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# ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

## Lesson Components

**Think About It Question** - main focus, or objective, of the lesson. Designed to be personal and open ended, these questions help children apply what was presented to their lives.

**Introduction** - captures the children's attention and engages prior knowledge.

**Message** - main part of the lesson led by one teacher with the whole class.

**Dig Deeper** - takes the message to a deeper level with one leader per 5-8 children. Reviews the main focus, assesses children's understanding, and helps with life application.

**Materials** - basics for successful lessons. Use your creativity to add enhancements.

**Preparation** - essential "to do" list before the children arrive.

**CBAs** - preparation for presenting the Gospel message.

**Craft Prep** - additional preparation of craft materials, which may involve additional time to accomplish. See the Member Toolbox for thoughts on developing a Craft Team who could assist with this preparation.

**Ideas** - tips shared from our classes to yours!

**Extra time** - ideas to enhance and enrich the lesson if time permits.

## Use

Bible2School grants permission to its Members to tailor Bible2School curriculum to fit their unique format preferences and physical environments. If you wish to edit the content substantively, including Bible stories, activities, experiments, scripts, and other content in which Biblical principles and concepts are presented, you are obligated to do so within the guidelines we have expressed in our Statement of Faith.

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# STATEMENT OF FAITH

## We believe in...

**Scripture** - God has definitively revealed Himself by His Word (Old and New Testaments), through the Holy Spirit, in various times, cultures, and genres, all for the glory of God and the salvation of humanity. By the testimony of the Holy Spirit, we therefore believe that the Holy Scriptures are authoritative and inerrant truth, and that a proper interpretation of Scripture is Scripture itself. (*2 Peter 1:21, Hebrews 1:1-2, Romans 10-11, 1 John 4:1, 2 Timothy 3:16*)

**One true God existing eternally as three persons** –The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. (*Luke 3:22, Matt 28:19, and II Cor 13:14*)

**The Lord Jesus Christ** - His pre-existence and deity; incarnation by virgin birth; sinless life; substitutionary death; sin-pardoning value; bodily resurrection from the tomb; ascension into Heaven and present ministry; personal, visible, and imminent return and resurrection of both the just and unjust. (*John 1:1-3, John 1:14 & Matt 28:18-23, Hebrews 4:15, II Cor 5:21, Luke 24: 36-43, Heb 4:14-16, Acts 1:11, John 5:28-29 & I Thes 4: 13-18*)

**The Holy Spirit** – His personality and deity; his work in each believer: baptism & indwelling at the moment of regeneration and filling to empower for Christian life and service. (*John 16:7-15, Acts 5:3-4, I Cor 12:13, Rom 8:9, Eph 5:18, Eph 3:16-19, Acts 1:8, & Gal 5:22-23*)

**The creation and fall of man** – His direct creation in the image of God, subsequent fall into sin resulting in spiritual death and the necessity of the new birth for salvation. (*Gen 1:26-28 & Eccl 7:29, Gen 3:1-24 & Rom 5:12, John 3:3-5*)

**Salvation** – Received as the gift of God through personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and His finished work. (*Eph 2:8-9, Titus 3:5-7, & I Peter 1:18-19*)

**The existence and final judgment of Satan** – His existence and personality as the great adversary of God and His people his judgment and final doom. (*Rev 12:1-10, John 12:31, Rev 20:10*)

**The Church of Jesus Christ** – One true church composed of all true believers. (*Eph 1:22-23 & 5:25-32, I Cor 12:12-13*)

**The Christian life** – (*Rom 12:1-2*)

This Statement of Faith does not exhaust the extent of our beliefs. The Bible itself, as the inspired and infallible Word of God, speaks with final authority concerning truth, morality, and the proper conduct of mankind and is the sole and final source of all that we believe.

\* All Scripture references used in the Statement of Faith come from the NASB.

# FOUNDATIONS

## Key Verses

### **Romans 3:23-25a**

*For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.*

### **Jeremiah 29:11**

*I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.*

### **2 Timothy 3:16-17**

*All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.*

## Objectives

- Teach the children that the Bible is the inspired word of God and can be believed.
- Present and connect Old Testament teachings to the children's everyday lives.
- Present the Old Testament as an example for a relationship with God.
- Teach children that, apart from God, we are lost.
- Tell the children that God loves and cares for them.
- Lead children to place or affirm their faith in Jesus.