ONE PRIORITY

LOVE GOD

“... with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” Matthew 22:37-38

THREE RELATIONAL MOTIVES

Move kids to LOVE GOD by inciting WONDER
Move kids to LOVE LIFE by provoking DISCOVERY
Move kids to LOVE OTHERS by fueling PASSION

NINE CORE INSIGHTS

DESIGN: What I see around me reveals a Creator I cannot see.

IMAGE: I am created in the image of my perfect, heavenly Father who has an unending love for me.

CONNECTION: I live in pursuit of an infinite God who desires an eternal relationship with me.

FAITH: I believe in Jesus and will continually trust Him even when life doesn’t make sense.

TRANSFORMATION: God’s Spirit is transforming my unique and imperfect life into the character of Jesus.

TRUTH: My response to God’s Word shapes how I see God’s story of redemption at work in me and around me.

RESTORATION: God designed me to participate with Him in restoring a broken world.

COMPASSION: My faith in Christ is revealed by my compassion and care for others.

COMMUNITY: I choose to live in the complexities of family and community because God values them.
2019/2020 SERIES OVERVIEW

FALL 2019

AUGUST
- Treasure Hunt

SEPTEMBER
- Count with me

OCTOBER
- Super Kids

WINTER 2019

NOVEMBER
- Bubble Factory

DECEMBER
- Starry Night

JANUARY
- Beach Party

SPRING 2020

FEBRUARY
- All Aboard

MARCH
- Follow the Leader

APRIL
- Bloom

SUMMER 2020

MAY
- Lemonade Stand

JUNE & JULY
- Theme Coming Soon!

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SERIES DESCRIPTION:
The BIBLE is better than gold! The teachings in the Bible are worth more to us—are more valuable in this life—than THOUSANDS of pieces of gold and silver. At the end of the day, learning how God, our Creator, wants us to live is worth way more than anything money can buy.

CORE INSIGHT: IMAGE

**WEEK ONE:** The Bible Is Better Than Gold* — Psalm 119:72; Jeremiah 31:3;

**WEEK TWO:** God Loves Us So Much — John 3:16

**WEEK THREE:** House on a Rock — Matthew 7:24-27;

**WEEK FOUR:** Bigger Barns — Acts 2:45; Luke 12:16-21

BOTTOM LINE: THE BIBLE IS BETTER THAN GOLD.

“Your teachings are worth more to me than thousands of pieces of gold and silver.” Psalm 119:72, NCV

SERIES DESCRIPTION:
Believing God made everything is so much bigger than just explaining where things come from. It is a worldview that ultimately shapes how we value the world around us and, most importantly, the people around us. Being able to see our world—including every person in it—as God’s goodness, gives everything purpose and worth.

CORE INSIGHT: DESIGN

**WEEK ONE:** Light and Dark; Sky and Water * — Genesis 1:3-8

**WEEK TWO:** Land, Plants, and Sea * — Genesis 1:9-13

**WEEK THREE:** Sun, Moon, and Stars * — Genesis 1:14-19

**WEEK FOUR:** Birds, Fish, and Animals * — Genesis 1:20-25

**WEEK FIVE:** People; God Rested * — Genesis 1:26–2:25

BOTTOM LINE: GOD MADE EVERYTHING.

“God saw everything he had made. And it was very good.” Genesis 1:31,NIrV

SERIES DESCRIPTION:
Bravery can be anything from walking through the doors of a dentist office to defending the helpless from attack. What is it that makes people step up to the plate of bravery? For Daniel, Gideon, Miriam, and Hezekiah, bravery came from knowing that God was with them. The same can be true for us. God can help us be brave.

CORE INSIGHT: TRANSFORMATION

**WEEK ONE:** Daniel and the Lions * — Daniel 6:1-23

**WEEK TWO:** Gideon at Battle — Judges 7:9-22

**WEEK THREE:** Miriam — Exodus 1:22–2:10

**WEEK FOUR:** Hezekiah — 2 Chronicles 32: 1-23

BOTTOM LINE: GOD CAN HELP ME BE BRAVE.

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid . . . for the LORD your God goes with you.” Deuteronomy 31:6, NIV

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SERIES DESCRIPTION:
When we take time to think about all the things we have—family, friends, food—it helps us forget about the things we don’t have. It enables us to live our days with thankfulness instead of discontentment. We want to show our thankfulness by telling God “thank You” for everything.

CORE INSIGHT:
“I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.” Psalm 111:1, ESV

WEEK ONE: Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz * — Ruth 1-2
WEEK TWO: David and Jonathan — 1 Samuel 18:1-4
WEEK THREE: Manna — Exodus 16

BOTTOM LINE: I CAN THANK GOD FOR EVERYTHING.

