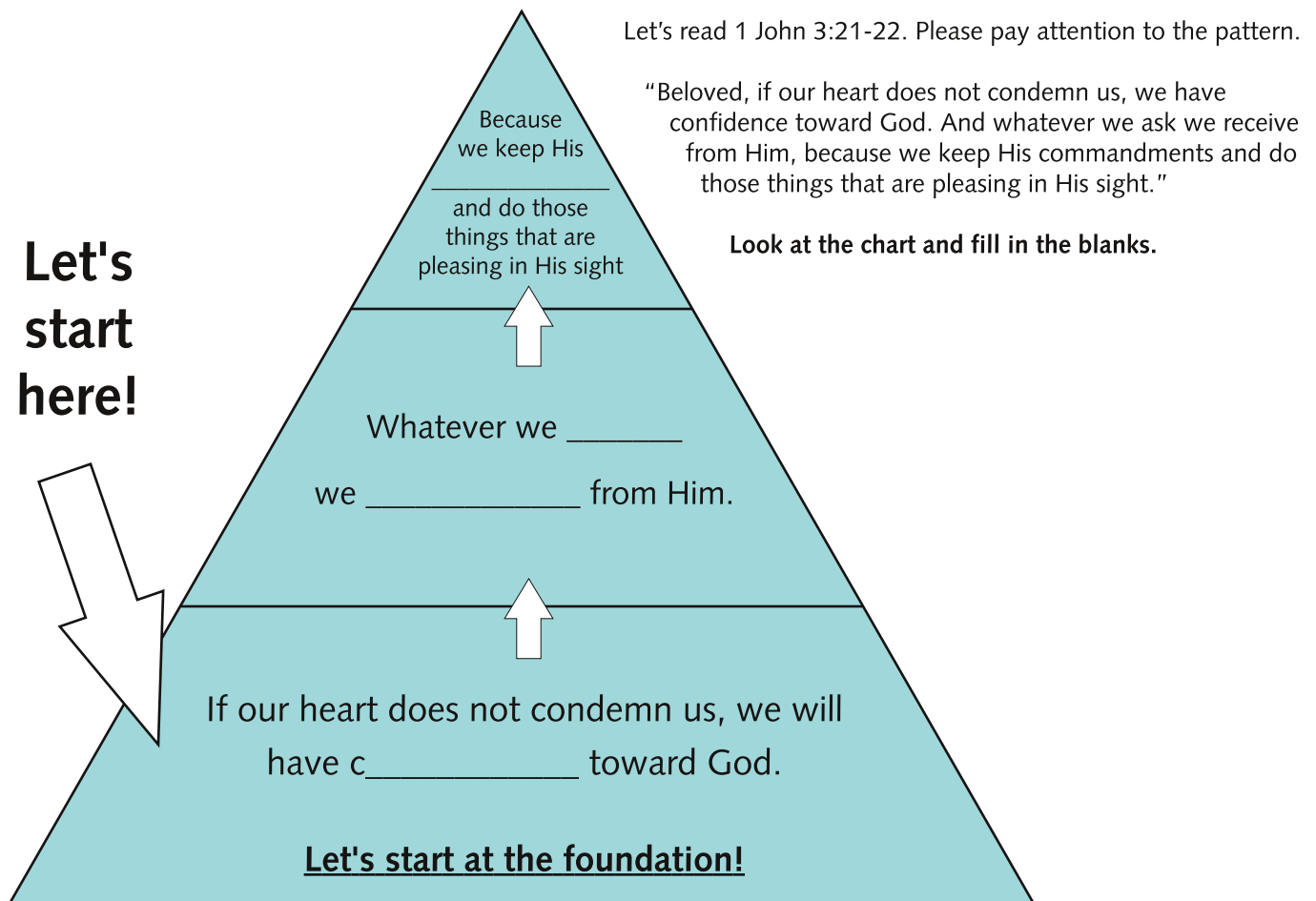
What God Teaches Matters the Most

As Christians, we need to trust in God to give us the strength and wisdom to produce the needed changes in ourselves. God already showed us His everlasting love by dying on the cross for us and sending His word upon us. He also washed His disciples' feet so that we could be cleansed and have a part in Him. We need to keep growing!

It is so important for us to study God's word regularly so that we can know what it means to follow Christ and to grow in Him. This way, we will have a growing understanding of the truth. So, the next time you find yourself wondering, "Am I really a follower of Christ?", just ask yourself this question: "Is love a priority in my life?"

