



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.

We invite you to join us for in-person class discussion.

April 2023

UNIT II: By His Sacrifice

All lessons this month will focus on the great sacrifice Jesus made on our behalf

WEEK 1-Taking Our Punishment: This lesson covers the ultimate display of love towards unworthy sinners.

WEEK 2- Risen From the Dead (Easter): This lesson covers Jesus' triumphant resurrection and the Father's ultimate stamp of approval on Jesus' sacrifice.

WEEK 3- Jesus Proves He Rose From the Dead: This lesson demonstrates Jesus' care for his disciples by remaining with them to see that they were prepared for their mission

WEEK 4- The Bread of Life: This lesson focuses on Jesus' teachings as he proclaims himself to be the bread of life.

WEEK 5- The Light of the World: This lesson continues Jesus' teachings as he proclaims himself to be the light of the world

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DATE OF LESSON: April 2, 2023

LESSON TITLE: Taking Our Punishment

LESSON TEXT: Matthew 27:38-54

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Psalm 22:1-18; Isaiah 53:3-12; Luke 23:32-47

GOLDEN TEXT: *"We have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world"* (I John 4:14)

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

REVIEWING THE LESSON

1. **Who was crucified on each side of Jesus?** (two thieves)
2. **What were some people saying about Jesus?**
3. **What did Jesus do instead of saving Himself?** (he stayed on the cross)
4. **Why didn't Jesus try to prove who He was?** (Jesus knew who He was, where He came from)
5. **What would you do if no one around you believed what you could do?**
6. **Have you ever had to make a tough decision?**
7. **What are some things you think are powerful? What are some things you think are weak?**
8. **How long was the land in darkness? Why?** (The land was in darkness 3 days because the sun was blocked)
9. **What happened after Jesus died?** (an earthquake shook and the veil in the temple was torn from top to bottom)
10. **Why can people who have done really bad things still be forgiven by God?** (Jesus' death on the cross made a way for people to be forgiven)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- Jesus Sentenced to Die (Luke 23:13-31)

T- Christ's Death Foretold (Psalm 22:1-18)

W- Golgotha (John 19:16-24)

Th- The Suffering Saviour (Isaiah 53:3-12)

F- The Faith of the Thief (Luke 23:32-43)

Sa- It Is Finished (John 19:28-30)

Su- Forsaken by God (Matthew 27:38-54)

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We will not have in-person class today. Morning Worship Service will begin at 9:00 a.m.

DATE OF LESSON: April 9, 2023

LESSON TITLE: Risen From the Dead (Easter)

LESSON TEXT: John 20:1-10, 19-20

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Psalm 16:1-11; Luke 24:1-12; I Corinthians 15:12-19; Ephesians 1:15-23

GOLDEN TEXT: *“Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you”*

(John 20:19)

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

REVIEWING THE LESSON

1. **What did Mary go to the tomb to do?** (to prepare Jesus’ body for burial)
2. **What happened after Jesus was in the grave for three days?** (Jesus rose from the dead)
3. **What did the angel move away from the tomb?** (a stone)
4. **What did Peter and John see inside the tomb?** (they saw that the tomb was empty; the clothes Jesus was wearing were neatly folded up)
5. **Why did God have an angel move the stone?** (so the people could see that Jesus was not there)
6. **Where did Jesus go later?** (He went to the Upper Room where the disciples were)
7. **What did Jesus say when He appeared to the disciples?** (Peace be unto you)
8. **What emotions did the disciples show?** (they were surprised, then happy and excited)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- The Stone Rolled Away (Mark 16:1-11)

T- No Hope Without Resurrection (I Corinthians 15:12-19)

W- God’s Mighty Power (Ephesians 1:15-23)

Th- He Is Risen (Luke 24:1-12)

F- The Sign of Jonah (Matthew 12:38-42)

Sa- Not Abandoned to the Grave (Psalm 16:1-11)

Su- An Empty Tomb (John 20:1-10, 19-20)

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DATE OF LESSON: April 16, 2023

LESSON TITLE: Jesus Proves He Rose From the Dead

LESSON TEXT: Luke 24:36-53

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Acts 1:1-4; I Corinthians 15:3-8; I John 1:1-4