SERIES DESCRIPTION:
Before there was Christmas, there was God coming to earth as a baby. Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, the wise men—none of them truly knew the fullness of the gift that baby would become to the world. When God gave us Jesus, He gave us the ultimate expression of His love for us. That beautiful gift is what we are celebrating.

CORE INSIGHT:
“God has given a son to us.” Isaiah 9:6, NCV

WEEK ONE: The Angel and Mary — Luke 1:26-33, 38, 46-49
WEEK TWO: Jesus Is Born * — Luke 2:1-7
WEEK THREE: The Shepherds — Luke 2:8-20
WEEK FOUR: Happy Birthday Jesus! — Retell the Entire Christmas Story

BOTTOM LINE: GOD GAVE US JESUS.

SERIES DESCRIPTION:
There will be countless times in our lifetime when we will think to ourselves, “I can’t do that.” What if our thought didn’t stop there? What if it became, “I can’t do that, but Jesus can!” Believing that Jesus can do anything will change the way we see what happens in our lives and the world we live in.

CORE INSIGHT:
“With God all things are possible.” Matthew 19:26, NIV

WEEK ONE: Water to Wine — John 2:1-11
WEEK TWO: Catching Fish * — Luke 5:1-7
WEEK THREE: Feeding 5,000 — Mark 6:31-44
WEEK FOUR: Walking on Water — Matthew 14:22-33

BOTTOM LINE: JESUS CAN DO ANYTHING.

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### FEBRUARY

**SERIES DESCRIPTION:**
Jesus loves everyone. He loves social outcasts, robbers, sinners, people who have a little, people who have a lot. Jesus loves everyone. Now He looks to you and me and says, “Love each other as I have loved you.”

**CORE INSIGHT:**
**TRUTH**

| WEEK ONE: Woman at the Well — John 4:1-30
| WEEK THREE: The Unloved Woman — John 8:2-11
| WEEK FOUR: Love Others — John 15:12

**BOTTOM LINE:** **JESUS LOVES EVERYONE.**
“Love each other as I have loved you.” John 15:12, NIV

### MARCH

**SERIES DESCRIPTION:**
Who can follow Jesus? The same “everyone” that Jesus loves. Which means everyone can follow Jesus. I can follow Jesus. You can follow Jesus. The person on the other side of the world that is nothing like you can follow Jesus. Even crooked tax collectors and uneducated fishermen can follow Jesus. The invitation is for everyone!

**CORE INSIGHT:**
**CONNECTION**

| WEEK ONE: John the Baptist — Matthew 3:3-4, 11, 13-15
| WEEK TWO: Andrew and Peter; John and James — Matthew 4:18-22
| WEEK THREE: Matthew (Tax Collector) — Matthew 9:9-10
| WEEK FOUR: The Twelve * — The Gospels
| WEEK FIVE: Love One Another — John 13:34-35

**BOTTOM LINE:** **I CAN FOLLOW JESUS.**
“‘Come and follow me,’ Jesus said.” Matthew 4:19, NIrV

### APRIL

**SERIES DESCRIPTION:**
There is so much power in the words, “Jesus is alive.” Those words mean that Jesus conquered sin and death, that Jesus really is with us, that Jesus gives us the power to love like He loves, and that Jesus hears us when we pray. “Jesus is alive” is our hope and the foundation of our faith.

**CORE INSIGHT:**
**RESTORATION**

| WEEK ONE: Palm Sunday — Matthew 21:1-11, 15-16
| WEEK THREE: Breakfast on the Beach — John 21:1-14
| WEEK FOUR: Great Commission — Matthew 28:19-20

**BOTTOM LINE:** **JESUS IS ALIVE.**
“I am alive for ever and ever!” Revelation 1:18, NIV

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SERIES DESCRIPTION:
God loves you, and nothing will ever make Him stop. He loves you not because of what you do or don’t do. He loves you because He made you. You are His creation. And that is why He sent His Son, Jesus, into the world.

CORE INSIGHT:
CONNECTION

WEEK ONE: God Made Me — Genesis 1:26; Psalm 139:14
WEEK TWO: The Lost Coin — Luke 15:18-10
WEEK FOUR: Esther — Esther 2:2–8:17
WEEK FIVE: God Gave His Only Son — John 3:16

BOTTOM LINE: GOD LOVES ME.
“Nothing at all can ever separate us from God’s love.” Romans 8:39, NIV

SUMMER SERIES COMING SOON!

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