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**2 TIMOTHY KIDS  
COMPANION GUIDE**

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# KIDS COMPANION GUIDE

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## DEAR SISTER,

We are thrilled to have you joining us this year for Dayton Women in the Word's summer study through 2 Timothy!

We are so excited to join hands with you as you share the treasure of God's Word with your children. It has not escaped our notice that Timothy was first instructed in the faith by his mother and grandmother. Your children are very important to us. And while we love teaching and serving your children in person, we don't want to forget that *you* are uniquely gifted to be their spiritual teachers!

We have strived to make these materials as accessible and user-friendly as possible. We have provided lessons and activities to use with two age groups: ages 1-4 and ages 5-12. With such wide age ranges, we want to encourage you to keep in your unique child in mind. Look through the material beforehand, and approach the lessons as best suits the needs of your child. *\*\*Tip: Don't discount your child's ability to grasp big Biblical concepts! You will be surprised with what they will receive!*

For children ages 0-1, we encourage you to recite our memory verse to them, as well as sing and listen to the [memory verse song](#) together. And most importantly, pray over your little one, and tell them how much God loves them!

To make the most of your teaching time, use these tips for making your lessons run a little more smoothly:

- Set up a specific time each week to devote to your teaching. Between fifteen to thirty minutes should be enough time, depending on the age of your child and number of children. You can teach the lesson once a week, or split the lesson over several days.
- Pray while you are preparing, before you begin, and after each lesson.
- Gather up props or materials so they are ready to go before your lesson time.
- Take time to read over the lesson material for the week before you teach your child.
- Practice/memorize the fingerplays and songs so you can fully engage with your child. We will provide links to the fingerplays and songs on our [website](#) and [Youtube channel](#).
- Be sure everyone is fed and has had a bathroom break before beginning the lesson.
- Consider having a special place or blanket to sit on during your study.
- You might want to have a "Bible study" snack at the end of your lesson like we typically would have in class!

- Set clear expectations for your child before you begin. For example “This is my turn to talk, and your turn to listen.”

Remember to be patient with your child *and* yourself! We want you *both* to enjoy this time together and learn to love God and His Word more through this Summer Study. We are praying for you, mama. Thank you for studying with us this summer!

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# 2 TIMOTHY KIDS

## MAIN TRUTHS

Week	Text	Main Truth
1	Biblical Metanarrative	The Bible is a book about God, in it we find the beautiful story of the gospel.
2	2 Timothy Overview	The gospel is a gift from God that has been passed down to us from generations of believers. It is valuable and precious.
3	2 Timothy 1:1-14	The gospel has been entrusted to us. We must obey it and proclaim it.
4	2 Timothy 1:15-2:13	The gospel is true. Thinking deeply about the truth of the gospel will help us make wise choices.
5	2 Timothy 2:14-26	The gospel transforms us. We are set apart and made ready for every good work.
6	2 Timothy 3:1-9	The gospel is the only way we can be saved. We must not be led astray by the ways of the world.
7	2 Timothy 3:10-4:5	The gospel is worth suffering for. We can endure and be sober-minded.
8	2 Timothy 4:6-22	The gospel is a treasure worth defending and suffering for.

# MASTER SUPPLY LIST

Week	Lessons for Age 1-4	Lessons for Age 5-12
1	paper scissors pens, pencils, color pencils, markers, or crayons envelope stamps string	
2	family photo albums <i>OR</i> old digital family photos	
3	candle and lighter	access to Youtube ( <a href="#">Freeze dance song</a> )
4	soil cup seeds (a quick grower like a bean) water	
5	paper, cut into strips, with phrases written on each strip Bible pen	a few blank sheets of paper markers, color pencils, or crayons pen stapler
6	shoe box or other small box decorative craft materials small candies or trinkets (optional) paper pen pair of play binoculars or empty paper towel/toilet paper rolls	- none needed -
7	construction paper	- none needed -
8	picnic blanket picnic snack/lunch	

# INFANT LESSON

For our littlest learners, we have created a short and simple “lesson” to use each week. We encourage you to sing and pray over your little ones often!

Main Truth	The gospel is a precious treasure for all ages.	
Memory Verse	Sing or recite our 2 Timothy memory verses over your little one. You can find our <a href="#">memory verse song on our website</a> or <a href="#">Youtube channel</a> .	
	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b></p> <p><i>“You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”</i></p>	
Activity	Show your baby your Bible and let them touch it	
Finger Plays *Find videos on our website	<a href="#">The Bible is God’s treasure book</a> His words are written there And when I turn each page to look I handle it with care	<a href="#">One, two, this is true:</a> God loves me, And God loves you!
Song	<a href="#">Jesus Loves Me</a>	

## PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father,  
 Please help [enter your child’s name here] love You from an early age and never leave Your side.  
 Please help my child grow strong in spirit, mind, and body. Help them love others as You love them.  
 Dear Father, help me to be the spiritual leader my child needs. Thank You for hearing my prayer.  
 In Jesus’ name, Amen.

Mama, you are building a heritage of faith and teaching your child to love Jesus at a young age. Good for you! You are LOVED!

A woman in a red shirt and white skirt is running on a path, carrying an American flag. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with trees and a building. The text 'WEEK 1' is overlaid in large, bold, black letters.

# WEEK 1

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# WEEK ONE

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Review	Our goal over the next eight weeks is to share the gospel and its importance in our lives. As we study 2 Timothy together this summer, our desire is that your children will know what the gospel is and that it is a treasure worth suffering for.	
Text	Introduction to the Bible and the gospel	Introduction to the Bible's metanarrative; the gospel
Main Truth	<b>The Bible is a book about God, in it we find the beautiful story of the gospel.</b>	
Activity	Write a letter and/or create a memory verse scroll	Write a letter and/or create a memory verse scroll
Memory Verse	Each week we encourage you to review our 2 Timothy memory verses with your children! We find that putting Scripture to song is a helpful way to write the Word upon our hearts, so we have included a song for these verses. You can access this song on <a href="#">our website</a> or <a href="#">Youtube channel</a> .	
Teaching Tip	"Catch them being good" Praise behavior you want to reinforce! For example: "You did a great job sitting and listening today!" Or, "I'm very proud of you for listening and obeying right away."	

