



**HOPEWELL MB CHURCH**  
**VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON**  
**OVERVIEW STUDY GUIDE (Children and Youth)**

Parents, the following information is provided to you to study the lesson with your son/daughter each week. The study materials are part of the **International Sunday School Lesson**, excerpted from the **Union Gospel Press Sunday School book**.

The overview will be presented each Sunday Morning @ 8:30, prior to regular Sunday Morning Worship Service. Lesson discussion material will be rotated weekly amongst the various Target Groups (Junior, Primary, and Beginner classes) in an effort to include all ages in this lesson series.

The Overview is merely a brief discussion of the bible lesson. In order to gain a better understanding of the lesson, it is recommended that, prior to each lesson, participants read through the **Lesson Text, Related Scriptures, Daily Bible Reading** scriptures (each day), try to answer the **Review Questions**, and make a note of any additional questions you may have. We suggest using a "kid-friendly" bible version for the scripture passages. Prayer and meditation are always essential in gaining a better understanding of God's Word and its relevance to your life and situation.

Lessons will no longer be live streamed, however, we invite you to join us for in-person class discussion.

**February 2023**

**UNIT III:**

**All lessons this month will examine the blessings of the amazing grace that God has provided for us in Jesus Christ.**

**WEEK 1-God's Help in Hard Times:** This lesson will show us how God helps us to deal with trials and difficulties

**WEEK 2- God's Comfort for Us:** This lesson will help believers to understand why God allows suffering

**WEEK 3- Learning to be Like God:** This lesson will cover a list of Christian virtues and how we can trust God to help us to do the right thing

**WEEK 4- Learning to Live God's Way:** This lesson will show that the best way to listen to God and learn how to live a life that pleases God is to follow Jesus' example.

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**DATE OF LESSON:** February 5, 2023

**LESSON TITLE:** God's Help in Hard Times

**LESSON TEXT:** James 1:1-8, 12-18

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 5:10-12; I Peter 1:3-9; I Peter 3:13-18;  
Revelation 2:8-11

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him"* (James 1:12)

**TARGET AGE GROUP:** This week's discussion is taken from the **Junior High School Bible Class** book.

### REVIEWING THE LESSON

Underline the best word or phrase to complete each sentence

1. James wrote his letter to
  - a. The twelve disciples
  - b. The twelve tribes
  - c. The twelve nations
  
2. God wants His children to be good
  - a. Singers
  - b. Workers
  - c. Examples

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- What did God promise to do with the people of Israel? (Ezekiel 37:15-28)

T- How should believers respond to suffering? (I Peter 3:13-18)

W- What did the Lord say He was aware of? (Revelations 2:8-11)

Th- What is the city of God called? (Revelations 3:7-13)

F- Whose example should believers remember? (James 5:7-11)

Sa- What is reserved in heaven for Christians? (I Peter 1:3-9)

Su- What happens when the faith of believers is tested? (James 1:1-8, 12-18)

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**DATE OF LESSON:** February 12, 2023

**LESSON TITLE:** God's Comfort for Us

**LESSON TEXT:** II Corinthians 1:3-11

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Psalm 71:1-24; John 14:15-27; John 15:18-27; I Peter 4:12-19

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *"Our hope of you is steadfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation"* (II Corinthians 1:7)

**TARGET AGE GROUP:** This week's discussion is taken from the **Primary Bible Class** book.

#### REVIEWING THE LESSON

1. What does comfort mean? (when someone makes somebody else feel better)
2. What is a missionary? (someone who goes places to talk about Jesus with others)
3. Who comforted Paul? (God)
4. How did Paul's friends help him? (they prayed for him)
5. What do you learn when God comforts you? (you learn how to comfort others)

#### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- Why should God's people not fear? (Isaiah 51:12-16)

T- What did God promise for Jerusalem? (Isaiah 66:10-14)

W- Who did Jesus promise would comfort His disciples? (John 14:15-27)

Th- When is God's strength best noticed? (II Corinthians 12:7-10)

F- The pain of present suffering is no comparison to what? (Romans 8:18-25)

Sa- What does God give His people through grace? (II Thessalonians 2:13-17)

Su- Why does God comfort His people? (II Corinthians 1:3-11)

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**DATE OF LESSON:** February 19, 2023

**LESSON TITLE:** Learning to Be Like God

**LESSON TEXT:** II Peter 1:3-14

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Ephesians 4:17-32; I John 2:28-3:10

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *“For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ”* (II Peter 1:8)

**TARGET AGE GROUP:** This week’s discussion is taken from the **Junior High School Bible Class** book.

#### REVIEWING THE LESSON

Complete the sentences with the correct word or phrase from the list below

1. Peter said that God has given “us all things that pertain unto \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.”
2. God has given “us great and precious \_\_\_\_\_”.
3. Peter said we must give all \_\_\_\_\_. We must work hard to add to our \_\_\_\_\_ virtue.
4. To \_\_\_\_\_ we must add knowledge.
5. To \_\_\_\_\_ we must add temperance.
6. To \_\_\_\_\_ we must add patience.
7. To \_\_\_\_\_ we must add godliness.
8. To \_\_\_\_\_ we must add brotherly kindness.
9. To \_\_\_\_\_ we add charity.
10. Peter said that if Christians possess these qualities, we will grow and bear fruit “in knowledge of our Lord \_\_\_\_\_.”

#### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- How do Christians think in a new way? (Ephesians 4:17-24)

T- What traits should believers get rid of in their lives? (Ephesians 4:25-32)

W- How can Christians not have shame when Christ appears? (I John 2:28-3:3)

Th- What role does God’s mercy play in His plan to save us? (Titus 3:3-8)

F- Who helps God’s Word to be received with joy? (I Thessalonians 1:4-10)

Sa- What things can you ask God to help other believers with? (Colossians 1:9-14)

Su- How can believers avoid being corrupted by worldly ways? (II Peter 1:3-14)

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**DATE OF LESSON:** February 26, 2023

**LESSON TITLE:** Learning to Live God's Way

**LESSON TEXT:** Galatians 5:18-6:10

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Romans 6:1-23; Romans 8:1-17; Romans 13:8-14; Colossians 3:12-17

**GOLDEN TEXT:** *"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance"* (Galatians 5:22-23)

**TARGET AGE GROUP:** This week's discussion is taken from the **Beginner Bible Class** book.

**REVIEWING THE LESSON**

1. **What is a Christian?** (people who follow Jesus Christ and are a part of God's family)
2. **Who is the Holy Spirit?** (The Holy Spirit is God, just as Jesus is God and God the Father is God)
3. **What helps us live God's way?** (the Holy Spirit)
4. **What does the Holy Spirit help us stop wanting to do?** (wrong things)
5. **Do people who are not Christians have the Holy Spirit?** (no, only those who have accepted Jesus)

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

**(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)**

**M-** What was the law unable to do? (Romans 8:1-11)

**T-** Who agrees that Christians are God's children? (Romans 8:12-17)

**W-** What should rule in the hearts of God's people? (Colossians 3:12-17)

**Th-** What kind of servant is a believer in Jesus Christ? (Romans 6:15-23)

**F-** What should continue to increase in Christians? (Philippians 1:9-11)

**Sa-** Who cannot understand the truths of God's Spirit? (I Corinthians 2:10-16)

**Su-** What types of traits does the Holy Spirit produce in believers? (Galatians 5:18-6:10)