

Session 3 Appendix

Thematic units:

Whole school focus

Points to note:

All classes in the school work on the same broad theme of God's character / nature at the same time.

This gives a whole-school focus for assemblies

All topics can be linked to Beacon Media resources, which provide a wealth of material for classroom use.
e.g. Themes for Christian Studies, Building Blocks units of study.

There are many attributes of God, and the broad themes can be broken down into related attributes, so that many more attributes of God can be covered. (e.g. "God is a shepherd" could be a *subset* of "God is Love".

Values education stems from the attribute of God, placing God first. (e.g. Kindness comes from and understanding of "God is Love")

God is Creator

Related themes: Loving Provider, Pure and Holy, Order, Designer

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	Myself/my body <i>God is a Loving Creator</i>	Matthew 10:29-30 – God sees the sparrow John 10 – The Good Shepherd Luke 15:1-7 – The lost sheep Luke 19:1-9 -Zacchaeus	Psalms 139:1 Matthew 10:30 Genesis 1:27 Psalm 23
6-7 years	Plants <i>God is Creator and Provider</i>	Genesis 1-3 -The Creation Luke 17:11-19 - The man who said ‘thank you’ Ruth 1-4 - God provided grain Matthew 6:25-34 -Do not worry about food.	Matthew 6:25 Matthew 6:28 Genesis 1:29 Philippians 4:19
7-8 years	Animals <i>God is the giver of life</i>	Genesis 1 – The Creation Genesis 6-8 - Noah’s Ark Mark 11: 1-10 - Jesus rode an untamed donkey	Genesis 1:24 Psalm 150:6 Psalm 148:9
8-9 years	Minibeasts <i>God is a wise creator</i>	Proverbs 6:6; Proverbs 30:24-25 - wisdom of the ant 1 Corinthians 3:9 - We are workers together for God Romans 12:4-6 - One body, many members	Proverbs 10:4; Proverbs 12:27; Proverbs 21:5 - Diligence
9-10 years	Earth – our special planet <i>God is a powerful Protector</i>	Psalms 91 - Angels protect us 2 Kings 6 - Elisha and God's army of angels	Psalms 4:8 - God makes us dwell in safety Isaiah 31:5 - The earth is the Lord's
10-11 years	Ecosystems – water creatures and land animals <i>God is a God of order</i>	Genesis 1: 20-21 God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures..." Psalm 148 The Creation praises God. Luke 5:1-11 - The great catch. (Shows Jesus' power over creation)	Genesis 1:24 – God said “Let the earth be filled with animals”. Psalm 150:6 – Praise the Lord, all living creatures. Psalm 148:9 – Praise Him...all animals, tame and wild, reptiles and birds.

11-12 years	Human body <i>God is a marvelous designer</i>	Genesis 1 - 3 The creation and fall. Psalm 139 We are wonderfully made. Matthew 10:29-30 God knows the number of hairs on our head. Matthew 25:14 – The parable of the talents	Acts 17:28 (a) For in Him we live and move and have our being. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 - Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. Mark 10:6 God made them male and female.
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God is Provider