# WEEK ONE

## LESSON AGE 1-4

PRAY	<p><i>Dear God, help us have good listening ears to hear about your Word, the Bible. All God's children said, "AMEN!"</i></p>
MAIN TRUTH	<p><b>The Bible is a book about God, in it we find the beautiful story of the gospel.</b></p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>We write letters to tell people good news. Sometimes we send a card to say "Happy Birthday," or a letter to wish someone, "Merry Christmas!"</p> <p>Paul was one of God's special helpers. He wrote letters to his friend Timothy. He wrote things God wanted Timothy to know, and He wants us to know too! We can find these letters in the Bible.</p> <p>The good news in this Bible is called <b>the gospel</b>. It tells us that Jesus came to earth as a baby, grew up while never sinning, died on the cross for our sin, and is alive again! Jesus came to save us from our sins. He promises to come back for us, too! That good news is called <b>the gospel</b>. <i>Can you say gospel? Good job!</i></p> <p>We can share this good news with others, too! Let's write a letter like Paul did in his time on a long piece of paper and then roll it up. This is called a scroll! We can also write a letter to tell our friends what we are learning about the gospel. Good news is worth sharing!</p> <p>Good listening today! Let's pray. <i>"Thank you God that you gave us the good news of the gospel in the Bible!"</i></p>
ACTIVITY	<p>Write a Letter and/or Copy the Memory Verse</p> <p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-paper</li> <li>-scissors</li> <li>-pens or pencils</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-color pencils, markers, or crayons</li> <li>-envelope(s)</li> <li>-stamps</li> <li>-string</li> </ul> <p>Cut long strips of paper and have the child “write” a letter. Or, you can transcribe a letter for them. Roll up the paper strip, and tie it with a string. Let them deliver it to a sibling or parent.</p> <p>Write a traditional letter about the good news to send to a friend or grandparent. Let the child decorate the letter or place the stamps on the envelope. Put it in the mail. The child can also pretend to be a mail delivery person and take the mail to a mailbox. They could use a pillow case or an old purse as the mailbag.</p> <p>--AND/OR--</p> <p>Write the memory verse on a long piece of paper, then roll it like a scroll and secure it with string. Let your child untie it daily, and read it together. Roll it and tie it back up. Put it in a safe place, and read it daily throughout Summer Study!</p>	
MEMORY VERSE	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b></p> <p><i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>	
FINGER PLAYS <small>*Find videos on our website</small>	<p><a href="#">I open my Bible.</a></p> <p>And what do I see? All of the ways That God cares for me!</p>	<p><a href="#">The Bible is God’s treasure book.</a></p> <p>His words are written there. And when I turn each page to look, I handle it with care!</p>
SONG	<p><a href="#">The B-I-B-L-E</a></p>	

Good job! You’ve finished Week One with your little one! May God bless you this summer as you study and find treasure in His Word together!



# WEEK ONE

## LESSON AGE 5-12

TEXT	Introduction to the Bible’s <b>metanarrative</b> (the overarching story of the Bible which includes Creation, Fall, Redemption, and Restoration), and the message of <b>the gospel</b>
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The Bible is a book about God, in it we find the beautiful story of the gospel.</b>
LESSON CONTENT	<p><i>Grab your Bible! If your children have their own personal Bibles, have them grab them too!</i></p> <p>The Bible is a very special book with a very special message. In these pages we are given a glimpse of our majestic Father in heaven. When we want to learn about God, this is where we go!</p> <p>Within these pages is a very glorious story about God’s mission and plan to save lost people! <i>Let’s turn to the very first page of our Bibles.</i> Here we find the story of <b>CREATION</b>. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth (Genesis 1). When God created the world, He proclaimed it was “good,” and throughout each day of creation, “good” remained the key theme. On the sixth day, God created man, whom He called “very good!” But from here, the story takes a sad and dark turn.</p> <p>Adam, the first man, and his wife, Eve, lived in a beautiful garden called Eden. They had a perfect relationship with God and got to spend so much time with Him! But a crafty serpent came and planted a dangerous lie in Eve’s mind, convincing her to eat fruit from a tree that was forbidden by God. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and the result was something we call the <b>FALL</b>. Because they did not trust and obey God (we call this <b>sin</b>), Adam and Eve had to leave the beautiful garden where they walked with God.</p> <p>In our fallen world, we too are separated from God because our hearts are yucky with sin, just like Adam’s and Eve’s. The yuckiness of our hearts can look like a lot of things: acting mean, being unkind, or even disobeying our parents. We do these bad things because we have sin in our hearts.</p>

Before God sent Adam and Eve away from the garden, He made a promise that one day a **Savior** would come to crush the serpent and make a way for **REDEMPTION**. God knew these bad things would happen, so He made a plan to bring us back to Himself, a way for our hearts to be washed clean. When our hearts are cleansed from sin, we can have that beautiful, perfect relationship with God, just like Adam and Eve had in the garden.

Throughout this book we have the story of how God's people waited for that promised **Savior**. Many, many, many years after Adam and Eve sinned in the garden, a baby was born! This baby's name was **Jesus**, and we celebrate His birth every year at Christmas.

As we talk about the birth of Jesus, we have to mention the Trinity! God is one God, but three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. All three Persons are distinct, yet there is only one God. This is a very BIG idea, and one that is understandably hard to wrap our minds around! Adults even struggle to understand the mystery of the Trinity, but by faith, we believe and trust in this very important understanding of God. *\*If your children are having a hard time with this, encourage them to ask God to help them!*

Now, why is the Trinity important? Jesus is a member of the Trinity-- He is both God *and* the Son of God! He is fully human and *also* fully God. He is the **Savior** God's people were waiting for! Jesus saved sinful people through His perfect sinless life, death on the cross, and resurrection. When Jesus was on the cross, He took on Himself the sin of humans and gave those who would believe in Him His perfect righteousness. God's plan and action to bring sinful people back to Himself through Jesus is called **REDEMPTION**. When we have the righteousness of Jesus through our faith in Him, we can once again have a right relationship with God! This is God's great plan, and we call this amazing story **the gospel**, which means "good news."

The gospel is precious because it is the news about Jesus and His saving work on the cross. **The gospel** changes lives by healing yucky hearts and making them clean and whole again. The Bible also gives us hope for the completion of God's great plan. Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead three days later, defeating sin and death. He then ascended to

	<p>heaven and is now seated at God’s right hand. But one day, He will come again! Jesus is coming <b>soon</b> to bring <b>RESTORATION</b> to all of creation! This is truly <b>good news</b>!</p> <p>In the coming weeks, we will learn more about this good news and why it is a treasure worth defending and even suffering for!</p>
<p>ACTIVITY</p>	<p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-paper</li> <li>-pens or pencils</li> <li>-color pencils, markers, or crayons</li> <li>-envelopes</li> <li>-stamps</li> <li>-string or yarn</li> </ul> <p>Have your children write a letter or color a picture to send to someone they know. Encourage them to include the <b>good news of the gospel</b> in their letter.</p> <p>--AND/OR--</p> <p>Write the memory verse on a piece of paper, roll it like a scroll, and secure it with string. Let your child untie it daily, and read it together. Roll it back up, and retie. Put it in a safe place, and read it daily throughout Summer Study!</p>
<p>PRAYER</p>	<p><i>Father God, thank You for the gospel. Because of Your love, You save sinners, and make our hearts clean. Sometimes we don't do the right thing, but we ask You to help us grow more and more like Jesus. Help us remember what You have done and look forward to spending forever with You. In Jesus' name, Amen.</i></p>
<p>MEMORY VERSE</p>	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b>  <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>

A woman in a red shirt and patterned pants is running on a path, carrying a large American flag. The background is a soft-focus landscape with trees and a building. The overall color palette is warm, with a gradient from green at the top to orange at the bottom.