Romans 13:10 records, "Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law." That's an incredible statement! In other words, someone who understands God's love will:

1. Forgive others instead of holding grudges (Who do you need to forgive?)
2. Honor their parents (How are you going to honor your parents this week?)
3. Love those who are difficult to love (Who do you need to love?)
4. Sacrifice their time and money for others (Who needs your time and money?)
5. Ask God to help them be a loving person toward their family (Who can you be loving toward?)



E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 9—The Last Supper

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. (John 13:8)

1. What happened at Passover (recorded in Exodus 12)? What were the Jews remembering?

2. ____ : What are the teachings of the Holy Communion?

- Oneness, purity, and the covenant
- Oneness, flesh, and blood
- Flesh, blood, and fullness of life

3. ____ : What are the spiritual effects when we partake of the Holy Communion?

- We will be raised on the last day.
- We will have Jesus abide in us.
- All of the above.

4. What is the purpose of having the Sacrament of Footwashing?

5. What can we learn from Footwashing? Name three teachings.

6. Why is it so important for us to study God's word regularly?

LESSON 10

JESUS' PRAYER IN THE GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: Jesus' Prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane
- Life Application Worksheet, Pages 1 and 2: Case Study: Turn to God, or Rely on Yourself?
- Homework

Jesus' Prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane

Read Matthew 26:37-38.

Jesus took Peter, James, and John to the garden of Gethsemane.

Why was Jesus sorrowful and distressed? _____

Read verse 39. Jesus prayed to God to take away "this cup" from Him. What is the "cup" referring to?

The cup referred to the _____ that He was about to _____.

Read verses 40-45. After Jesus woke them up, what did He say?

"Could you not watch with Me one hour? _____ and _____, lest you enter into _____.

The spirit indeed is _____, but the flesh is _____."

Read Luke 22:43-44.

Here, an _____ appeared to Him from heaven, _____ Him. Then, Jesus prayed so earnestly that His _____ became great drops of _____ falling down to the ground.

The Garden of Gethsemane

Instructions: Find the words below in the word search.

AGONY

ANGEL

BETRAY

BLOOD

CUP

DISCIPLES

EAR

FATHER

HEALED

JESUS

JUDAS

KISS

KNELT

WILL

TEMPTATION

MOUNT OF OLIVES

PRAY

SLEEPING

SWEAT

SWORD

YOURS



Case Study: Turn to God, or Rely on Yourself?

Alana is a 6th grade student in school. She has always achieved good grades in class and is well liked by everyone. One day, she was working on her big science project. It was a difficult project and it took Alana an entire month to compile all the data. As the project was due in two days, Alana was anxious to get it completed. After working on it for hours, she took a break and went out of her room. As she returned, she realized that she had accidentally knocked a glass of water over her laptop, causing the laptop to completely stop working. She could no longer access any of her work.

What would you do if you were Alana?

Later, Alana's brother told her that he did the same project two years ago and that she could just copy it. Alana was not sure about this idea, so she turned to you for advice.

What advice would you give Alana?

Testimony

Below is a testimony from a sister in Australia. She learned from her mother that through prayer, God will give us strength to face difficulties in life and that His grace always surpasses our understanding!

Every time my mother sees me playing the piano, she always reminds me of how I am so blessed that I still have my hearing today.

When I was a 6-month-old baby, my intestines were infected by bacteria called pseudomonas, which was a very aggressive type of bacteria that had taken the life of many young children back in the 1970s. My father, who was a pediatrician, had treated children with this type of infection in the hospital before. After he realized that his own daughter was suffering from the same infection, he told my mother to prepare herself for the worst; it was very unlikely that a six-month-old baby would be able to survive this type of infection. Even if she did survive, due to the side effects of the antibiotics used, she would most likely become deaf.

My mother was very upset when she heard the news, and it was also very difficult for her to watch her little baby having intravenous drips and needles injected into her little arms and legs every day, but my parents kept on praying for me. My mother also called her parents and the church to intercede for me. My mother had to look after my older brother and me by herself during the day, and my father had to go to work in the morning and come home to a sick baby. They took turns to stay by my side at all times, as they were scared that my condition could worsen at any time and that my life would slip away. My mother later recounted that she could not remember how they managed to survive those sleepless nights, or how my brother—who was only 4 years old then—was so understanding. He never cried or complained, and once even ate plain rice from the rice cooker when he was hungry, because he didn't want to disturb our parents! My mother knew that it was God who helped them through this time of trial, and that despite my illness, God protected and preserved the family. It was also through the prayers of many brothers and sisters that our family was able to walk through this difficult time. My mother told me she knew that her only hope was in God, and that only God could help her little baby.