Related themes: Creator, Protector, Wise, Faithful

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	Healthy Food; my body <i>God is a Wise Provider</i>	Daniel 2 & 5 - God gave wisdom to Daniel. Matthew 7:24-27 - The wise and foolish builders Matthew 6:26 -. Look at the birds. God cares for them. He will care for me.	Psalm 139:13 – Lord, you created every part of me. Phil 4:19 - God shall supply all your needs. Psalm 136:1 - Give thanks to the Lord. His love lasts forever Luke 2:52 Jesus grew in wisdom and stature
6-7 years	Shopping <i>God is a faithful provider</i>	1 Kings 17 - Elijah – oil and flour 2 Kings 4 - Elisha and the Schunamite woman Genesis 37-47 - God provided for Joseph and family during the drought	Matt 6:25 - Do not worry food or clothes Matt 6:26 - Look at the birds. Your Heavenly Father feeds them. Matt 6:26 - You are more valuable than many sparrows.
7-8 years	Food around the world <i>God is a loving provider</i>	Matthew 9:9-12 - Jesus calls the disciples. Matthew 29:19 - Go and make disciples of all nations. Acts 9 - Jesus called Saul (Paul) to go into the world and share the Good News.	Psalm 67:4 - May the nations be glad and sing for joy. (GNB) Psalm 96:10 - Say to all the nations the Lord is King! (GNB) 1 John 3:1 - See how much the Father has loved us...
8-9 years	Crops and farming <i>God provides food for our bodies and food for our spirit.</i>	Mark 6:30-44 - The loaves and the fishes John 6:47-58 - Jesus the bread of life Matthew 4:4 - Man shall not live by bread alone. (Jesus goes into the desert).	1 Peter 2:2 - As new-born babies need milk, we need God’s word as our spiritual food. Psalm 119:105 - Your word is a lamp to my feet. John 6:35 - Jesus said, “I am the bread of life.”

9-10 years	<p>Plants and seeds</p> <p><i>God provides the things we need</i></p>	<p>Genesis 1-3 - The Creation and Fall. Ruth 1-4 - God provided grain for Ruth and Naomi. Matthew 6:25-34 - Do not worry about food or clothes. Mark 4:1-8 - Parable of the sower</p>	<p>Genesis 1:29-30 “I give you every seed-bearing plant...for food” 2 Corinthians 5:17 - Therefore if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!</p>
10-11 years	<p>Kitchen chemistry; Persuasion of advertising; Healthy foods of traditional cultures</p> <p><i>God is wisdom and truth</i></p>	<p>Leviticus 11 - Health laws that God gave to the Israelites. 2 Kings 5 - Naaman was healed by obeying instructions. Matthew 7:15-21 – Wolf in sheep’s clothing.</p>	<p>Ephesians 4:1 – Live a life that measures up to the standard God set when he called you (GNB) Exodus 15:26 - If you pay attention to my commandments, I will put none of these diseases upon you. I am the Lord who heals you. 1 Corinthians 10:23 - All things are lawful but not all things are expedient.</p>
11-12 years	<p>Human body (continued) Healthy Food</p> <p><i>God is a miraculous provider</i></p>	<p>1 Kings 17:2-6 - Elijah fed by ravens 1 Kings 17:10-16 - Provision of oil for a widow . 2 Kings 4:1-7 - God uses Elisha to provide for another widow. 2 Kings 4:42-44 - Elisha multiplies bread Mark 6:30-44 – The loaves and the fishes</p>	<p>3 John 2 - I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you. Exodus 15:26 - For I am the Lord that heals you. Revelation 22:2 - healing for the nations</p>

Theme: God is Love

Related themes: Protector, Shepherd, Provider, Kind, Forgiving, Friend, Father

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	Families <i>God cares for families and provides protection</i>	Luke 15: 11-32 – The prodigal son Luke 2: 41-52 - Jesus obeyed His Heavenly Father Matthew 2 -Protection of baby Jesus Exodus 1-2 -Protection of baby Moses	2 Cor 6:8 1 John 3:1 Ephesians 6:1 Joshua 24:15
6-7 years	Cultural studies <i>Jesus is a friend to all the children of the world</i>	Mark 10:13-16 -Jesus, friend of children John 1:43 – Jesus knows our names Luke 10:25-38 - The good Samaritan; Love your neighbour	Joshua 1:5 Hebrews 13:5 John 15:12-14 Luke 10:27
7-8 years	Communication/ disabled <i>Communication with God; communication with others</i>	Luke 10:38 - Mary and Martha 1 Kings 19 – The still small voice 1 Samuel 3 – The boy Samuel listened to God.	Ps. 85:8 John 10:14-15 Mark 4:9
8-9 years	My country <i>God is a loving provider</i>	Romans 3:19-26; Acts 10: 34-35 -Salvation for the nations. Acts 16:6-10 - Taking the gospel to the nations John 3:16 - For God so loved the world John 15:13 - The greatest love	1 John 4:16 – God is love. Psalm 136 – Give thanks to the Lord, His love endures forever. Psalm 33:12 – Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.
9-10 years	Farming <i>God is a faithful and caring provider</i>	Genesis 1:30; 2:5;3:23 - instruction to cultivate the soil. Matthew 13:31 - The mustard seed. Matthew 26 - Do not worry. Exodus 15:22-27; Exodus 17 - God provided for the Israelites. Job 36:26-31 – God is faithful in providing through the creation.	Psalm 104:14 - God provides grass for the cattle and vegetables for man. Psalm 119:86a - God's words can be trusted.