# WEEK 2

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# WEEK TWO

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Text	2 Timothy Overview	
Main Truth	<b>The gospel is a gift from God that has been passed down to us from generations of believers. It is valuable and precious.</b>	
Activity	Look through family photo albums	Look through family photo albums
Memory Verse *Find the memory verse song on our website	We encourage you to review our 2 Timothy memory verses with your children each week. Hug your child as you speak or sing the memory verse to them. Let them know that they are your child and <i>also</i> God's child. He is our Father in heaven.	
Teaching Tip	<p>"Motion changes emotion"</p> <p>Children have a lot of energy and can benefit from an activity to "get the wiggles out" before your family sits down for Bible study. A quick game of "head, shoulders, knees, and toes" or jumping jacks can do the trick. Activity can also be useful to hit the "reset button" on a mood that is headed in the wrong direction. (This works for grown-ups as well! Consider giving yourself a "motion" break if you are feeling overwhelmed.)</p>	



# WEEK TWO

## LESSON AGE 1-4

REVIEW	The Bible is God’s Word. The gospel is the good news that Jesus loves us and died on the cross to save us from our sins.
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel is a gift from God that has been passed down to us from generations of believers. It is valuable and precious.</b>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>Today we are going to learn about two of God’s special helpers! We can read about them in God’s Word, the Bible. Their names are Paul and Timothy. Let’s open the Bible now and see if we can find their names! Oh I see them, they are right here! <i>(Let the child see the names in your Bible.)</i></p> <p>Timothy first learned about God from his mother and his grandma! Let’s read about that!</p> <p><b><i>Read 2 Timothy 1:5-7</i></b></p> <p>Timothy was a little boy when he first learned about God and started to love Him.</p> <p>In this letter, Paul is teaching Timothy how to love God, and all about the good news of Jesus. Paul is much older than Timothy. In fact, he is old enough to be Timothy’s father! He even called Timothy “my child” because they were as close as family.</p> <p>In Paul and Timothy’s time, they didn’t have telephones or computers, so Paul wrote Timothy letters. Paul wrote a letter to Timothy to tell him not to be ashamed of the gospel. He wanted Timothy to tell other people about Jesus and to not be afraid of how other people would react.</p>

	<p>Timothy had a lot to be thankful for. He had family and friends to teach him and encourage him to share the gospel! Both Paul and Timothy spent their lives telling other people the good news about Jesus!</p>
ACTIVITY	<p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-family photo album</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-select 5-10 digital images of your family and extended family</li> </ul> <p>Today we learned that Timothy’s grandmother’s name was Lois, and his mother’s name was Eunice. Let’s look at some pictures of our family. Spend some time with your children going over family photo albums. (If you don’t have any printed albums, that’s ok. You can pick 5-10 images digitally on your phone.) Tell the story of your family through the album or images and use them to tell your children about God’s faithfulness in your life. Invite your children to pray for any unbelieving family members.</p>
PRAYER	<p><i>Thank you, God, for Your Word. Thank You for our family and friends that teach us about You. Help us not be afraid of telling other people the good news about Jesus! In Jesus’ name, Amen!</i></p>
MEMORY VERSE	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b>  <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>
FINGER PLAYS	<p><a href="#">God is listening.</a>  God is listening  To each word I say.  He will hear me,  He will hear me  Every time I pray.</p>
SONG	<p><a href="#">The B-I-B-L-E</a>  <a href="#">Jesus Loves Me</a></p>

Remember mama, you too are courageously participating in the Great Commission by teaching your children about Jesus!

# WEEK TWO

## LESSON AGES 5-12

REVIEW	<p>Last week, we learned about the Bible and the great story it tells. We learned about the gospel of Jesus Christ and how He allows us to be in right relationship with God the Father.</p>
MAIN TRUTH	<p><b>The gospel is a gift from God that has been passed down to us from generations of believers. It is valuable and precious.</b></p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>This summer we are walking through the letter of 2 Timothy. This letter was written by an apostle of Jesus named Paul. An apostle is someone on a special mission from God to spread the gospel. Many of the New Testament letters in the Bible were written by Paul. Timothy, the person receiving this letter, worked with Paul to spread the gospel to those who had not yet heard it. Timothy's mission to continue sharing the gospel was important, and Paul wrote this letter to encourage him in his work.</p> <p>Last week we learned about the message of the gospel, the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. We learned that the gospel can change people's lives! It is a powerful and glorious message that God does not want us to keep to ourselves.</p> <p>Before Jesus went up to heaven to be with the Father (remember what we learned about the Trinity), He gave his disciples an important mission. <b>Read Matthew 28:18-20.</b> We call this mission the Great Commission. God wants us to share the message that Jesus saves with everyone! For generations and generations, courageous men and women of faith have gone out and shared this message with the world. We call these people missionaries.</p> <p>Whenever someone hears the gospel and believes it, trusting Jesus as their Savior, they become part of God's family! Isn't that so wonderful?! When you are in Christ, you gain many brothers and sisters!</p> <p>We learn in Paul's letter that Timothy's faith was passed down to him. <b>Read 2 Timothy 1:5-7.</b> Where did he get this faith? From his mother, who</p>

	<p>received it from her mother, Timothy’s grandmother. Timothy came from a line of family members that believed in God!</p> <p>The family of God is different from our biological family. It includes people from all races, cultures and family backgrounds. In verse 2 Paul calls Timothy his “beloved child.” Why might he say that if he was not his father? Paul nurtured and cared for Timothy’s spiritual growth just like Timothy’s mother and grandmother did.</p> <p>Timothy’s faith was a gift from his mother, grandmother, and Paul. Have you ever heard of an heirloom? An heirloom is a valuable object that has been in a family for several generations. The gospel is so much more valuable than any material thing we could pass down. Paul, at the time he wrote this letter, was in prison and facing death. He was passing on this gospel hope and encouraging Timothy to hold fast to the truth. He was passing down an heirloom of truth.</p>
ACTIVITY	<p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-family photo album, or select 5-10 images of your family and extended family on your phone</li> </ul> <p>Spend some time with your children looking at family photos. Tell your family story through the album or images, and use them to tell your children about God’s faithfulness in your life. Invite your children to pray for any unbelieving family members.</p>
PRAYER	<p><i>Lord God, thank You for Your Word and for every person who has carried the faith that has been passed down to us. We are so grateful for our families and fellow brothers and sisters in Christ. Father, would You help us to continue to spread the gospel to those who do not know You so that they will be a part of Your family? In Jesus’ name, Amen.</i></p>
MEMORY VERSE	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b>  <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>

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A woman in a red shirt and white skirt is holding a Bible. She is standing in front of a large American flag that is draped over a structure. The background is a bright, hazy outdoor setting.

# WEEK 3

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# WEEK THREE

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Text	2 Timothy 1:2-12	
Main Truth	<b>The gospel has been entrusted to us. We must obey it and proclaim it.</b>	
Activity	Candle light	Obedience games and/or <a href="#">freeze dance songs</a>
Memory Verse *Find the memory verse song on our website	Utilize this activity to help encourage memorization! Say the verse together and make a “muscle” with your arm at the word “strengthened.” God gives us His strength so we can obey him and share the good news about Jesus.	
Teaching Tip	“Be enthusiastic” When approaching Bible study time, your excitement will help “fan into flame” your child’s love for God’s Word.	

# WEEK THREE

## LESSON AGE 1-4

REVIEW	The Bible is God’s Word. Paul wrote letters to Timothy to encourage him. The gospel is the good news that Jesus loves us and died for us. This good news is a treasure!
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel has been entrusted to us. We must obey it and proclaim it.</b>
ACTIVITY	Light a candle with your child and show them where the flame is. Ask them to observe how the wax fuels the flame and the wick keeps it steady. Fan the flame a bit to show how it grows when it is fanned. Talk about how the flame is like the gifts God gives us, and Paul tells Timothy to fan it. That means that we should use the gifts God gives us to serve Him and others. God wants us to shine bright in a world that is dark with sin.
LESSON CONTENT	<p>Paul is writing a letter to his friend Timothy with some instructions for him. Paul knows that Timothy loves God and believes that Jesus is the only one who can save us from our sins. Paul wants Timothy to be sure of this truth and to keep following and obeying God.</p> <p>He tells him to fan into flame the gift of God that he has been given just like with our candle! Paul wants Timothy to use everything God has given him to stay close to God and tell others about Jesus. He wants Timothy to know that it’s God’s Spirit in us that helps us to stand firm. We can shine our light when we show God’s love to others and tell them the good news of the gospel!</p> <p>Let’s pretend our finger is a candle and sing this song together:</p> <p><a href="#">This little light of mine</a></p> <p>This little light of mine I’m gonna let it shine This little light of mine I’m gonna let it shine Let it shine,</p>



	Let it shine, Let it shine!
PRAYER	<i>Thank You, Lord, for the Bible. Help us share Your love with other people. In Jesus' name, Amen!</i>
MEMORY VERSE	<b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b> <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i>
FINGER PLAYS	<a href="#">Our hands we fold,</a> Our heads we bow, So we can talk To God right now
SONG	<a href="#">Pass It On</a>

Great job! You have completed Week Three! Give your child a high-five and a “whoop whoop!” Teaching deep truths can feel daunting, but remember that children are like little sponges who can absorb more truth than we know! Please reach out to us if you have any questions.