God is truly a God who listens to prayers. A month passed and my condition gradually got better. At this time, my mother started to worry about my hearing. She thanked God that I had survived the infection, but she prepared herself to raise a deaf daughter. She would often call out to me from behind to see if I would respond. It wasn't until I started to learn to speak that she realized that my hearing was still intact!

As I grew up, my mother always reminded me that my life and my hearing were special gifts given by God, and that I should not forget to use my life to serve Him. I really thank God for giving me the opportunity to grow up healthy. I also really thank my parents for raising me up in the Lord, and I hope I can remember the grace of God all the days of my life. May the glory and praise be unto Him forever. Amen.

Try to imagine the many emotions this sister's parents must have felt at the time. What kinds of prayers do you think they made? What would you do if you were going through something like this? Many times in our lives, we will encounter challenges that seem too big to overcome, or encounter situations where we feel upset or alone. It is in these times that we should learn to rely even more on God. If we place our burdens before Him, God will always listen to our prayers and give us the strength to face challenges that come our way.

There are also times when we feel like our prayers aren't being heard, and we subsequently complain to God. But we should first examine ourselves:

- **How earnest was my prayer to God?**
- **How persistent was my prayer?**

In the Bible, it teaches us that we should pray without ceasing (1 Th 5:17). To pray without ceasing means to pray constantly. Additionally, Ephesians 6:18 (NIV) warns us to "stay alert and be persistent in your prayers."

What does it mean to be persistent in our prayers?

To be persistent in prayer means to pray over and over again. Being persistent really helps us to focus our attention. When we pray for a prayer request repeatedly, we are not praying to remind God. He doesn't need to be reminded. It's to remind ourselves who's the source of our answers and the source of our needs. Persistent prayer keeps us **focused** on God!

What is the benefit of persistent prayer?

Imagine that every time you prayed, you instantly got results. If that happened, each time you prayed, you would only think about the blessing. God wants us to think about the One who gives blessings, who is God Himself. God wants us to focus on Him. Therefore, sometimes, He holds back the answer to force us to focus on Him because He is the source of all our needs.

Since God is the source of all our needs, we should be asking Him to help us with our needs, not looking to other people to meet our needs. We look to our families and our friends to make us feel good. Meanwhile, God is saying, "Why aren't you looking to Me?"

Never give up in prayer!

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 10—Jesus' Prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane

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. (Psalm 28:7a)

1. Jesus prayed very earnestly in the garden of Gethsemane. What was the content of His prayer?

2. What are two things that you have learned from Jesus' prayer?

Fill In the Blanks: Luke 22:42-46

3. "'Father, if it is Your will, take this _____ away from Me; nevertheless not _____ will, but _____, be done.'"

4. "Then an _____ appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him."

5. "His sweat became like great drops of _____ falling to the ground."

6. "When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them _____ from sorrow."

7. "Then He said to them, 'Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into _____.'"

LESSON 11

JESUS IS CRUCIFIED

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: Jesus Is Crucified
- Life Application Worksheet #1: The Seven Sayings
- Life Application Worksheet #2: The Qualities of Jesus
- Homework

Jesus Is Crucified

Jesus is put on trial before the Jewish and Roman authorities.

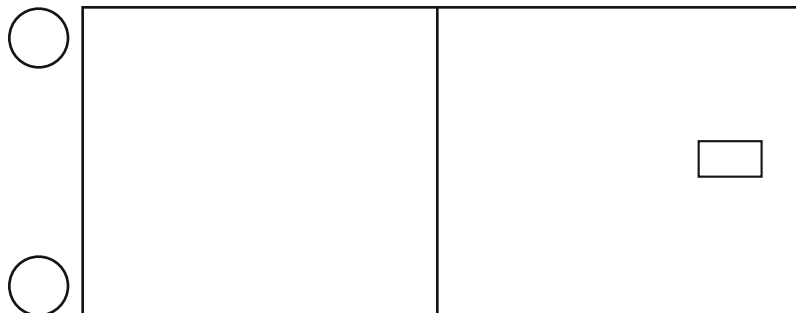
1. While Jesus was standing before the Sanhedrin, the Jewish leaders brought several _____ forward to try and convict Him. However, Jesus was _____, and could not be convicted until He Himself spoke, saying, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven" (Mt 26:64).
2. Did Pilate find Jesus guilty?
3. What did Pilate marvel at?

