

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 lesson 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.

This 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.

May 2023

UNIT III: By His Teachings

All lessons this month will continue the teachings of Jesus

WEEK 1-The Good Shepherd: This lesson will help us to establish a better relationship with Jesus by showing that He is our Good Shepherd who watches over and protects us

WEEK 2- Jesus Gives Us Life Forever: This lesson will show how we can experience the resurrection and the life to come with Jesus when we believe in Him

WEEK 3- The True Vine: This lesson exhorts Christians to cultivate the kind of relationship with Christ that helps them to bear fruit in their lives

WEEK 4- Jesus Prays for His Followers: This lesson reveals the heart of Jesus as He prays first for His disciples and then for future believers

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DATE OF LESSON: May 7, 2023 **LESSON TITLE:** The Good Shepherd

LESSON TEXT: John 10:7-18

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Psalm 23:1-6; Jeremiah 23:1-6; Ezekiel 34:10-25; I Peter 5:1-4 **GOLDEN TEXT:** "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep"

(John 10:11)

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

book.

REVIEWING THE LESSON

- 1. Why do you think Jesus compared His followers to sheep? Just like a good shepherd leads his sheep to good grass and water, Jesus gives us what we need to live
- 2. What is the most important thing a shepherd does? He protects his sheep
- **3.** What did Jesus mean when He said "I am the Door"? Just like the door is the only way to get into the pen where the sheep are kept, Jesus is the only way we can get into heaven.
- **4.** What are things good leaders do in comparison to bad leaders? Bad leaders do not want to protect the sheep like good leaders do.
- **5. Does God care about us?** God sent His son (Jesus) to die in our place and take the punishment for our sins. He cares about us right now, and He cares about our future.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- The Lord Is My Shepherd (Psalm 23:1-6)

T- The Lord's Flock (Ezekiel 34:10-25)

W- Peter Commissioned to Shepherd (John 21:15-17)

Th- Shepherd the Flock (I Peter 5:1-4)

F- He Will Feed His Flock (Isaiah 40:9-14)

Sa- Perfect In Every Good Work (Hebrews 13:20-21)

Su- The Door to Eternal Life (John 10:7-18)

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DATE OF LESSON: May 14, 2023

LESSON TITLE: Jesus Gives Us Life Forever

LESSON TEXT: John 11:17-27

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Daniel 12:1-3; John 11:1-16, 28-45; I Corinthians 15:20-26;

Philippians 3:7-14

GOLDEN TEXT: "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were

dead, yet shall he live" (John 11:25)

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

REVIEWING THE LESSON

(circle the correct word to complete the sentence)

- 1. What happened to Jesus' friend Lazarus? He got sick and died
- 2. Who met Jesus? Martha, Lazarus' sister
- 3. What did Jesus do for Lazarus? He brought him back to life
- 4. What will happen to those who believe in Jesus? They will live again

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- The Death of Lazarus (John 11:1-16)

T- Lazarus Raised to Life (John 11:28-45)

W- Awakening to Life or to Shame (Daniel 12:1-3)

Th- The Resurrection of the Dead (I Corinthians 15:20-26)

F- The Power of His Resurrection (Philippians 3:7-14)

Sa-The Resurrection of the Just and the Unjust (Acts 24:10-21)

Su- Those In Christ Will Never Die (John 11:17-27)

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DATE OF LESSON: May 21, 2023 **LESSON TITLE:** The True Vine **LESSON TEXT:** John 15:1-17

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 5:1-7; Isaiah 27:2-6; Colossians 2:6-10; I John 2:24-29

GOLDEN TEXT: "I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the

same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing" (John 15:5)

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

REVIEWING THE LESSON

- 1. What did Jesus use to show that it is important to stay connected to Him? Jesus used a parable
- 2. What did Jesus compare Himself to? Jesus compared Himself to a vine
- 3. What did Jesus compare us to? Jesus compared us to branches
- 4. What did Jesus say the most important fruit is? Jesus said the most important fruit is love
- 5. What did Jesus say would happen if we stay connected to Him? We will produce a lot of fruit

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- The Parable of the Vineyard (Isaiah 5:1-7)

T- The Lord's Vineyard (Isaiah 27:2-6)

W- Rooted In Christ (Colossians 2:6-10)

Th- A Fruitless Vine (Ezekiel 15:1-8)

F- IA Vine Out of Egypt (Psalm 80:8-19)

Sa- My Servant the Branch (Zechariah 3:6-10)

Su- Abide In Me (John 15:1-17)

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DATE OF LESSON: May 28, 2023

LESSON TITLE: Jesus Prays for His Followers

LESSON TEXT: John 17:6-21

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Luke 22:31-32; John 17:22-24; Hebrews 7:24-27

GOLDEN TEXT: "I pray that they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee"

(John 17:21)

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

book.

REVIEWING THE LESSON

- 1. Who did Jesus pray for? Jesus prayed for His followers
- 2. Who are Jesus' followers? All those who trust in Him
- **3.** How does knowing that Jesus is walking alongside you change how you think about difficult times? It should be very comforting to us to know that Jesus is walking alongside us during difficult times
- 4. What does Jesus prayer teach us? Jesus' prayer shows us that we should pray for eternal things
- 5. Have you ever felt like a stranger in the world? How?
- 6. What did Jesus come to give us (John 10:10)? Jesus came to give us abundant life
- **7.** What does it mean that our home is in heaven? It means that when we die, if we trust in Jesus, we will live with Him forever in heaven

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week prior to the lesson)

M- Our High Priest and Intercessor (Hebrews 7:24-27)

T- Jesus Prays for our Oneness with God (John 17:22-26)

W- The Lord Prays for Peter's Faith (Luke 22:24-34)

Th- Believe and Confess Jesus Is Lord (Romans 10:5-17)

F- The Lord's Favor (Isaiah 61:1-11)

Sa- Ask in Confidence (I John 3:19-24)

Su- Prayer for Protection (John 17:6-21)