# WEEK THREE

## LESSON AGES 5-12

REVIEW	Last week we learned that the gospel is a gift that can be handed down through families for generations. We learned that God gave a mission to every believer to spread the good news to everyone!
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel has been entrusted to us. We must obey it and proclaim it.</b>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>The gospel is the beautiful message that Jesus died to save us from our sin and bring us back to God. We have been entrusted with this precious and valuable message that everyone needs to hear. To be entrusted with something means we have been given a special responsibility or job. In the case of the gospel, our special job is to obey what the Bible teaches, and invite our friends to do so, too.</p> <p>In verse 8 of 2 Timothy chapter 1, Paul makes an interesting statement. He says, <i>“Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord...”</i> What do you think it means to be ashamed? Ashamed means to feel embarrassed or guilty about something. Why do you think someone would be ashamed of the gospel? Do you think someone who is ashamed of the gospel would obey it or tell others about it?</p> <p>When Paul was writing this letter, he was actually in prison and most likely facing death. He was being hurt for telling people about Jesus. Paul tells Timothy to stay strong if and when others tried to hurt him for talking about Jesus. The message of the gospel is offensive. People do not like to be told they are sinners with bad hearts and they especially don’t like to admit that they can’t make their hearts clean through their own good deeds. They may not want to accept the fact they need someone to save them. In order to be saved, we have to admit we need saving and surrender our hearts to Jesus. That means we stop trying to live life on our own and start to obey the Bible’s teaching. As we learn to obey God, we can also tell others, like Jesus asks us to do in the Great Commission we learned about last week.</p>

	<p>Obedying all of God’s commands can be hard. God knows and understands this, so He sent us a Helper. The Holy Spirit, the Third Person in the Trinity, lives inside each and every person who believes in Jesus. He helps us to do what God asks us to do in the Bible.</p> <p>In verse 12, Paul says, “<i>But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed.</i>” Paul is not ashamed because he is confident in God. Like Paul and Timothy, we are able to obey and boldly share the good news with the Spirit’s help.</p>
ACTIVITY	<p>You will need: -Access to YouTube</p> <p>Play an obedience game such as Simon Says or Red Light Green Light. You can also play <a href="#">a Freeze Dance song</a>.</p>
PRAYER	<p><i>Thank You, Lord, that we have Your Spirit to lead us and guide us. Help us to obey Your Word, and give us boldness to tell others about Jesus. In Jesus’ name, Amen.</i></p>
MEMORY VERSE	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b> <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>

Explaining big Biblical themes to young children can feel overwhelming and fruitless at times, but remember that children absorb way more than we realize! We are always here to help if you have any questions!



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# WEEK FOUR

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Text	2 Timothy 1:13-2:7	
Main Truth	<b>The gospel is true. Thinking deeply about the truth of the gospel will help us make wise choices.</b>	
Activity	Plant and/or tend a garden *Bonus Activity: Run a race	Plant and/or tend a garden
Memory Verse *Find the memory verse song on our website	Highlight a particular word in the verse and have your child listen for that word when you say the memory verse. Have them raise their hand when you say that particular word.	
Teaching Tip	<p>“Preframe your day”</p> <p>Kids thrive on routine and do well when they know what to expect. Take some time to fill your child in on how the lesson will go before you begin. When your children know and understand what to expect, it can help improve focus and reduce unwanted anxiety. Try having a “Plan B” for getting the lesson done in case your first plan doesn’t work. This shows your child that God’s Word is a priority in your day.</p>	

# WEEK FOUR

## LESSON AGE 1-4

REVIEW	The gospel is the good news about Jesus. We don't have to feel embarrassed or ashamed of the gospel because we have the Holy Spirit's help and comfort.	
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel is true. Thinking deeply about the truth of the gospel will help us make wise choices.</b>	
LESSON CONTENT	<p>Do you know what a farmer does? He works very hard planting seeds, watering them and pulling out weeds to protect them. When the seed grows and the food is picked by the farmer, it is called the harvest.</p> <p>Do you know what a soldier does? A soldier fights his enemies to protect his homeland. A soldier has to stay focused to do his job well! He doesn't play around, he gets the job done!</p> <p>Do you know what an athlete does? When an athlete is running a race, he has to follow the rules. He can't stop, even if he is tired! He has to finish what he started and do it well to get the prize!</p> <p>God doesn't want us to give up. When we get tired, we have God's Spirit to help us and make us strong. We must keep going so that others can hear about Jesus and be saved.</p> <p>We want to know what the Bible says because it is God's true Word to us. It helps us know who God is, how much He loves us and how He wants us to live. Knowing the right way to live is called wisdom!</p> <p>God wants everyone in the whole world to know how much he loves them and that Jesus died to save them. God uses us as his helpers to get this job done, to finish this race, and to see a big harvest of all the people who love and believe in him!</p>	
ACTIVITY	Planting a seed or tending the garden	BONUS ACTIVITY: Run the race

	<p>Supplies needed:  Cup of soil  Seed- a quick grower like a bean!  Water  OR take some play gardening tools to your current garden beds and talk about how a farmer takes care of his crops. Do a little weeding and watering!</p>	<p>Your 3 and 4 yr/olds might enjoy a “race” in the backyard. Ready, set, go!  Give them a spot to run to, then have them run back to you. You might want to count as they run! Be sure to give a big encouraging applause when they make it back to you!</p>
PRAYER	<p><i>Thank You, God, that You love us and that Your Word, the Bible, is true. Help us to know Your Word and to tell others about Your love.  In Jesus’ name, Amen.</i></p>	
MEMORY VERSE	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b>  <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>	
FINGER PLAYS	<p><a href="#">One, two, this is true:</a>  God loves me,  And God loves you!</p>	