		Genesis 6-8 – God provided for Noah and the animals. Noah farmed some of the animals after leaving the ark. (8 of some animals)	Psalm 56:3 - I put my trust in you. Psalm 20:7 We trust in the power of the Lord our God.
10-11 years	Forests <i>God provides through His creation</i>	Matthew 25: 14-30 - The talents –responsibility with God’s provision. Genesis 37-46 - God gave Joseph wisdom and he was able to provide food for his family. Psalm 92:12 - Trees of the Bible. Genesis 2: 8-9 - Trees in the Garden of Eden.	Psalm 104:10-18 - God provides for His creation. Psalm 147:7-9 - God gives food to every living creature. Psalm 50:10 - He owns the cattle on a thousand hills. Genesis 1:11 - The land produced vegetation.
11-12 years	Cultural studies <i>God loves all people and wants us to share with those in need</i>	John 6:1-14 - The boy who shared his lunch with Jesus. Matthew 25:35-40 - I was hungry and you gave me food.... Mark 12:41-44 – The widow's gift. Luke 7:36-50 - The woman with the jar of perfume.	Matthew 10:8 . 2 Corinthians 9:7-9 2 Corinthians 8:7 - Mark 16:15-18 - 1 John 4:16 - Luke Luke 4:8 Luke 6:38 - Give and it shall be given.

God is Wisdom and Truth

Related themes: Creator, Powerful, Just, Teacher

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	<p>Laws and Customs; Safety</p> <p><i>It is wise to obey God</i></p>	<p>Mark 12:30-31 – The greatest commandment Exodus 20 – The ten commandments Jonah – The consequences of disobedience. Colossians 3:20 – Children obey your parents. 1 Peter 1:14 – Be obedient to God Deut 11:22 – Obey faithfully all the laws I have given you.</p>	<p>1 Cor 3:9 – We are workers together for God. Romans 12:4-8 – One body, many members. Proverbs 3:5-7 – Trust in the Lord with all your heart...obey the Lord and refuse to do wrong (GNB) Colossians 3:20 – Children obey your parents. 1 Peter 1:14 – Be obedient to God</p>
6-7 years	<p>Fact or fantasy; real or substitute; the senses</p> <p><i>The only true God</i></p>	<p>Matthew 7:13-14 - The broad and narrow way. Matthew 16:13-17 - Jesus asks, "Who am I?" John 10:1-8 - The Good Shepherd. The sheep recognise His voice. Matthew 7:15-21 - Wolves in sheep's clothing. Acts 17:16-34 - The unknown god. 1 Kings 18 – God of Israel, God of Baal?</p>	<p>John 14:6 - Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Acts 4:12 - There is no other name by which we are saved. Exodus 20:3-4; Isaiah 42:8 & 17 - No other gods.</p>
7-8 years	<p>Change – past and present; Growth & change; Changes in technology</p> <p><i>Growing in wisdom.</i></p>	<p>Galatians 5:19-24 Fruits of the Spirit we change to become more like Jesus. Job - Job grew in His faith through difficulties in life. John 2:1-12 Jesus changed water to wine. Acts 9:1-23 Saul changed to Paul</p>	<p>Luke 2:40 - Jesus grew in stature and in wisdom. Malachi 3:6 – “I the Lord do not change.” 1 Peter 2:2 - As new-born babies need milk, we need God's word as our spiritual food.</p>