GOLDEN TEXT: *“all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me”* (Luke 24:44)

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

REVIEWING THE LESSON

1. **What did Jesus do after He had died?** (He rose from the dead and appeared to His friends)
2. **What did the disciples think Jesus was when He appeared?** (they did not think it was Jesus; they thought he was a ghost)
3. **What did Jesus show the disciples to prove it was Him?** (He showed them His hands and feet)
4. **What was special about Jesus’ hands and feet?** (they had holes in them from the nails)
5. **What else did Jesus do to prove it was really Him?** (He told His disciples to touch Him)
6. **Why did Jesus ask the disciples for something to eat?** (To show that He was not a ghost; he could eat)
7. **What did Jesus do after He finished eating?** (He taught His disciples about His death and resurrection)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- Many Infallible Proofs (Acts 1:1-4)

T- Christ Arose (I Corinthians 15:3-8)

W- The Word of Life (I John 1:1-4)

Th- Jesus With The Disciples (Mark 16:12-14)

F- The Road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35)

Sa- The Third Appearance (John 21:1-14)

Su- Scripture Now Fulfilled (Luke 24:36-53)

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DATE OF LESSON: April 23, 2023

LESSON TITLE: The Bread of Life

LESSON TEXT: John 6:22-35

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Exodus 16:4-18; Isaiah 55:1-7; John 6:1-13

GOLDEN TEXT: *“Jesus saith unto them, I am the bread of life; he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst”* (John 6:35)

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

REVIEWING THE LESSON

1. **What was the main source of food during Jesus’ time?** (bread was the main source of food)
2. **Where did Jesus get food to feed the hungry people?** (a little boy’s lunch)
3. **What was in the boy’s lunch?** (two fish and five loaves of bread)
4. **How many people needed to be fed?** (there were thousands of people looking for food)
5. **What did Jesus do?** (He had all the people to sit down, He prayed over the food and passed it out to the people)
6. **Was there enough food to feed the people?** (yes, there was some left over after the people ate)
7. **What kind of food did Jesus tell them they should be looking for?** (bread from heaven that will give them eternal life)
8. **What did Jesus mean when He said He was the Bread of Life?** (He is our main source of strength)
9. **How does bread compare to Jesus?** (just as bread gives our bodies fuel to help us live, Jesus gives our spirits fuel)

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- The Feeding of the Five Thousand (John 6:1-13)

T- God Sends Manna (Exodus 16:4-18)

W- Complaints About Manna (Numbers 11:4-10)

Th- Judgement For Ungrateful Hearts (Psalm 78:17-31)

F- God’s Mercy On Mankind (Isaiah 55:1-7)

Sa- One With Christ (John 6:47-58)

Su- The True Bread From Heaven (John 6:22-35)

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DATE OF LESSON: April 30, 2023

LESSON TITLE: The Light of the World

LESSON TEXT: John 8:12-20; 12:44-46

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 9:2-6; Matthew 5:14-16; John 1:1-10; I John 5:5-13

GOLDEN TEXT: *"I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life"* (John 8:12)

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

REVIEWING THE LESSON

(draw a star next to the sentences that are true)

1. Jesus said, "I am the Light of the World". _____
2. Jesus was saying He is a flashlight. _____
3. Jesus shows us the right way to live. _____
4. Sin is like light. _____
5. It is good for us to live in sinful ways. _____
6. When we sin, we hurt other people and ourselves. _____
7. We get out of the dark shadow of sin by getting to know Jesus. _____
8. If you are a Christian, you will not want to live Jesus' way. _____
9. Jesus, the Light of the World, will help us live in His light. _____

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- A Light to the Nations (Isaiah 9:2-4)

T- The True Light (John 1:1-10)

W- Believers Shine Forth in the World (Philippians 2:12-16)

Th- Life Through the Son (I John 5:5-13)

F- Out of the Darkness Into the Light (John 3:16-21)

Sa- The Path of the Just (Proverbs 4:14-22)

Su- The Light of Life (John 8:12-20; 12:44-46)