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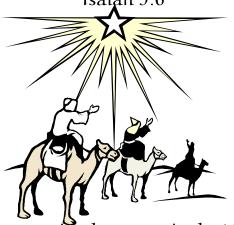


"and he looked at Jesus as He walked, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!"" John 1:36

Looking At Jesus

In the Old Testament, Isaiah told about the coming of Jesus hundreds of years before Jesus was born in that stable in Bethlehem...

"For a child will be born to us,
a son will be given to us;
And the government will rest on His shoulders;
And His name will be called
Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God,
Eternal Father,
Prince of Peace."
Isaiah 9:6



Let's memorize the verses in the New Testament that tell how God's promises in Isaiah come true at the First Christmas and how to follow Him in victory as the Eternal King...

CROSSWALK PASSAGES

LOOKING AT JESUS

Grades 2 & 3 2nd Quarter



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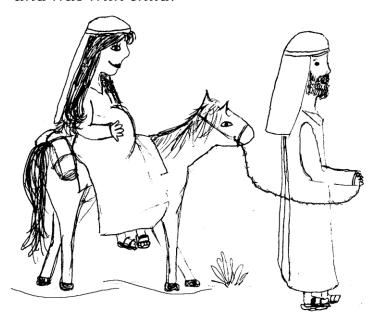
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Christmas-Jesus' Birth

Luke 2: 4-11

_____ 4 Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David,

____ 5 in order to register along with Mary, who was engaged to him, and was with child.



Christmas-Jesus' Birth

Luke 2: 4-11

____ 6 While they were there, the days were completed for her to give birth.

_ 7 And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

_____ **8** In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night.



Christmas-Jesus' Birth

<u>Luke 2: 4-11</u>

9 And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened.
10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people;
11 for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.



Passage One, Assignment 3

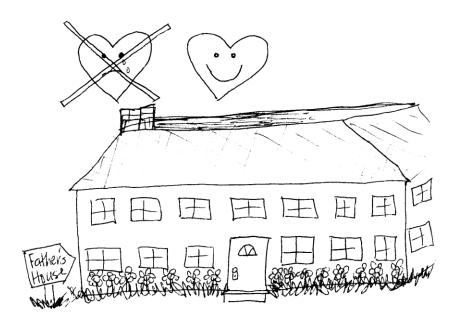
Jesus is the only way to God

John 14: 1-6

_____1 "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me.

_ **2** "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you.

_____ 3 "If I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come again and receive you to Myself,
that where I am, there you may be also.

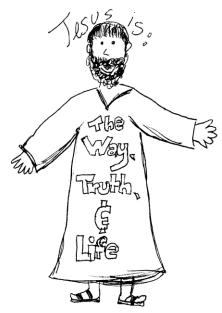


Jesus is the only way to God

John 14: 1-6

- _____ **4** "And you know the way where I am going." _____ **5** Thomas said to Him,
 - "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?
- ____ **6** Jesus said to him,

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.



Passage Two, Assignment 2

Attitude of Christ

Philippians 2: 3-10a

3 Do nothing from selfishness
 or empty conceit,
 but with humility of mind regard one another
 as more important than yourselves;

_____ 4 do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.



Attitude of Christ

Philippians 2: 3-10a

_____ 5 Have this attitude in yourselves
which was also in Christ Jesus,
_____ 6 who, although He existed
in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
a thing to be grasped,
_____ 7 but emptied Himself,
taking the form of a bond-servant,
and being made in the likeness of men.



Attitude of Christ

Philippians 2: 3-10a

8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
9 For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,
10 so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW,

Passage Three, Assignment 3

Run the Race Well!

Hebrews 12: 1-4

_ 1 Therefore, since we have
so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us,
let us also lay aside every encumbrance
and the sin which so easily entangles us,
and let us run with endurance
the race that is set before us,
_ 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus,
the author and perfecter of faith,
who for the joy set before Him
endured the cross,

despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.



Run the Race Well!

Hebrews 12: 1-4

_____3 For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

____ **4** You have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood in your striving against sin;



Passage Four, Assignment 2

Learning Verses—Parents are KEY!

Sundays – CrossWalk will get the kids *started* on memorizing Bible passages in the NASB version Monday-Saturday – *Parents please* help your child:

- PRACTICE the passages
- BRING his/her CrossWalk book each Sunday

Rewards for Reciting!

When

Sundays - children recite their verses at break of CrossWalk, then collect points for prizes at the prize table.

Wednesday Club Nights – Club leaders can hear & sign your CrossWalk book. Bring it to the prize table on Sundays!

To whom

Your child can recite to CrossWalk leaders, parents, Club leaders

What

- 1 POINT per verse for:
- Saying any part of a CrossWalk passage eg. any one verse in the Psalm 1 passage =1 point
- Verse listeners initial and date on the line next to each verse recited correctly

AND...

- ➤ DOUBLE POINTS!!!! per verse for:
- Reciting entire passage at one sitting with no more than about 3 errors/prompts (eg. Psalm 1:1-6 = 12 points)!
- Receive double points *each time* you recite a whole passage! Eg. 36 points if you say Psalm 1:1-6 on 3 different Sundays!

Guidelines to get you Movin'!

- 1. Memorize the heading with each assignment.
- Memorize the Bible references.
- 3. Memorize the verses exactly as they appear in the Bible (we recommend NASB). Do not add, do not change and do not leave out any words.
- 4. Recite an entire assignment at one time to get it signed off by a leader or verse listener.
- 5. Recite an entire passage for double points!

Be diligent and aim for excellence!

M.O.V.E. - Meditate On a Verse Everyday!

- Ask God to help you! You have begun a great treasure hunt with guaranteed treasure from God! (Ps. 19:7-11, Proverbs 2:1,4-5)
- 2. Start memorizing early in the week. (Ps. 119:97) Don't save it all for the last minute! The goal is to learn the verses so well that you will remember them for a long time, hopefully even for the rest of your life!! (Ps. 119:11,16)
- 3. Let God speak to you through His Word. Pray that He will help you to understand the importance of His Word. Listen for Him! (Ps. 119:34)
- 4. Read over the passage every day, even when you don't have time to practice memorizing. Put the passage where you will see it--bathroom mirror, car, refrigerator, night stand, ...you name it!
 - 5. Get a friend or family member to quiz you through the week and check that you are learning the verses correctly!)

Where do I find these important topics in my Bible?	Book and Chapter		
Creation	Genesis 1		
Choose right company Who is Blessed? Value God's Word!	Psalm 1		
God is the Shepherd (don't worry or fear)	Psalm 23		
Wisdom	Proverbs 2		
"The Love Chapter"	I Corinthians 13		
Christian behavior- speak truth, control anger, workdon't steal, use words for good, be kind and forgiving	Ephesians 4		
Family and work relationships	Ephesians 6		
Jesus says to be born again	John 3		
Instructions about how to pray"The Lord's prayer"	Matthew 6		
You can only have one masterWhy Christians shouldn't worrySeek God's kingdom	Matthew 6		
God's glory in creation God's Word is better than honey or gold!	Psalm 19		
Who is like God? (No one!)	Isaiah 40		
God is faithful!	Lamentations 3		
Before salvation, we were deadSalvation is by grace through faithGod has great plans for you	Ephesians 2		



"Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face, And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of His glory and grace."

Helen H. Lemmel