Jesus carries the cross to Golgotha.

1. Before being crucified, Jesus was _____ after His trial before the Sanhedrin, and _____ after His trial before Pilate.
2. What did the soldiers do to Jesus afterwards?
3. Jesus had to _____ His cross to _____.

Jesus is crucified.

1. Of the miracles that occurred at the time of Jesus' death, which one is particularly important for us?
2. In the diagram of the temple below, label the Holy of Holies and the veil.



3. Jesus allowed Himself to be nailed to the cross because He knew that without His sacrifice, men would not be able to communicate with God. Now, because of His death, we can obtain _____.

The Seven Sayings

Did you know? When Jesus was still suffering on the cross, He spoke what we call today "the seven sayings." Using the reference verses below, find them and write them down, and then give a brief summary of the situation. An example has been given to help you get started.

Verse	What Jesus Said	The Situation
Matthew 27:45-46	"Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" ("My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?")	Jesus was crying out to God because He was bearing all of our sins and was experiencing the darkness and pain of being separated completely from God.
Luke 23:32-34		
Luke 23:39-43		
John 19:25-27		
John 19:28-29		
Luke 23:45-46		
John 19:30		

The Qualities of Jesus

From the qualities we discussed just now, pick out three qualities you want to improve on and write them in the left column. In the right column, write how you plan on improving those qualities. In other words, write down your action plan for improving yourself as a Christian.

Jesus:

- was submissive to God's will
- was compassionate
- yearned for God
- interceded for persecutors
- showed filial piety
- endured while performing God's will
- loved

Quality	Action Plan (How I will improve on this quality)

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 11—Jesus Is Crucified

Homework Assignment

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Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory VersePlease write down this week's memory verse. **(Romans 6:23)**

Short Answer

1. In the Old Testament, what did the Jews have to do to remove their sins? What was wrong with this method?

2. What was God's solution to the above problem?

3. What miracles occurred when Jesus died?

4. Which miracle is important to us? What did it represent?

True or False

5. Jesus defended Himself to the very end. _____

6. Jesus was completely innocent, and had no sins to be charged guilty of. _____

7. In order to remove sin, blood has to be shed. _____

8. Even before Jesus' death, we already had the chance of obtaining eternal life. _____

LESSON 12

JESUS IS RISEN AND HE IS WITH US

Worksheets

- Bible Discovery Worksheet: Jesus Is Risen and He Is with Us!
- Life Application Worksheet #1: Prove It!!
- Life Application Worksheet #2: I've Got the Power!
- Homework

Jesus Is Risen and He Is with Us!

Instructions: Listen carefully to the lesson and fill in the blanks.

1. When the women arrived at the tomb, they noticed that the stone that sealed Jesus' tomb had been _____.
2. While they were thinking about this, two men in clothes that gleamed like _____ suddenly appeared and stood beside them.
3. The men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is _____!"
4. Later on that same day, two men were going to a village called _____.
5. They were sad because they thought that Jesus came to the world to free the Jewish people from _____ rule.
6. That was not what Jesus came to this world to do. So beginning with _____ and all the _____, Jesus explained to them what was said in all the _____ concerning Himself.
7. Jesus came to set them, and us, free from _____.
8. At one point _____ people saw Him at the same time.
9. During the _____ days between His resurrection and ascension to heaven, the Lord appeared to many of His followers.
10. Why is this important to our faith? Jesus gave us a new and living _____ through His resurrection.
11. Jesus' resurrection opens the way to revive our _____, which had been dead in sin, and restore it to life.
12. The Lord will give us _____ bodies just like the body Jesus had after He rose from the dead.

Prove It!!

Jesus rose from the dead. God not only has the power to raise the dead, He also has the power to do many things. His power is unlimited and He can always help us if only we believe in Him. Let's look at some proof in the New Testament.

Instructions: Read the verses and fill in a brief description on how the power of God was shown, then answer the question at the bottom of the page.