8-9 years	Understanding Aboriginal culture <i>Cross-cultural communication</i>	Luke 10:25-38- The Good Samaritan Luke 10:27; Matthew 22:39 - Love the Lord with all your heart...and your neighbour as yourself. Acts 10:34 - God treats everyone on the same basis. James 2:1-9 - Warning against prejudice.	John 3:16 – For God so loved the world Ephesians 4:32 - forgive one another. 1 John 3:11-18 - Love one another in word and deed. 1 Corinthians 13:14 - Love is patient and kind. John 13:34 - A new commandment.
9-10 years	Creation/ evolution Dinosaurs <i>God's word is truth</i>	Genesis 1 - God created living things after their own kind. John 14:6 - Jesus is the Way, the Truth, the Life. Mark 4:1-8 - The sower - shows need for a solid foundation. Luke 24:13-35 - The two on the road to Emmaus failed to recognize the truth because of unbelief.	Proverbs 30:5-6 - The word of God is truth. Psalm 119:105 - God's word is a lamp to our feet. Ephesians 6:17 - God's word is a sword. John 5:46-47 - "If you do not believe what Moses wrote, (Genesis), how can you believe what I say?"
10-11 years	Balance, gravity, pendulums, scientific method <i>Jesus, the way, the truth and the life</i>	Matthew 7:15-21 - Wolves in sheep's clothing. John 10:1-8 - The Good Shepherd. The sheep hear His voice. Matthew 7:13-14 - The broad and narrow way. Exodus 20:3-4; Isaiah 42:8 & 17 - No other gods. 2 Peter 2 - False teachers. 2 Corinthians 11:13-14 - False apostles, and Satan as an angel of light.	Proverbs 11:1 - The Lord hates dishonest scales, but He is pleased with correct weights. John 18:38 - Everyone that is of the truth hears my voice. John 14:6-7 - I am the way, the truth and the life. 1 Peter 5:8 - Satan is a roaring lion.
11-12 years	Natural disasters; Discovering truth through archeology <i>Seek the truth and wisdom; Prepare for the future</i>	Great Flood - the greatest natural disaster so far in history. James 1:5 - Ask God for wisdom. Matthew 25:1-13 - The ten girls and their lamps. Matthew 7:24-28 - The wise and foolish builders. Luke 11:9-10 - Ask, seek, knock. Seek for the truth. .Matthew 13:44-45 - The pearl of great price.	John 1:17 - Truth came through Jesus Christ. John 16:13 - When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all truth. Matthew 6:33 - Seek first God's kingdom Matthew 7:24 - Build your life on truth.

God is Pure and Holy

Related themes: Wise, Powerful, Creator, Just, Judge, Light

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	<p>Hygiene; Cleaning in the home</p> <p><i>God can forgive me and make me clean</i></p>	<p>Matthew 23:13-27 - Jesus said that we must be clean on the inside, not just the outside.</p> <p>Mark 7:1-16 - The ceremonial cleansing by the Pharisees did not really make them clean.</p> <p>Luke 19:1-19 - Zacchaeus was forgiven and he changed his ways.</p> <p>John 21:15 - Jesus forgives Peter.</p> <p>1 Peter 1 & 1 John 3 - We are made pure through Jesus.</p>	<p>Psalm 51:7 - Take away my sin and I will be clean.</p> <p>Matt. 6:9 – Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.</p> <p>Psalm 51: 10 – Create in me a clean heart O God.</p>
6-7 years	<p>Relationships; fruit of the Spirit; Community responsibility</p> <p><i>Walk in the light</i></p>	<p>Mark 12:30-31 - Love your neighbour as yourself.</p> <p>Acts 3 - The lame man healed and leapt for joy.</p> <p>Matthew 6:26 - Do not worry. (Have peace)</p> <p>The Good Samaritan showed kindness.</p> <p>Ephesians 5:8-11 - Show goodness, by living as children of the light</p>	<p>Galatians 5:22-23 - The fruits of the Spirit</p> <p>Mark 12:30-31 - Love your neighbour as yourself.</p> <p>1 John 1:7 Walk in the light as He is in the light.</p> <p>1 Cor 3:4 – Love is patient and kind</p>
7-8 years	<p>Light and colour</p> <p><i>God is light</i></p>	<p>Genesis 1 - God's light</p> <p>Galatians 5:22 - Goodness is a fruit of the Spirit.</p> <p>Matthew 5:13-16 - Christians as salt and light.</p> <p>John 8:12 - Jesus, the light of the world.</p> <p>Matthew 6:22-23 - If your eye is clear your whole body will be full of light.</p> <p>Genesis 9 - The sign of the rainbow</p>	<p>Ephesians 5:8-11 - Live as children of the light.</p> <p>Deuteronomy 6:18 - Do that which is right and good.</p> <p>Romans 13:12 - Put on the armour of light.</p> <p>1 John 2:28-29 - Everyone who does what is right is of God.</p> <p>1 John 1:5-7 - Walk in the light as He is in the light.</p>

