

# 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.

# June 2023

# **UNIT I: Understanding God's Kingdom**

All lessons this month will focus on God's kingdom

**WEEK 1-What Is God's Kingdom Like?:** This lesson highlights Jesus' Beatitudes compared to the world's viewpoint

**WEEK 2- God's Perfect Law:** This lesson is also from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which highlights a kingdom that fulfills God's law.

**WEEK 3- A Victorious Kingdom :** This lesson examines how God's kingdom is victorious over worldly kingdoms

**WEEK 4- How God's Kingdom Grows:** This lesson examines three parables about how God's kingdom grows

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DATE OF LESSON: June 4, 2023

**LESSON TITLE: What Is God's Kingdom Like?** 

**LESSON TEXT:** Matthew 5:1-16

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Psalm 24:1-6; Isaiah 66:1-2; Luke 6:20-26; Hebrews 11:36-38

**GOLDEN TEXT:** "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall

be filled" (Matthew 5:6)

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

book.

### **REVIEWING THE LESSON**

- 1. What is God's kingdom filled with? It is filled with hope and joy
- 2. What do you imagine God's kingdom, heaven, will look like?
- 3. Who will live in God's kingdom? Those people who put their faith in Jesus
- 4. What are somethings you can do to show you are living God's way?
- 5. How can you show mercy to others?
- 6. What do the first four Beatitudes teach us? They teach us about God helping us
- 7. What do the next four Beatitudes teach us? They teach us about how we can help others

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- Comforted by Repentance (II Corinthians 7:8-13)

T- Humility Draws God's Attention (Isaiah 66:1-2)

W- New Heaven and New Earth (Revelations 21:1-4)

Th- Suffering Prophets (Hebrews 11:36-38)

F- Who Receives God's Blessings? (Psalm 24:1-6)

Sa- The Beatitudes (Luke 6:20-26)

Su- Who Are Kingdom Citizens? (Matthew 5:1-16)

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**DATE OF LESSON:** June 11, 2023 **LESSON TITLE:** God's Perfect Law

**LESSON TEXT:** Matthew 5:17-18, 21-22, 27-28, 38-39, 43-44

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Acts 14:8-18; Romans 9:30-10:4; I Corinthians 3:11-15; James 2:10-13 **GOLDEN TEXT:** "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to

destroy, but to fulfill " (Matthew 5:17)

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

## **REVIEWING THE LESSON**

- 1. What did Jesus show us? (Jesus showed us how to live and to obey God)
- 2. How does God want us to treat others? (God wants us to do good to all people and to love them)
- 3. How does God expect us to treat our enemies or people who do wrong? (God expect us to love even those who do wrong)
- **4.** How can we obey God's law? (By trusting in Jesus and asking Him to help us)
- 5. Who is pleased when we say and do what is right? (God)

### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- Unbelieving Israel (Romans 9:30-10:4)

T- Building on the Foundation of Christ (I Corinthians 3:11-15)

W- Mercy Over Judgement (James 2:10-13)

Th- Common Grace (Acts 14:8-18)

F- God Hates Evil (Psalm 5:4-8)

Sa- Understanding God's Laws (Matthew 5:31-37)

Su- God's Standard for His Kingdom (Matthew 5:17-18, 21-22, 27-28, 38-39, 43-44)

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DATE OF LESSON: June 18, 2023

**LESSON TITLE:** God's Kingdom Defeats Evil

**LESSON TEXT:** Mark 3:13-19; 6:6b-13

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Matthew 10:1-15; 12:22-32; Luke 11:14-23; I John 5:14-17

**GOLDEN TEXT:** "He ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send

them forth to preach" (Mark 3:14)

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

### **REVIEWING THE LESSON**

Circle the correct words in parentheses to complete the sentences

- 1. Jesus invited (twelve/seven) special helpers to help build God's (temple/kingdom).
- 2. Evil (could/could not) get in the way of God's kingdom.
- 3. Jesus healed people and did (miracles/birthday parties).
- 4. Jesus' disciples learned how to (teach about/punch) other people in God's kingdom.
- 5. Jesus (drove/sent) the disciples out to tell people about God's kingdom.
- 6. He gave His disciples special (food/power) from God.
- 7. The disciples did (cartwheels/miracles).
- 8. God's power is (bigger/weaker) than sickness and evil.

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- A House Divided (Matthew 12:22-32)

T- Jesus Overpowers Satan (Luke 11:14-23)

W- Sin That Leads to Death (I John 5:14-17)

Th- The Twelve Are Sent (Matthew 10:1-15)

F- The Seventy-Two Sent (Luke 10:1-12)

Sa- Lord of the Sabbath (Luke 6:1-5)

Su- Authority Over Satan (Mark 3:13-29; 6:6b-13)

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DATE OF LESSON: June 25, 2023

**LESSON TITLE:** How God's Kingdom Grows

**LESSON TEXT:** Matthew 13:24-33

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Daniel 2:24-47; Matthew 13:36-43; Mark 4:26-32; Luke 13:18-21

**GOLDEN TEXT:** "Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of the Harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn" (Matthew 13:30)

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

# **REVIEWING THE LESSON**

- 1. What did Jesus compare God's kingdom to? Jesus compared God's kingdom to a farmer who planted good seeds for wheat
- 2. How many Christians do you know?
- 3. How can Christians help God's kingdom grow? By telling others about Jesus
- 4. What would you tell others about Jesus? About God?
- 5. Why will some people not go to heaven? Those who do not believe in Jesus will not go to heaven
- 6. Do you know someone who does not believe in Jesus?

# **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- Small Beginnings (Mark 4:26-32)

T- Increasing Influence (Luke 13:18-21)

W- Setting Up God's Kingdom (Daniel 2:24-47)

Th- The Returning Christ (Matthew 24:29-31)

F- Evil Removed From the World (Matthew 13:36-43)

Sa- The Final Harvest (Revelations 14:14-20)

Su- Good and Evil Grow Together (Matthew 13:24-33)