1. He has power over nature

Bible Verse	Description
Matthew 8:23-27	
John 2:1-11	
Matthew 14:22-33	

2. He has power over sickness and disease

Bible Verse	Description
Matthew 9:20-22	
Matthew 9:27-31	
Mark 1:21-28	
Matthew 8:1-3	

3. He has the power to raise the dead

Bible Verse	Description
John 11:1-44	
Luke 7:11-17	

The Greatest Proof of All – Jesus Christ Rising from the Dead!**There Is Power in Jesus!**

Have you heard of any miracles that have happened in the True Jesus Church? Have you witnessed or been part of one before?

I've Got the Power!

Jesus provides power to those who depend on Him to do His will.

Instructions: Read each scenario and discuss the amazing power of God.

The Power of Healing - Illness



Bryan and his family had already booked airplane tickets to go to a funeral together. But then Bryan contracted an ear infection that was serious enough that the doctor advised him not to fly. The funeral was too far away for them to drive to. Bryan began taking medicine, but they were supposed to leave the next day, which was hardly enough time for Bryan to recover. Then, Bryan's mother reminded him that there was one thing they hadn't done: pray and rely on God to heal him. It was also important that he believed that God had the power when they prayed. So, the family prayed that afternoon and again in the evening. And then they prayed again in the morning of the next day. After the morning prayer, they

took him to the doctor again, and to their surprise, the doctor said that the ear infection was completely gone! Thank God! The doctor could not believe it had healed so quickly.

The Power of Healing - Injuries



Jamie was playing indoor volleyball during gym class at school when she accidentally ran into her teammate trying to get the ball. She fell and twisted her ankle. It hurt really badly, and since the school nurse could not give her pain medication, her father picked her up and took her to the doctor for examination. The doctor said that it was nothing too serious. She got medicine for the pain and swelling, and was told it would heal in about a week. But Jamie had a very important piano audition in two days, and her ankle hurt too much for her to press the pedal. There was no way she would be able to heal in time. Her family and her RE teacher encouraged her to pray. So, in the next couple of days she prayed with her

family. She believed that God had the power to heal her, and that God would grant her request. When she stepped out of bed on the morning of the audition, she felt no pain as she began to walk. Thank God! God listened to her prayer and healed her ankle. God indeed is a great physician.

The Power to Provide



Jayden's father recently lost his job. At first, Jayden didn't realize how serious it was, and thought that his father would simply be able to find a new job. However, at that time, there were many people who were also without a job, as there were too few jobs available. His mother had not been working because she wanted to stay home to take care of Jayden and his younger sister, so they had no income while his father was out of a job. The family had some savings to use, and his father could collect unemployment money from the government. Still, the savings ran out quickly, and the unemployment money wasn't enough to support a family of four. On top of this, without any medical insurance, if any of

them got sick, they might not be able to afford medication. Jayden's father told them that he would do his part to look for another job, but they must also pray and rely on God for help. If God can raise the dead, He surely has the power to help their family, too. They prayed as a family every evening and believed that God had something in store for them. Miraculously, after only one month, Jayden's father found a new job. God truly has the power to provide for those who rely on Him.

The Power of Protection



Daniel was about one year old when he started walking. Since he was just starting and not very good at it, his parents put him in a baby walker to help him learn. One day, Daniel was in the walker and walking around while his father and grandfather were carrying items to the basement. His mother turned away for a moment, and since the door to the basement was wide open, Daniel wandered in that direction. Suddenly his walker's wheels caught the edge of the stairs and he and the walker tumbled down the stairs together. His mother yelled "Hallelujah!" and just as suddenly, the walker got caught on the side railing of the last step, right before hitting the floor at the bottom. Thank God! If it had not been for the protection of God, Daniel would have been hurt really badly.

E2 Year 1 Book 1 Lesson 12—Jesus Is Risen and He Is with Us

Homework Assignment

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Pray							

What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. _____

2. _____

Memory VersePlease write down this week's memory verse. (**Acts 2:33b**)

Fill In the Blank

- The women saw two _____ in clothes that gleamed like _____.
- Jesus was not in the tomb because He had _____.
- Jesus did not come to this world to set the Israelites free from the _____. Instead, He came to set us all free from _____.

True or False

- The men on the road met Jesus, but did not recognize Him at first. _____
- When Peter went to see the tomb, he only found strips of linen inside. _____

Short Answer

- Why is Jesus' resurrection important to our faith?
- Which of the Ten Basic Beliefs is this lesson related to? Explain.
- Describe the bodies we will have when we resurrect.

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

(Psalm 119:105)

For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

-- 1 Timothy 2:3-4



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