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# WEEK FOUR

## LESSON AGES 5-12

REVIEW	<p>Last week we learned about our gospel responsibilities to listen and obey the Word of God and spread the good news. We learned that Paul was not ashamed of the gospel because he knew God and he knew the gospel as the only way to be saved.</p>
MAIN TRUTH	<p><b>The gospel is true. Thinking deeply about the truth of the gospel will help us make wise choices.</b></p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>Last week, we learned that when we follow Jesus, we have a responsibility to obey the teachings of the Bible as well and tell everyone about Jesus. This is a big job!</p> <p>Remember when we talked about bad hearts? Our hearts are sinful and God even says our hearts sick (Jeremiah 17:9). We can't trust our hearts to lead us to good choices. This is a hard truth because our world tells us to "follow our hearts--" but our hearts don't make good leaders!</p> <p>There is wonderful news for us, though. Remember last week when we talked about the Holy Spirit? Jesus promised the disciples that the Holy Spirit would come to help them follow the Lord in faith. This promise is for us, too! The Holy Spirit lives inside every person who believes in Jesus. He heals sick hearts and helps us walk in step with God's Word. The work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer is mysterious and wonderful!</p> <p>This week we are going to talk about the truth and wisdom of the gospel. Now remember, the gospel is the good news of Jesus. Jesus, who was fully God and fully man, lived a perfect sinless life. He was then crucified on the cross and raised from the dead on the third day. This is good news for us and everyone because the bad things we've done mean we deserve to die, but Jesus came to die for us instead. On the cross, Jesus took our sin (badness) and those who believe in Him get His righteousness (goodness). When we have Jesus' perfect record as our own, we get to live forever with God. This is the gospel, and it is true!</p>



	<p><b>Read 2 Timothy 1:13-14</b></p> <p>Paul tells Timothy to “follow the pattern of sound words.” The Spirit of God changes our minds so that we can follow God’s sound words instead of our own ideals. We call this <b>discernment</b>, which means the ability to make a wise choice.</p> <p>So what is Paul saying here? He’s telling Timothy to judge the words he hears against the truth of the Word of God. There were many people in Paul’s day who were sharing a false gospel. These teachers were telling a story that was different from the true story of Jesus we find in the Bible. They wanted people to believe there was <i>another way</i> to be right with God. But there is NO other way to be right with God outside of faith in Jesus. If we believe in Jesus, we must learn to live by the truth of God's Word, not human ideas. The Spirit helps us to make these wise choices. Growing in discernment and wisdom takes a lifetime spent with God in His Word. Every Christian grows in wisdom over time.</p> <p><b>Read Psalm 1 and 2 Timothy 2:7</b></p> <p>As we read the Bible (or listen to it), memorize verses, and think deeply about what it says, we are writing the Word of God on our hearts. In Psalm 1:2, the psalmist writes of delighting in God’s Word and thinking deeply about it day and night. When we do this, we gain understanding and wisdom.</p>
ACTIVITY	<p><b>Planting a seed or tending the garden</b></p> <p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Soil</li> <li>-Seeds ( a quick grower like a bean!)</li> <li>-Water</li> </ul> <p>Plant the seed per package directions. You can also take some gardening tools to your own garden beds and talk with your children about how you tend your garden through weeding, pruning, and watering. Gardening is rich with opportunities to talk about the work of God in our lives.</p>

PRAYER	<i>Lord God, we want to be wise and learn right from wrong. Thank You that Your Spirit dwells in us and helps us to be wise. Help us, Lord, to think over the words of the Bible and write them upon our hearts. In Jesus' name, Amen.</i>
MEMORY VERSE	<b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b> <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i>

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# WEEK FIVE

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Text	2 Timothy 2:8-26	
Main Truth	<b>The gospel changes us. We are set apart and made ready for every good work.</b>	
Activity	Paper strips/writing	Write and illustrate a story
Memory Verse	<p>Repeat the memory verse in different ways. Try it softly, loudly, slowly, or quickly.</p> <p>How is your child doing with this verse? Try splitting the verse into parts by memorizing the first portion and then the second if the whole passage is challenging.</p>	
Teaching Tip	<p>“Set them up for success”</p> <p>Consider your child's routines and plan lessons accordingly. Disruptions to naps or regular meal times may trigger challenging behaviors. Find a regular time that works for your family and encourages active listening and participation.</p>	

# WEEK FIVE

## LESSON AGE 1-4

REVIEW	Paul is writing to his friend Timothy. He encourages Timothy to continue learning about and sharing the gospel.
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel changes us. We are set apart and made ready for every good work.</b>
ACTIVITY	<p><i>*Activity incorporated into the story below.</i></p> <p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Paper cut into strips</li> <li>-Bible</li> <li>-Pen</li> </ul>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>Let's open our Bible! Do you remember the name of the book we are studying? 2 Timothy! That's right, good job! <b>Read 2 Timothy 2:8-26.</b></p> <p>Timothy's friend and teacher Paul is reminding him that Jesus died on the cross, but rose from the dead and is alive again! He wants Timothy to keep this good news in his mind and heart at all times.</p> <p>Tap your head and repeat after me, "Jesus is alive!" Good job! Let's do our best to remember that He is alive!</p> <p>When we believe in Jesus, we also want to be a special helper for Him! Let's look at some ways people will know that we are different and we love Jesus.</p> <p><i>*Have strips of paper cut for your child to pull out from your Bible with the following words written on them:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Love one another</li> <li>-Obey your Mom and Dad</li> <li>-Share what you have</li> <li>-Be kind to one another</li> <li>-Do not lie</li> <li>-Be a peacemaker</li> </ul>

	<p>-Do not argue or fight -Tell others about Jesus</p> <p>God makes all people who love Jesus ready to be special helpers for Him. He sent us the Holy Spirit to help us do His important work. He gives each person everything they need to serve Him. God is three persons in one. God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We call the three persons of God the Trinity.</p> <p>God also helps us to be ready to work for him by giving us instructions in the Bible. Through it we learn how we can live God’s way and do what he asks. Paul and Timothy were special helpers and did God’s work. We can be too!</p> <p>You listened so well today. Great job!</p>
PRAYER	<p><i>Dear God, Thank You for loving us and for sending Jesus to die for our sins. Help us talk and act the way You want us to. In Jesus’ name, Amen.</i></p>
MEMORY VERSE	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b></p> <p><i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>
FINGER PLAYS	<p><a href="#">Our hands we fold,</a> Our heads we bow, So we can talk To God just now.!</p>

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# WEEK FIVE

## LESSON AGES 5-12

REVIEW	<p>Last week we learned that the gospel is true. We learned that there are false teachers who tell stories about Jesus that are not in line with God’s Word. These false stories remind us to study God’s true Word and grow in wisdom.</p>
MAIN TRUTH	<p><b>The gospel changes us. We are set apart and made ready for every good work.</b></p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>We know from our God’s Word that the gospel is powerful and can change the lives of those who hear it. What does this change inside us actually look like?</p> <p>Well, have you ever been mean to your friend by saying an unkind thing to them? Have you ever disobeyed your mom and dad when they told you to do something? Have you ever wanted to take a toy that belongs to someone else because you liked it? These are just a few ways we can sin. If you believe in Jesus, the Spirit in you helps you to feel sorry for hurting someone. We call this repentance, which means turning from doing wrong and deciding to do right. The Spirit also helps you to obey your parents and to have self control and not take something that does not belong to you. We call this obedience.</p> <p>The gospel changes us and makes us more into the image of Jesus. Remember a few weeks ago when we talked about how God created the Earth and everything in it? He made man in His own image. He made people to reflect who He is, like a mirror. Our sin makes us not so shiny and reflective, like a dirty mirror. When we see our dirty mirror needs cleaning, we can turn to Jesus to be washed clean so we can reflect Him like God originally made us to.</p> <p>Paul says that someone who follows Jesus “must be a servant, kind, not argumentative, and a pursuer of righteousness, faith, love and peace.” All of this is to be done along with other Christians. We are called to be set</p>

