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## LESSON 1: God promises victory



In the beginning, God made the most beautiful perfect garden of Eden.Then, God made Adam in His own image and He gave him a helper called Eve.

The garden had everything they needed and God made only one rule -"DO NOT EAT from the tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil." If they did they would die.

Satan came to Eve as a serpant and told her that they wouldn't die if they ate of the fruit. Was that true? NO!

God had said they would die and that the fruit from that tree was forbidden. Do you think they chose to obey God?

The forbidden tree's fruit looked so delicious and Eve wanted the wisdom it would give her. She knew eating from the tree would mean death but still she picked the fruit, took a bite and gave some to Adam who was with her.



Both had broken the rule.





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Both disobeyed God. What was the punishment? It was death. Because of their sin they couldn't have life with God anymore.



But the story didn't end their!

**Immediately** God tells satan how He is going to make a way for people to be with Him again. In Genesis 3:15 God makes a promise that **Jesus will come and save us from our sin and satan will be beaten**.

The good news is that God kept His promise. Jesus did come. And Jesus did beat satan. And Jesus is still alive. That means because of Jesus when we believe in Him we can be with God again.

AND THAT IS HOW WE HAVE VICTORY WITH



Draw the pictures of what happened in the story and retell it to someone else.

1: God made a perfect garden called Eden.	2: There was only 1 rule. Do not eat the fruit from the tree of knowledge of good and evil.				
3: The snake lied to Eve.	4: Eve ate the fruit.				
5: Adam ate the fruit.	6: Adam and Eve felt had sinned. They could not live with God anymore.				
9: God immediately made a promise that He would send					

Colour in the victory medal. Every time you use a different colour say the Bible verse: 1 Corinthians 15:57 **"Thank God! He gives us** victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ."



# LESSON 2: Victory only through Jesus.

Sin is thinking, doing or saying something wrong. Sin is anything that goes against God. Adam and Eve were the first to sin but they were NOT the last. Every one of us have sinned too.

Can you think of sins you have done?

If we have sin we cannot have life with God. Many years ago God told His people that He would send a saviour or Messiah that would come and save the world. To make sure there was no mistaking who this was, God also sent about 355 prophecies (or messages) telling us exactly what the promised one would be like. These can all be found in the Old Testament of the Bible.

Can you find the sock that is the perfect match?



Draw a line matching the Bible verse showing God's promise about the Saviour to the Bible verse that tells us about Jesus.



Jesus was an exact match to every message God had said the saviour would be like!



# LESSON 3: Jesus died and came alive

God's plan to save us started when Jesus came to earth. Some of the leaders at the time didn't like Jesus. They thought He was lying about being God's son and they wanted to kill Him.



Jesus's friend, Judas, told the leaders that he would help them arrest Jesus and they paid him.



After they had arrested Jesus, they beat Him, spat on Him and put a crown made of thorns on His head.

Then they made Jesus carry a heavy wooden cross up the hill. Jesus was very tired, and His body was sore and broken. He struggled to carry the cross and He needed help.

They put big nails through Jesus's hands and feet and hung Him on a cross.

Jesus knew that He needed to die so that we could all be forgiven of our sins.





When Jesus died the curtain in the temple tore. That meant that anyone could go in and talk to God. That means no matter where you are, you can talk to God. A man named Joseph took Jesus' body and buried Him. This seems like a sad story. How is this God's perfect plan to save us? But look what happened next!





3 days after Jesus had died some women went to His grave, but they were very surprised when they got there.

JESUS WAS GONE! They saw an angel and the angel told them that **Jesus had come back to life**. He wasn't dead anymore.

They were so happy that they ran back to tell everyone!

Soon after Jesus appeared to them in the room where they were staying. Jesus showed them the holes in His hands and feet, and they saw that He was alive.





Jesus spent another 40 days with His friends before He went up to Heaven. Jesus is still alive in Heaven now! Circle 5 differences between the 2 pictures?



What difference does it make to you knowing that Jesus is still alive today?

Because Jesus died and came alive again, He took our punishment of death away from us. He made a way for us to be with God forever one day in heaven. All we have to do is:

- □ Believe that Jesus is the son of God
- Pray and ask Jesus to forgive us of all our sins
- Ask Jesus to come into our lives and change our hearts to be more like Him

Praying is talking to God. God loves it when we speak to Him. If you are not sure what you could say here is a little help.

### Dear Lord Jesus. I believe that You are God's son. Thank you that you came to earth and died for my sin. Please forgive me for all the bad things I've done. Please come into my life and change my heart to be more like You In Jesus name, AMEN.

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1	Blue		2	Green		3	Brown		

Use the colour code to find the picture then fill in the missing word.

Thank you, Jesus, for dying on the \_\_\_\_\_ for my sins!

