



Power of the Gospel: Hope of the Gospel
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For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes—the Jew first and also the Gentile. - **Romans 1:16 NLT**

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Let me now remind you, dear brothers and sisters, of the Good News I preached to you before. You welcomed it then, and you still stand firm in it. - **1 Corinthians 15:1 NLT**

Jesus is our hope

Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. **2 Corinthians 5:17**

Now all things *are* of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, **2 Corinthians 5:18**

that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. **2 Corinthians 5:19**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Romans 15:13**

Share the message of Jesus' hope

Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore *you* on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. **2 Corinthians 5:20**

For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. **2 Corinthians 5:21**

But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, **1 Peter 3:15**

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. **2 Corinthians 5:10**

Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are well known to God, and I also trust are well known in your consciences. **2 Corinthians 5:11**

This Week's [New Testament+ reading plan:](#)

1. *John 6*
2. *John 7*
3. *John 8*
4. *John 9*
5. *John 10*
6. *Exodus 16*
7. *Prayer & Reflection*

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JESUS IS OUR FRIEND

JESUS' MIRACLES



Toddlers are just beginning to discover a new world of friends outside of their homes! Sharing, caring, and helping become important elements in learning how to socialize with new friends. What better friend to learn from than Jesus? In this series we will be introducing our very special friend Jesus! This might be the first time that our little toddlers hear that Jesus wants to be their friend!

Memory Verse: Jesus is our friend, John 15:15 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: Our Friend Jesus Cares for Us

Parent Connect: Ask your kid to retell today's story using the craft we made in class.

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MIRACLES AND MINISTRY

THE LIFE OF JESUS



This month we will be living in the wonder of the miracles of Jesus. We want our kids to be in awe of our awesome and all powerful Savior. He can change water to wine, heal the sick AND Jesus loves kids!

Memory Verse: You are the God who performs miracles; you display your power among the people. Psalm 77:14

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus is Powerful – John 2

Parent Connect: Today we started learning a new memory verse. Practice the verse and actions with your kid using the verse card provided. Then have your kid retell today's story using the craft or coloring sheet we made in class.

ELEMENTARY

ROMANS ROAD

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL

ROMANS
ROAD

As followers of Christ, we are His ambassadors to share His message of the gospel. One way we can do that is through Romans Road. Having a tool to share the gospel will give us courage to share with all those we meet.

Memory Verse: For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Romans 3:23

Heart of the Lesson: As ambassadors of Christ, we can share the gospel with others

Parent Connect: This year we have a goal of memorizing Romans Road. Hang up their Romans Road coloring sheet in an area where it can be seen every day to practice. Share a way that you feel comfortable sharing the Gospel.

GOOD NEWS!

WHAT IS THE GOSPEL?

The word “gospel” is used over 75 times in the New Testament! “Gospel” is translated from Greek and means Good News! What is this Good News? Join us the next five weeks as we learn the Good News, and how to share it with our friends.

Memory Verse: For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes—the Jew first and also the Gentile. Romans 1:16

Heart of the Lesson: God Created – God had a plan from the beginning, and He chose us to take part. Genesis 1, 2:1-4, Colossians 1:15-17, Ephesians 1:4, Genesis 1:27

Parent Connect: Have everyone in the family draw a picture of your favorite aspects of Creation and talk about them!

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

Know the Good News! Share the Good News!



The Gospel is Good News that Jesus came and died to take away our sins! But what does the Good News mean for us when we follow Jesus, and how should we share it with others? This series, we are learning all about the Good News of Jesus!

Memory Verse: Romans 1:16 (NIRV) “I want to preach it because I’m not ashamed of the good news. It is God’s power to save everyone who believes.”

Heart of the Lesson: We can share our hope in Jesus! (2 Corinthians 5:17-19)

Parent Connect:

- Who is our ultimate hope
- Why do we need reconciliation?
- Who is the hope of Jesus for?
- What way are we focusing on sharing Jesus’ hope this month?