	<p>apart from the world, but we are not alone! We have one another to help us become more like Jesus.</p> <p>When we stand set apart for Jesus and seek to do the good work of spreading the gospel, we are going to experience persecution, which means that people will treat us differently or poorly because of what we believe. Remember talking about how Paul was being persecuted? Any time we go against what the world tells us to do, we might suffer. Paul endured a lot of suffering and persecution, but he was able to keep his faith because he trusted God and wanted as many people to hear the gospel as possible. When we experience persecution, we also can stay strong for the sake of those who will one day believe! We also have this sweet promise from Jesus himself:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.” <b>Matthew 5:10-12</b></p> <p>We are blessed and have the hope of a reward in heaven when we are experiencing persecution for our faith. Christians throughout history have endured persecution so that the message of the gospel could be ours today. There are still Christians today who are being persecuted. The thought of suffering can be scary, but we have a great hope and we don't have to fear. We can do the work God has given us to do with confidence. Jesus helps those who are suffering, and the Church comes alongside them through faithful prayer and service.</p> <p><i>*We encourage you to pray for wisdom when you address the topic of persecution with your child. Talk about the persecuted Church and pray with your children for those who are being persecuted. Reading missionary biographies with your children is a great way to teach your children about enduring persecution for the faith!</i></p>
<p>ACTIVITY</p>	<p>You will need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-a few blank sheets of paper</li> <li>-markers, color pencils or crayons</li> <li>-stapler</li> <li>-pen</li> </ul> <p>Help your child write their own story! Take a few sheets of paper, and fold them in half, staple them along the fold edge to create a booklet. If your</p>



	<p>child cannot write yet, have them dictate their story to you as you write in the booklet. Lastly, have them illustrate their booklet. Then read them their story! You can talk to your children about the difference between true stories (non-fiction) and stories of make-believe (fiction).</p> <p>Some helpful prompts for writing include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Have them tell you a story about their favorite part of their day.</li> <li>-Have them narrate an episode of their favorite tv show or movie.</li> <li>-Have them tell you a Bible story in their own words.</li> </ul>
<p>PRAYER</p>	<p><i>Lord, we don't like the thought of suffering. Help us to remember that the Spirit's power is in us to help us persevere. You strengthen us to go out and do the good work You have prepared for us without fear! Lord, be with those who are currently experiencing persecution, and help us to pray for them continually. In Jesus' name, Amen.</i></p>
<p>MEMORY VERSE</p>	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b>  <i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>



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# WEEK SIX

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Text	2 Timothy 3:1-9	
Main Truth	<b>The gospel is the only way we can be saved. We must not be led astray by the ways of the world.</b>	
Activity	Make a treasure box	Prayer walk
Memory Verse	Help your child interact with the passage by writing a portion of the verses on a few index cards. Then have them arrange the passage in the proper order.	
Teaching Tip	<p>“Start your day off right”</p> <p>A warm hug and a loving smile can go a long way! Ensuring your child feels loved and seen (especially first thing in the morning) can make all the difference when you get to your lesson. Just like you might enjoy a full cup of coffee in the morning, think of ways to fill your child’s love “cup” at the start of the day. Being warm and encouraging to your child during your Bible study and memory verse time can also help your child feel secure and develop a love for God’s Word!</p>	

# WEEK SIX

## LESSON AGE 1-4

REVIEW	God wants his followers to behave with love and kindness. We are made ready to do God’s work by the Holy Spirit.
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel is the only way we can be saved. We must not be led astray by the ways of the world.</b>
PRAYER	<i>Dear God, Thank You for the Bible. Help us have good listening ears for Your Word today! In Jesus’ name, Amen!</i>
LESSON CONTENT	<p><b>Read 2 Timothy 3:1-9.</b></p> <p>In our reading today, Paul tells Timothy that there will be a time when people only care about themselves! They will love money, attention, and other things more than God. They won’t obey their parents, and will not be kind to other people.</p> <p>That doesn’t sound very good! Do we want to act like that? No way!! We know that from what we’ve learned in God’s Word.</p> <p>God wants His children to love Him more than anything else in the world! Do you know why we love God? Because he loved us first and sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. We want to respond to God’s love by loving Him and doing what is right. It won't always be easy, and other people in our lives may choose not to follow God, but we know that following God is where the real treasure is!</p>
MEMORY VERSE & ACTIVITY	<p><b>Tresure Hunt</b></p> <p>Parent: use a small box, like a shoe box, and let the child decorate it as a treasure box. Print the Bible verse and put it inside. You can hide the box and have the child “hunt” for it! (You might want to put some little goodies in the box for fun, too!)</p> <p>Supplies:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-box</li> <li>-materials to decorate as you like: stickers, glitter glue, crayons</li> <li>-small candies or trinkets (optional)</li> <li>-paper and pen</li> <li>-play binoculars or empty paper towel rolls to use as a telescope to look for the hidden treasure.</li> </ul> <p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b></p> <p><i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>
<p>FINGER PLAYS</p>	<p><a href="#">The Bible is God's treasure book.</a>  His words are written there.  And when I turn each page to look,  I handle it with care.</p>
<p>SONG</p>	<p><a href="#">The B-I-B-L-E</a></p> <p><a href="#">O-B-E-Y</a></p>

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# WEEK SIX

## LESSON AGES 5-12

REVIEW	<p>Last week we learned how the gospel changes us into a new creation. As we live our new life, we will meet people who disagree with us and may want to hurt us because we follow Jesus. But we don't have to fear because the Lord is with us and we have other Jesus followers to help us if we encounter suffering for our faith.</p>
MAIN TRUTH	<p><b>The gospel is the only way we can be saved. We must not be led astray by the ways of the world.</b></p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>At the beginning of the summer, we learned about the big story of the Bible. We learned about how sin entered God's good creation through Adam and Eve, and how God made a promise that one day a Savior would come to defeat sin and restore humanity back into a right relationship with Himself. We learned that this Savior is Jesus. Only He could save us. Only through Him can we enjoy being with God forever.</p> <p>Belief in Jesus and His work on the cross is the only way we can be saved. To fully understand this truth, we need to understand <i>why</i> we need a savior.</p> <p>Man was created to reflect God and His glory to the world. When sin entered the world through Adam, the earth and all of humanity fell under the rule of sin. From that point on, every person who was born was born into sin (except Jesus). We can see this sin in our hearts when we are mean, when we disobey, or when we selfishly only do things that we want to do even if it hurts others. These behaviours are not things we want to continue doing because sin has consequences; right now consequences and forever consequences. Sin leads to death and separation from God forever. Sinful people must be separated from God because God is holy and cannot be near sin. We need something outside of ourselves to save us because our very nature is bent toward sin.</p> <p>The Bible tells us that "the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). Wages are payment, so that phrase means the only payment for sin is death. But</p>

	<p>God loved us so much that he made a way for us to be free paying that debt. He sent Jesus, the Savior, to die in our place so we wouldn't have to die. You see, Jesus was the only person who could become a sacrifice for sinful man. He was fully man and fully God. He alone, out of all the humans who ever lived, was able to live a sinless life. He chose to die a sinner's death he did not deserve and experience the pain of being apart from His Father so that those who believe in Him have a way back to God.</p> <p>Throughout Church history, false teachers have tried to lead God's people astray by claiming there is a way other than Jesus to be made right with God. Paul and Timothy were experiencing this very thing. Paul reminded him to avoid false teachers claiming there was any other way outside of Jesus to be saved.</p> <p>Sadly, we see these same lies in our world today. One example of a lie from the world is this: we can make ourselves good in our own strength. This is a dangerous and false teaching because we cannot do anything to take away our own sin. We can change our own behaviours, but we can't change our hearts. Our sin problem is not something we can fix in our own strength. Only Jesus can save us. We must guard our hearts from false teachers who would encourage us to follow the way of the world.</p>
ACTIVITY	Go on a prayer walk. Encourage your children to observe the trees, leaves, and flowers and to thank God for his creation. Pray for your neighbors and your neighborhood; that God would give you opportunities to reach them with the gospel and that hearts would be changed.
PRAYER	<i>Father, thank You for your abundant love over us. Thank You that while we were sinners, You died and made a way for us to be made right with You. Thank You that because of You, our greatest problem was taken care of on the cross. We love You, Lord. Please give us boldness to tell the world of Your amazing love. In Jesus' name, Amen.</i>
MEMORY VERSE	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b></p> <p><i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>