8-9 years	Water <i>God is pure because He is without sin</i>	Genesis 6-8: The world was purified by a flood. Psalm 51:1-7 - Wash me and I shall be whiter than snow. 1 Peter 1:19; Hebrews 9:14 - Jesus was without sin. Matthew 9:1-7 - Jesus healed and forgave sin. John 18 - 19 - Because Jesus was without sin He was able to die for us.	1 John 1:9 Confess our sin & God will forgive Psalm 145:17 - The Lord is righteous in everything He does. Isaiah 43:25 - God forgives our sins. Isaiah 1:18 - I will wash you as clean as the snow.
9-10 years	Geology (salt, crystals, gem stones) <i>You are the salt of the earth</i>	Job 6:6 - Salt for preserving food. Ezekiel 16:4 - Salt as an antiseptic. Luke 14:34-35; Mark 9:49-50 - Salt Exodus 25 - Materials for building the Ark: Metals included pure gold; gemstones; only the best for the most holy God. Hebrews 9 & 10 - Revelation 21 & 22 - The purity of Heaven: city of pure gold, gates of pearls, foundations of precious jewels.	Matthew 5:13 - You are the salt of the earth. Phil 4:8 - Whatever is true, noble, right and pure - think about such things. John 5:15 You are my friends if you do what I command you. Psalm 23:6 – Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
10-11 years	Pollution and waste management <i>What happened to God's perfect creation?</i>	Genesis 1-2 - the perfect creation Genesis 2:15 God's caretakers. Genesis 2 - the fall Romans 5:12 – Sin came into the world through Adam Genesis 4 - The sin of Cain 1 Peter 1:19; Hebrews 9:14 - Jesus was without sin. 1 John 1:9 - Jesus made a way to God. Romans 8:19-22 The creation groans, waiting to be freed	Psalm 18:30 - God's way is perfect. Isaiah 1:18 – Though your sins be as scarlet they will be as white as snow. Isaiah 43:25 – I will blot out your sins and remember them no more. Romans 3:23 – For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
11-12 years	Landforms; The Great Flood (continued) <i>God is a just and fair judge</i>	Genesis 6-8 - The Great Flood Jeremiah 18 - Jeremiah at the potter's house. Matthew 21:12-13 - Jesus didn't tolerate sin in His Father's house. 1 Chronicles Psalm 97 – The creation proclaims His righteousness.	Psalm 7:11 – God is a righteous judge Acts 17:31 – For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice 1 Chron. 16:33 -The trees of the forests will sing for joy because He comes to judge the earth.