## LESSON 4: Victory over fear

What are you afraid of? Draw these in the block



It doesn't feel nice being afraid. But did you know it says in the Bible 365 times **"Do not be afraid"**. There are also 365 days in 1 year. That means God is telling us every day not to be afraid. The Bibles says in 2 Timothy 1:7



Knowing that fear is not from God and it's not His plan for us will help to not be afraid anymore.

Pray and ask God to help you not be afraid anymore:

Ephesians 6:10-18 tells us that God has given us a special kind of armour. It's not made of metal but instead it is a spiritual armour. We can't see it with our eyes, but it is real. It protects us and helps us fight against our fears and the lies of the enemy.





The Helmet of Salvation helps keep our thoughts on God all the time.

The Breastplate of Righteousness is Jesus Himself helping us stay without sin.



The Belt of Truth is us following Jesus because He is the truth. Lies from the enemy are easy to see when you know Truth (Truth (1997)) The truth.

The Shoes of the Gospel of Peace are put on our feet so that we are always ready to go and tell someone about Jesus.





The Shield of Faith is what protects us. Faith means to believe in God's promises. We know God has promised to take care of us and never leave us. When we believe these promises and have faith we are protected from the lies of the enemy.

The Sword of the Spirit is the Word of God, the Bible. If we know what the Bible says, even when we are tricked or tempted to do bad things, we will be able to fight back and say no. Can you label the picture without looking?



### LESSON 5: Victory over temptation

Tempted means thinking about doing something even when you know it is wrong.

Have you ever been tempted to tell a lie, or take something that isn't yours? Doing these things would be sinning. God loves us even if we do these things and He will forgive us **BUT** he wants us to try our best not to give into these temptations.

Did you know that Jesus was also tempted when He lived on earth? But He did not sin.

Jesus used the sword of the spirit which is the WORD OF GOD (Bible) to make sure He didn't sin.



Matthew 4 tells us that the Holy Spirit led Jesus to the desert and Jesus hadn't eaten or drunk something for 40 days!

Satan tempted Jesus and said "If you are the Son of God then why don't you just turn these stones into bread?"





But Jesus knew that was not what God's word said **so Jesus did not sin!** 

Next satan took Jesus to the top of a very high temple and

said, "If you are the Son of God, just jump and surely the angels will catch you. It even says in the scriptures that God will send His angels to protect you and you won't even hit your foot on a rock!"





But Jesus knew he shouldn't jump because the Bible said do not test God and **so Jesus did not sin!** 

Satan tried to tempt Jesus again. This time by offering Him wealth and power and all Jesus had to do was bow and worship satan.

Jesus shouted, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only." Again **Jesus did not sin!** 



Finally, satan left Jesus alone.

Jesus walked out of the desert and began His ministry. What a VICTORY! Jesus had faced temptation but did not sin.



# LESSON 6: Victory through faith

God told a man named Joshua about a great plan He had. God wanted Joshua to go to battle against the city of Jericho.



Jericho was a very big city with very high walls and lots of strong warriors.

Joshua thought what God was asking him to do was impossible and he was scared.

But God told Joshua that before he even started to fight, he was going to win. God was going to make him win! Joshua loved God and he had faith that if God said they were going to win then they would.

When the city of Jericho heard the Israelite army was coming to fight against them, they closed their city gates. They were so scared. The people of Jericho didn't love and



obey God but they knew that God was much stronger than their big walls and army!

God told Joshua to tell the Israelite army to march around the city of Jericho once, every day for six days. On day 7 God told them to march around the city 7 times. This time He said the priests must blow their horns and the people must shout as loud as they could and the walls would then fall down.



God heard their shout and all the walls fell down! God had helped them win the battle - just like He said He would. Joshua trusted God. He had faith and they had won.

Just like Joshua we need to trust God. He knows what is best. He will always give us the victory.



Circle the objects hidden in the picture. Color the picture.



# LESSON 7: God is always with us

Sometimes God asks us to do things for Him and we feel like it is too hard or too scary.

He asks us to tell others about Jesus.

He asks us to read the Bible so we can teach others what it says.

He asks us to pray for miracles.

Remember you can do these things because God is with you ALL the time.

Let's learn about a man named Gideon. (Judges 6 and 7) who got scared when God asked him to do something.

God had done so many miracles for the Israelite people and looked after them so well **but** they stopped loving God. They didn't follow His rules and started loving gods that were not real. God let the Midianite army steal all their food and cows and the people had to hide in caves because they were scared.



It took the Israelites 7 years for them to see how much they needed God's help. They begged God to help them. God is so forgiving. He had a plan to save them!

God sent Gideon a message. He wanted him to fight the Midianite army. Gideon was scared but God **promised to be with him**.



Gideon got 32 000 men to be part of his army. God told Gideon to make his army smaller. God wanted to make sure they knew it was God who would win the fight and not them. So, Gideon told anyone who was feeling scared to go home! Only 10 000 men stayed.

Again, God told Gideon that the army was **too big**. God told Gideon to tell the men who drank out of the river without using their hands to go home. Now only 300 men were left!

Gideon was scared that they would lose this battle with only 300 men against the 135000 Midianite men!