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# WEEK SEVEN

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Text	Timothy 3:10-4:5	
Main Truth	<b>The gospel is worth suffering for. We can endure and be sober-minded.</b>	
Activity	Make a path	True or False Game
Memory Verse	Take a video of your child reciting or singing the memory verse. Let your child watch their “movie”. Send the video to a relative or friend or post to social media.	
Teaching Tip	<p>“High/lows or Sunny/Stormy”</p> <p>Start a conversation by asking your child what part of their day was “sunny” or “high” and what part of their day was “stormy” or “low”. This can help give your child a safe space to reflect on their day, what they’ve learned, and process their emotions. With younger children, you may need to help them remember parts of the day. We can thank God that He is with us always, when we are happy and when we are sad.</p>	

# WEEK SEVEN

## LESSON AGE 1-4

REVIEW	God's Word is true and is a treasure. It is a treasure because it tells us about God and about Jesus.
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel is worth suffering for. We can endure and be sober-minded.</b>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>We have learned about loving God and being His special helper. Though we may want to love and serve God, not everyone will. Sometimes, when we are obeying and serving God other people may not like us.</p> <p>Paul was teaching people that Jesus died for our sins and rose from the dead. He told people that Jesus is the only way that we can be saved from sin. Paul was being bold and telling the truth about God. People that disagreed with Paul and put him in jail! Even today, there are some places in the world where people are hurting because they love Jesus.</p> <p>We may have to suffer because we believe in Jesus. We can stay strong because God's Spirit is with us. Following God and loving Jesus is the way we want to live. God loves us so much and His way is the true and best way for us to live.</p>
ACTIVITY	<p><b>Stepping Stones</b></p> <p>Make stepping stones out of construction paper, or use real paver stones if you have them. Have the child walk the path without missing a step. Tell them it is easy to get off the path of following God, but we pray that God will help us stay on His path. If you have older children, a park with stepping stones in a creek might be a fun way to convey this idea!</p>
PRAYER	<i>Dear God, Help us follow You even when it is hard. Help us love You more than anything. Thank You for sending Jesus to die on the cross for our sins. Amen!</i>
MEMORY VERSE & ACTIVITY	<b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b>

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# WEEK SEVEN

## LESSON AGES 5-12

REVIEW	<p>Last week, we learned that faith in Jesus is the only way to get to God. We learned how sin entered the world and how Jesus was the only person who could save us from it with his work on the cross. We also learned that there are false teachers who try to lead the people of God astray. We have to guard our hearts against these false teachers and hold fast to the truth given to us through God’s Word.</p>
MAIN TRUTH	<p><b>The gospel is worth suffering for. We can endure and be sober-minded.</b></p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>In 2 Timothy 3:12, Paul writes, <i>“Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.”</i> Like we learned last week, persecution is to be expected when we follow Jesus. Christians have been given a precious gift in the gospel. We have been given the opportunity to be in fellowship with God and to spend eternity with Him and our fellow brothers and sisters in the faith. Unfortunately, this message is offensive to those who don’t want to follow God’s Word. We can read Paul’s encouragement to Timothy in chapter 4 verses 3-5:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.”</p> <p>Remember when we talked about how our hearts make terrible leaders? Those who are outside of Jesus can <i>only</i> follow their hearts. Paul says they will not endure sound teaching and have itching ears. They turn away from truth and reject Jesus. Those who reject Jesus will also reject his people and often they can become hostile to God’s people. They will want to make the gospel look silly or untrue. How do we endure? We have to know why we believe and, like Paul, we have to “know in whom we</p>

	<p>believe.” Knowing God, His character, His plan of salvation, and His love for us through Jesus will help us to be “ready in season and out of season.”</p> <p>Paul gives a wonderful encouragement to stick to the gospel and continue to spread its message. This command is in direct opposition to those who want to follow their hearts and turn away. The thought of suffering and undergoing persecution because of the gospel is not very pleasant, but remember we have such wonderful hope in Christ! God has given his Spirit to help us whenever we need Him.</p>
<p>ACTIVITY</p>	<p><b>True or False</b></p> <p>Play a game of “ True or False”. Children can give a thumbs up for true statements and thumbs down for false (or you could make up tones like “ding ding ding” for true and “whomp whomp” for false.)</p> <p>For example:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Bible is a book about God. True</li> <li>2. The Bible is a book with make believe stories. False</li> <li>3. Jesus was a good man, but not God’s son. False</li> <li>4. The only way for our sins to be forgiven is by accepting Jesus as our Savior. True</li> </ol> <p>Older children may want to turn the tables and write their own statements to quiz YOU!</p>
<p>PRAYER</p>	<p><i>Father, we want to know You. Help us to see the beauty of Jesus and help us to stay sober-minded in the face of those who want to discredit our faith. Help us to be ready in season and out of season and thank You, Lord, for Your Spirit in us that empowers us to endure all suffering and persecution.</i></p>
<p>MEMORY VERSE</p>	<p><b>2 Timothy 2:1-2</b></p> <p><i>You then my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.</i></p>

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# WEEK EIGHT

## OVERVIEW

	Ages 1-4	Ages 5-12
Text	2 Timothy 4: 6-22	
Main Truth	<b>The gospel is a treasure worth defending and suffering for.</b>	
Activity	Picnic	Picnic
Memory Verse	<p>Have a parade around the yard or house and say or sing the memory verse as you march. Use some instruments if you have them at home, or make some streamers out of crepe paper, ribbons or scarves.</p> <p>Celebrate the gospel!</p>	
Teaching Tip	<p>“Pray, Pray, Pray”</p> <p>We are convinced the best thing you can do for your children is to pray for them! Saturate their lives in prayer and trust in the Lord to do a good work in their lives as you teach them about Him!</p>	

# WEEK EIGHT

## LESSON AGE 1-4

REVIEW	The Bible is God’s book and all of it is true! God shows us who He is and teaches us how to live in His Word.
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel is a treasure worth defending and suffering for.</b>
ACTIVITY	<p>Celebrate the completion of Summer Study with a backyard picnic or picnic on the living room floor. Eat with your children and talk about the truths we learned!</p> <p>See what they liked best! I’m sure they really liked this time with YOU!</p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>All summer we have studied the letter of Paul to Timothy. Now Paul is at the end of his letter and is saying goodbye. He wants Timothy to remember all the things he told him in the letter. Can you remember what some of those things were?</p> <p>We learned that the Bible is true and is a treasure. It tells us how God wants us to live. We can continue to follow God even if other people don’t like us! We can defend the truth of the gospel because we know that Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins. We can ask Jesus to forgive us for our sins and he can! When we believe in Jesus, we can live forever with God in heaven. God is always with us.</p> <p>The last thing Paul says to Timothy is “The Lord be with your spirit, Grace be with you.” This is our hope and desire for each and every one of you! May God and His grace be with you always.</p>
PRAYER	<p><a href="#"><u>God is listening.</u></a>          God is listening,          To each word I say.          He will hear me,          He will hear me,          Everytime I pray.</p>