God is a Powerful Protector

Related themes: Lord and King, Creator, Healer

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	Weather and Seasons <i>God is Lord and King of all creation</i>	Genesis 6-8 – Noah and his family survived the flood. Genesis 37-47 – Joseph’s family survived the drought. Mark 4 – Jesus calmed the storm. Mark 4 – Jesus walked on water. Acts 27 – God protected Paul in the storm.	Isaiah 43:5 – Fear not for I am with you. Job 36:22 – God does great things by His power. Psalm 121:7 The Lord will keep you from all harm. He will watch over your life.
6-7 years	How animals protect themselves; endangered species <i>God protects us from harm and evil</i>	Psalm 91 - Angels protect us Psalm 23 - The Lord is my Shepherd Ephesians 6:10-18 - The armour of God 2 Kings 6 - Elisha and God's army of angels Daniel 3 - Three men in the fiery furnace.	Psalm 27 - The Lord is my light, wom shall I fear? Isaiah 41:10 - Fear no for I am with you. Isaiah 43:10 - You will walk through the fire and not be burned. Psalm 4:8 - God makes us dwell in safety
7-8 years	Buildings, structures for strength; armour of God <i>God is our shelter</i>	Psalm 27:4-14 - Shelter in the house of the Lord. Psalm 4:8 - God will keep us safe. Esther 1-10 - God used Esther to protect His people. Ephesians 6:10-18 - The armour of God James 4:7 - Resist the devil Proverbs 18:10; Jeremiah 16:19; Psalm 46:1	Psalm 56:3 - Trust in God when you are afraid. Psalm 17:8; Psalm 32:5 - God is a shelter for us. Psalm 18:2; Psalm 61:13 - God is a strong tower; Proverbs 30:5 - God is our shield Psalm 18:30-36; Psalm 61:3 - God is our protector.

8-9 years	Air and wind; electricity <i>God provides for us through the powerful forces of His creation</i>	Mark 4:3 – Jesus has power over the wind. Acts 2 – The disciples receive the Holy Spirit – wind representing power. Exodus – God sustained the Israelites in the wilderness. God sustains us every day through air.	Psalms 63:2; 66:3; 89:13; 146:6; 145:5 - God is powerful Matthew 6:25-34 – Life is more important than food. Matthew 4:4 – Man shall not live by bread alone.
9-10 years	Earth in space <i>We are God's special creation</i>	Psalms 91 - Angels protect us 2 Kings 6 - Elisha and God's army of angels Acts 12:1-9 - An angel saves Peter Psalm 4:8 - God makes us dwell in safety Isaiah 31:5 - The Lord protects Jerusalem.	Isaiah 41:10 7 43:1-2 - Fear not Proverbs 3:5-6 - Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Isaiah 54:10 - Though the mountains be shaken... yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken.
10-11 years	Ships and sea voyages <i>God is our guide</i>	Acts 27 & 28 - God protected Paul during the shipwreck. Luke 8:24 - Jesus protected the disciples during the storm. 2 Kings 4:38-41 - Protection from effects of a poisonous plant. Matthew 7:24-27 - The house on the rock. Exodus 13:21-22 God guided the Israelites by fire and cloud.	Psalms 27:1-14 - The Lord is my light...I will not be afraid. Isaiah 43:1-2 - Fear not. Psalm 32:7; Psalm 27:5 – Protection in times of trouble. When you are afraid, trust in the Lord. John 8:12 - Jesus, the light of the world.
11-12 years	Government <i>God is Lord and King</i>	Genesis 11:1-9 - Tower of Babel – disobedience to God's authority Exodus 20 - Ten Commandments Esther - God's hand in ruling a nation. Exodus - God's rule won over Pharaoh's rule. Matthew 2 - Jesus was born as King John 12:12-19 - Triumphal entry. John 18:28-38 - Jesus on trial for being King. Acts 1:6-10 - Jesus will return as King.	Psalms 19:7-8 - The law of the Lord is perfect; the statutes of the Lord are trustworthy. Psalm 47 - God is King of all the earth. Isaiah 9:6-7 - He will govern and reign. Romans 13:1-7 - Pray for those in authority. Psalm 66:11-9 - God rules the nations.