God sent Gideon into the Midianite camp to hear them talking.

The soldiers were scared because they dreamt that a big loaf of bread came rolling through the camp and squashed them all. They knew God was going to help the Israelites win the fight.

Gideon was so excited that he ran back to his men praising God all the way!

On the day of the fight God told them to break clay pots, wave lights, blow trumpets and shout "FOR GOD AND FOR GIDEON!" The Midianite men were so scared they started to fight each other! The Israelites won!



Did Gideon win because he had lots of men?  $\mathbb{N} \bigcirc$ Did they win because they were good fighters?  $\mathbb{N} \bigcirc$ Did Gideon win because God was with him?  $\mathbb{Y} \boxtimes \mathbb{S}$ God was with them and

GOD 13 ALWAYS WITH YOU TOO!

What did Gideon do when he needed help from God? Look for the number in the table below and write it on the line.

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What can you do when you need help from God?



Draw the things God is asking you to do around the verse.



Repeat this verse for each of these things. Remember how Great and Powerful God is every time you get scared.

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# LESSON 8: Victory from trusting Jesus

The Bible tells us in Luke 18:27

"What is impossible for people is possible with God."

Do you know that Jesus is always in control? Do you know that if we can't make things better that Jesus can?

Draw or write things you want Jesus to help you with:

# Keep asking Him to help you!

**1 Samuel 17,18** helps us remember how God can help even the smallest of us to be brave because He can do anything!

God's people had some scary enemies but the Philistines were the scariest of them all. One of the soldiers was over 3m tall.

He was so big that the ground shook when he walked!. His name was Goliath. God's people were scared. They must have forgotten how great God is.



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One day Goliath shouted "Send your best soldier to fight me! If he wins we will be your slaves. But if I win, you will be our slaves!"



A young shepherd boy named David heard what Goliath said. He knew that God had helped him fight off wild animals when he was looking after his sheep.

He knew how great and powerful God is and he knew God



would help him beat Goliath. All the other soldiers were too scared. The king even tried to make David wear his heavy armour but instead David took 5 small stones and his sling.

David said to Goliath, "You come at me with a sword, but I come to you in the name of the Lord almighty!" He knew that God was on his side and that God would give him victory in this battle.





And God did help him! The stone hit Goliath in the head

and killed him straight away. God's people were free!

# HOW DED DAVED BEAT GOLEATHS Look at the letter next to each picture fill that letter in on the lines below.



# And God is with you too!

# LESSON 9: Stay close to Jesus

The Bible tells us about a woman named Mary Magdalene.



She had 7 evil spirits in her and Jesus made them come out. She was healed. (Luke 8:2).

Circle how you think that would have made

her feel?



When Mary Magdalene had a problem where did she go for

help? She went to

Jesus was travelling from place to place teaching people about God and how they should live. And where was Mary?

She was right there **with** 

Mary Magdalene and some other ladies where helping Jesus. They were probably making them food, clothes, cleaning and things like that. But what is amazing is that they did all of this using their own money (Luke 8:3). Mary Magdalene didn't just come to



Jesus to be healed, she came and she stayed! Following Him and helping Him wherever He went.

When Jesus was arrested and was going to be killed many people were too scared to say that they believed that Jesus was the son of God. Some even ran away.



Do you think Mary Magdalene left Jesus? No, Mary Magdalene stayed by Jesus' side the whole time. (John 19:25)

(Mark 16:1) Early the next morning Mary Magdalene made her way to the tomb to put sweet spices on the body to show Jesus honour. When she got there the tomb was empty and she began to cry as she did not know where they had put the body of Jesus.

Do you think that showed that May loved Jesus?



Mary did not know that Jesus had come alive again.



As she was leaving Jesus came to meet her. He told her to tell the others that He was alive. Mary was so happy! When Mary Magdalene had a problem she went to Jesus. When you have a problem, who can you go to? J \_\_\_ S \_\_\_ S. Tell Jesus your problems:

When people needed to be taught about God, Mary Magdalene was there serving Jesus.

When your friends and family need to be taught about God you can be there serving Jesus too.

Write what you can tell others about Jesus



When Mary Magdalene couldn't find Jesus, she stayed and kept looking – and she found Him.

The Bible teaches us that if we look for God we **will** find Him. (Jeremiah 29:13)

No matter the situation we need to stay close to Jesus!

Draw in your face.



Add in the vowels to work out how to stay close to Jesus



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# LESSON 10: Let Jesus change you

James and John were two men in the Bible that Jesus asked to follow Him so He could teach them how to live for God.



Before James and John knew and loved Jesus their lives were very different from afterwards. Can you see the difference?

Do you know that Jesus gives you Victory of sin? \_\_\_\_\_ Knowing that we have life because of Jesus should change the way we live.

Draw how you have changed since knowing Jesus

Before I knew Jesus:

After now that I love Jesus:

Decorate this page and tear it off to give to someone else.



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