

June — July — August 2017
Unit 1 — The Church Shares Jesus

Unit Bible Truth: The Good News of Jesus Christ is for the whole world.

Unit Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that God planned for the Church to take the gospel to the whole world
- Grow in their understanding of what missionaries are and what they do
- Want to help reach out to others at home and around the world
- Pray for and support all the ways the Church takes the Good News to others
- Be open to the possibility of God's call to be a missionary

Verse-a-Month Club Verse: "Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you'" (John 20:21).

JUNE 4, 2017

Lesson 1 — Good News for an Ethiopian

Scripture: Acts 8:1-8, 26-40

Bible Story: Philip Shares the Good News

Bible Truth: God sends Christians to tell unsaved people about His love.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know what a missionary is
- Discover how the gospel began to spread
- Feel concern for those who don't know Jesus as Savior
- Pray for unsaved people at home and in other cultures

JUNE 11, 2017

Lesson 2 — Good News for a Roman

Scripture: Acts 10

Bible Story: Peter Shares the Good News

Bible Truth: The good news about Jesus is for all people.

Goals:

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that God does not have favorites; He wants everyone, everywhere to know the Good News about Jesus.
- Identify groups of people who need to know about Jesus
- Ask God to help them share the Good News with people they know
- Pray for missionaries as they share the Good News

JUNE 18, 2017

Lesson 3 — Good News for the People of Antioch

Scripture: Acts 11:19-26

Bible Story: Barnabas and Paul Share the Good News

Bible Truth: Missionaries teach new Christians how to live for God.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that in Antioch, followers of Jesus were called *Christians* for the first time
- Know that missionary work includes teaching as well as preaching
- Pray for missionaries as they teach new Christians

JUNE 25, 2017

Lesson 4—Good News for People Everywhere

Scripture: Acts 13:1-12; 14:21-28

Bible Story: The Church Shares the Good News

Bible Truth: God works through the Church to send and support missionaries.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Realize that the Church is part of God’s plan to take the Good News to the whole world
- Want to support the work of missions
- Identify ways they work with the Church to send and support missionaries
- Be willing to be a missionary when they grow up if God calls them to this work

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Unit 2 — Jesus Changes Lives

Unit Bible Truth: Jesus changes us when we receive His love and help.

Unit Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Discover that Jesus changes people’s lives when they respond to Him
- Realize that Jesus loves them and wants to help them
- Sense Jesus’ love and concern for them
- Grow in their trust in Jesus
- Respond to Jesus’ love and help, according to their need

Verse-a-Month Club Verse: “I can do all this through him who gives me strength” (Philippians 4:13).

JULY 2, 2017

Lesson 5 — Jesus Made a Difference for a Sick Man

Scripture: Mark 1:40-44

Bible Story: A Leper Finds Help

Bible Truth: Jesus loves people, even those whom others don’t like.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that Jesus loves all people, no matter how unlovable other people think they are
- Believe that Jesus loves them
- Experience Jesus’ love
- Take their needs and problems to Jesus

JULY 9, 2017

Lesson 6 — Jesus Made a Difference for Matthew

Scripture: Mark 2:13-17

Bible Story: Matthew Finds a Savior

Bible Truth: Jesus invites sinners to become His followers.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that Jesus called Matthew — a hated tax collector — to become His disciple
- Realize that anyone who responds to Jesus can become His follower, no matter what that person has done in the past
- Know that Jesus wants them to be His followers
- Receive forgiveness for their sins and follow Jesus

JULY 16, 2017

Lesson 7 — Jesus Made a Difference for Children

Scripture: Mark 10:13-16

Bible Story: The Children Find a Friend

Bible Truth: Children are important to Jesus.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that Jesus loves all children
- Realize that children are important in God’s kingdom
- Personally sense Jesus’ love and acceptance
- Love Jesus and want to belong to Him

JULY 23, 2017

Lesson 8 — Jesus Made a Difference for Peter

Scripture: Mark 14:66-72; John 21:1-19

Bible Story: Peter Finds Forgiveness

Bible Truth: God forgives us if we sin.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Understand that Jesus forgave Peter when he denied Him
- Realize that God will forgive them if they sin
- Ask God for forgiveness if they sin

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Unit 3 — God’s Got Power

Unit Bible Truth: God uses His great power to do His will and to help His people.

Unit Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that God has great power — greater than anyone or anything
 - Realize that God always uses His power to do what is good
 - Discover when God’s power is revealed, He receives honor
 - Understand that God wants us to obey and work with Him, but He never uses His power to force us to do so
 - Determine to trust and obey God and work with Him to accomplish His will
- Verse-a-Month Club Verse:** “Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit” (Psalm 147:5).

JULY 30, 2017

Lesson 9 — God’s Got Power . . . to Help His People

Scripture: 2 Kings 6:8-23

Bible Story: Blinded Eyes See

Bible Truth: God’s power is greater than any human power.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that God’s power is greater than any human power
- Realize that God uses His power to help His people
- Grow in the ability to trust God when they face a scary situation
- Ask God for help when they are afraid

AUGUST 6, 2017

Lesson 10 — God’s Got Power . . . to Help Us Want to Obey

Scripture: Jonah 1 — 3

Bible Story: The Man Who Ran Away

Bible Truth: God is always working to help us want to obey Him.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that God continually works to help us want to obey Him, but He does not force us to do so
- Begin to understand that we can choose to disobey God, but we cannot choose the consequences of disobeying
- Want to obey God because they know God’s will is always good and right
- Increasingly obey God

AUGUST 13, 2017

Lesson 11 — God’s Got Power . . . to Help Us Be Brave

Scripture: Esther 1 — 4

Bible Story: The Brave Queen

Bible Truth: When we trust God, He helps us face hard things.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that God gave Esther courage to risk her life to save her people
- Realize that trusting God, combined with prayer, helps us face hard things
- Pray to God for help when they face a hard situation

AUGUST 20, 2017

Lesson 12 — God's Got Power . . . to Protect His People

Scripture: Esther 5 — 8

Bible Story: Power That Saved a Nation

Bible Truth: When we work with God, we see His great power at work.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know how God worked through Esther to save His people
- Know that though God has all power, He chooses to work through people to accomplish His will
- Realize that when we work with God, we see His great power at work
- Want to be a partner with God to do His will

AUGUST 27, 2017

Lesson 13 — God's Got Power . . . and It Brings Him Honor

Scripture: Daniel 3

Bible Story: The Fire That Did Not Burn

Bible Truth: God receives honor when people see His power.

Goals

To help early elementary children . . .

- Know that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were willing to serve God even when in danger
- Believe that God is with them in every situation
- Increasingly trust God in every situation