God is a Servant

Related themes: Humble, Faithful, Healer

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	Special communities – aged & disabled <i>God is patient and kind</i>	2 Sam 4 & 9 – The little lame prince, Mephobosheth Matt 9; Mark 3:1-6; Matt 12:10 ; Luke 18:35-43 – Jesus showed kindness through healing disabled people.	1 Peter 5:7 He cares for you 1 Cor 13:14 Love is patient and kind 1 Thess – Help the weak
6-7 years	Community helpers <i>Jesus, the willing and helpful servant</i>	Matt 5:41-42 - The extra mile John 15:13 - Laying down one's life for his friends. Matthew 8:14-17 - Jesus healed Peter's mother. Luke 18:10-28 - Jesus healed a crippled woman. Luke 10:30-37 - The Good Samaritan	Ephesians 6:7 - Serve wholeheartedly. Galatians 6:2 - Carry one another's burdens. Isaiah 1:19 – willing and obedient Phil 2:14 Do things without grumbling or complaining
7-8 years	Community helpers – medical profession <i>Jesus, the healing servant</i>	The healing miracles of Jesus: John 9:1-34 John 5:1-18 Luke 8:43-48 Luke 5:18-25 Luke 6:6-10 Mark 10:46-52 Luke 4:18 - He has chosen me to bring good news to the poor and recovery of sight to the blind... Matthew 9:35-36 - Jesus healed people with every kind of disease.	Matthew 4:23 – Jesus healed all kinds of diseases Luke 6:17-18 - They had come to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases. Matthew 14:14 - He was filled with pity for them and healed those who were ill.
8-9 years	Serving with time and talents: occupations	Matthew 25:14-29 - The talents Luke 12:35-47 - Be faithful in doing what Jesus wants us to do.	Luke 6:10 - Be faithful in little things Matthew 5:15 - Don't hide your light under a bushel.

	<i>Serve the Lord with humility</i>	Acts 8:1-4 - The disciples continued to be faithful in the face of danger. Acts 1-2 - The disciples received power to work for Jesus. 1 Corinthians 12 - Spiritual gifts Luke 14:7-11 - Don't make yourself important.	Mark 10:4 – If you want to be great in God's kingdom then you must be a servant of all
9-10 years	Communication - How it can serve the world in bringing the Gospel <i>Jesus, the willing and humble servant</i>	1 Peter 4:8-11 – Each one should use whatever gift he has to serve others. John 13:4-5 – Jesus washed the disciple's feet. Luke 12:35-47 - Faithfulness in serving Jesus.	Luke 16:10 - Be faithful in little things. Matthew 5:14 - Christians are lights to the world. Matthew 16:24 - Take up your cross.
10-11 years	How technology serves us – transport, machines <i>God is a powerful servant</i>	Acts 1:8; Acts 2 - The disciples receive power. Acts 3 - Peter and John demonstrate power. Acts 13:4-12 - Barnabas and Paul demonstrate power. Luke 4:18; 7:22 - Jesus came to bring the Good News Romans 10:14; 1 Corinthians 12 - The gifts of the Holy Spirit	Matthew 28:18-20 -Go and make disciples of all nations..." Mark 16:14-20 - "Go into all the world..." Ephesians 6:15 - Feet to spread the Good News
11-12 years	Christian scientists <i>Standing up for the truth</i>	Matthew 25:14-29 - The talents John 10 – The Good Shepherd – hearing the voice of God. Romans 1:20 – God's invisible qualities clearly seen through the creation	John 16:13 – The Holy Spirit guides us into all truth. John 14:15-21 – The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of truth. John 18:37 – Everyone of the truth hears my voice

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Related themes: Saviour, Life, Peace, Forgiving, Gracious, Merciful