	<i>Dear God, Please be with my child. Help them to grow strong in Your Spirit of truth and to love You all of their life. In Jesus' name, Amen.</i>
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# WEEK EIGHT

## LESSON AGES 5-12

REVIEW	<i>*See Below</i>
MAIN TRUTH	<b>The gospel is a treasure worth defending and suffering for.</b>
ACTIVITY	<p><b>Picnic Celebration</b></p> <p>Celebrate the completion of summer study with a picnic outside or on your living room floor. As you eat or enjoy a special treat review the lesson content and talk to your children about the many truths we learned this summer!</p>
LESSON CONTENT	<p>Let's review what we have learned this summer:</p> <p>Week 1 - The Bible is a big story that tells about how God created the universe and how Adam and Eve sinned against God and were separated from Him. It tells about God's great plan to bring His people back to Himself through Jesus Christ, and how one day all things will be restored and those who have put their faith in Jesus will live forever with God.</p> <p>Week 2 - The gospel has been handed down from generation to generation through God's Word and through the Great Commission. We are a part of a heritage of faithful servants of the Lord.</p> <p>Week 3 - Believers have a gospel responsibility to listen and obey the word of God and to spread the good news. Paul was not ashamed of the gospel because he knew who God was and that His gospel is our only hope for salvation.</p> <p>Week 4 - The gospel message is true. False teachers who were telling a story about Jesus that was not true because it was not in line with God's Word. Those same issues are a part of our world today and because of that, we must learn what is true and make wise choices.. We do this by reading and studying God's Word and thinking deeply about it.</p>

Week 5 - The gospel changes us into a new creation. As we live our new life with God, we may encounter opposition and persecution. But we have a glorious hope in Jesus Christ. We don't have to fear because we have the Lord and we have the family of God.

Week 6 - Our faith in Jesus is the only path to being right with God. All humans are born with sinful hearts. Jesus is the only sinless person and He gave His life for sinners on the cross. There are false teachers who try to lead the people of God astray. We have to guard our hearts against these false teachers and hold fast to the truth given to us through God's Word.

Week 7 - Last week we talked about the best way to stay strong in the faith. Knowing God and trusting Jesus will help us to stay faithful to the one true way. Even though there are people who want to discredit our faith, we can know what we believe in the gospel is the truth and that the Bible is where we learn this truth.

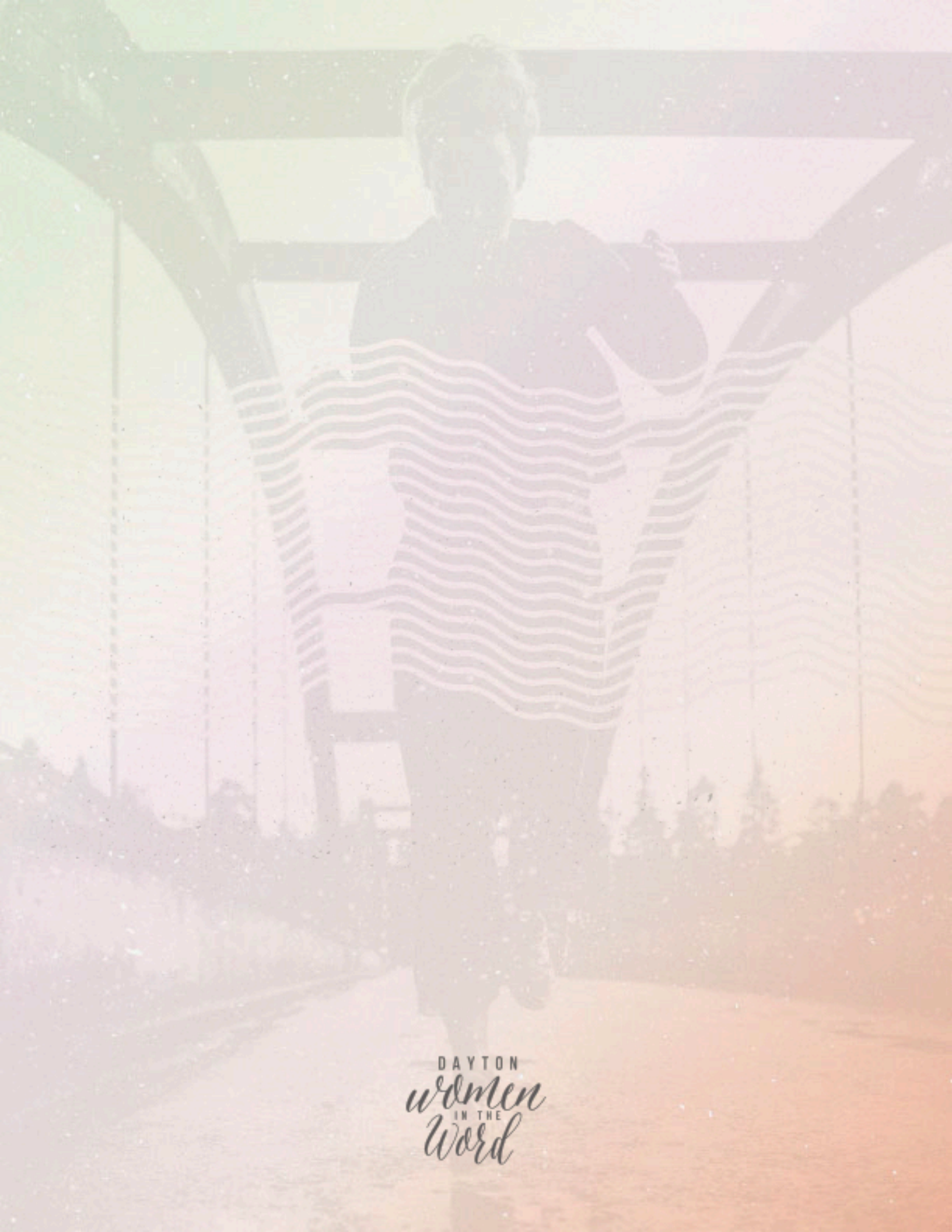
The story of the Bible is true and the good news that it tells is a treasure. We look to the Bible to know God and to know how God wants us to live. God loved the world so much that He sent Jesus to save us. Jesus died on the cross for our sins and when we believe in Jesus, confess our sins and ask him to heal our hearts, He will save us and lead us on the path to salvation.

Following the path Jesus leads us on will allow us to spend forever with God. Because Jesus is the only way to God, believers will face opposition. We must remember the Word of God and what it says about Jesus and be ready to defend the truth of the gospel. We do this by the power of the Holy Spirit, our helper, that dwells in every believer.

We have covered a lot over the last eight weeks! As Paul draws his letter to a close, he encourages Timothy to continue to follow his example and to stick to the faith. Paul says in chapter 4 verse 7, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." This encouragement is for us today, as well. We can continue fighting for the truth and run our race with hope and assurance of God's grace and love.

<p>PRAYER</p>	<p><i>Thank You, Lord, for Your Word and for the truth of the gospel. Thank You for Jesus and that through Him we can be saved. We ask, Lord, that You would help us to fight the good fight of faith and run our race by the power of Your Spirit. In Jesus' name, AMEN.</i></p>
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