AGE GROUP	TOPIC & SUBTHEME	KEY BIBLE PASSAGES	MEMORY VERSES
5-6 years	Living and non-living <i>God is life</i>	John 15 - The Vine John 3 - Nicodemus John 6:47-58 - Jesus, the bread of life. John 4 - Jesus, the living water John 1:2 & 14 - Jesus is the Word John 5:24-25; John 6:53-54 – Eternal life	Matthew 4:4 - Man shall not live by bread alone. 1 Peter 2:2 - God's word as our spiritual food. John 15 - The Vine
6-7 years	Life cycles <i>God gives new life</i>	Genesis 2:7 - God gave life to man. Matthew 9:9-12; Mark 2:13-17; Luke 5:27-32; John 1:43-50 - Jesus called the disciples to a new life. John 5:24-25; John 6:53-54 - Eternal life. John 11:25 - Jesus, the resurrection and the life.	Psalms 150 - Praise the Lord, all living creatures. Acts 17:28 - In Him we live and move. John 11:25 - Jesus, the resurrection and the life.
7-8 years	Cultural studies <i>God cares for the poor</i>	Mark 16:15-18 - The Great Commission Isaiah 58:7-11 - Share your food with the hungry. John 6:1-14 - The boy who shared his lunch with Jesus. Matthew 25:35-40 - I was hungry and you gave me food. 2 Corinthians 9:7-9 - God loves a person who gives happily. 2 Corinthians 8:7 - Generosity	Proverbs 22:9 - Be generous and share your food with the poor. Luke 6:38 - Give and it shall be given. Matthew 10:8 - Freely you have received, freely give. 1 John 4:16 - God is love. Luke 4:8 - Jesus came to bring good news to the poor.
8-9 years	Transport – used to spread the gospel	Acts 1:8; Acts 2 - The disciples receive power. Acts 3 - Peter and John demonstrate power. Acts 13:4-12 - Barnabas and Paul demonstrate power. Luke 4:18; 7:22 - Jesus came to bring the Good News	Ephesians 6:15 - Feet to spread the Good News Matthew 28:18-20 - Go and make disciples of all nations..."

	<i>Spreading the Good News</i>	Romans 10:14; 1 Corinthians 12 - The gifts of the Holy Spirit	Mark 16:14-20 - "Go into all the world..."
9-10 years	Sound – radio and TV <i>God is a communicator</i>	. 1 Kings 19 – The still small voice 1 Samuel 3 - The boy Samuel hears God's voice. Genesis 2-5 - God spoke face to face with Adam and Eve. Genesis 37-40, Daniel 2 - God speaks through dreams. Numbers 22 - God spoke through Balaam's donkey. Exodus 19:20 – 10 Commandments: God spoke to Moses	Psalms 85:8 - I am listening to what the Lord God is saying. John 10:14-15 - The sheep know the shepherd's voice. Mark 4:19 – He who has ears, let him hear.
10-11 years	The Great Commission; World exploration <i>God is Saviour</i>	Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:14-20 - The Great Commission Romans 1:20 - God's invisible qualities - His eternal power and divine nature - have been clearly seen. Ecclesiastes 3:11 - He has set eternity in the hearts of men. Acts 13 & 14 - Paul and Barnabas spread the Good News Acts 16 - Timothy, Paul and Silas Acts 17 - Paul in Athens - 'to the Unknown God' Acts 19 - Paul in Ephesus	Romans 10:14; Ephesians 6:15 - Feet to spread the Good News John 14:6-7 - Jesus, the Way, the Truth, the Life 1 Corinthians 7:23 - We were bought with a price Romans 5:10 - We were God's enemies, but made His friends through His death. John 3:16 - For God so loved the world...
11-12 years	World peace World Wars 1 & 2 <i>God is Lord and King</i>	Romans 3:23; 5:8; 6:23 - When people sin they are separated from God. Sin forms a barrier between people and God. Matthew 5:21-23 - Make peace with your brother. Mark 9:50; 1 Thessalonians 5:13 - Peace with one another. Psalm 2; Ephesians 2:22; Romans 10:12-21 - Peace for nations. Romans 12:18-21 - Don't take revenge. Matthew 5:38-42 - Don't fight back. Luke 10:25-37 - The Good Samaritan Matthew 26:50-56; Luke 23:34 - Jesus set the example	Colossians 1:20 - Christ's death on the cross broke the barrier. Ephesians 2:14 - He is our peace. He has broken down the wall. Romans 5:1; 1 John 1:9 - If we ask Jesus to forgive us, and we have faith in God, we can have peace with God. Matthew 5:9 - Blessed are the peace-makers Romans 12:17 - Don't repay evil for evil. Matthew 5:38-42 - Love your enemies.

