

Beginner Bible Teacher+

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Dear Beginner Teacher,

Welcome to *Beginner Bible Teacher*⁺! As witnesses for Christ in a changing world, we have to think creatively about how we minister, while still holding firmly to the Word of Truth. Our Plus Series contains the same robust Bible lessons and background information that you love, but they have been carefully crafted to help you excite your students to learn God's Word.

Here are a few old favorites reimagined:

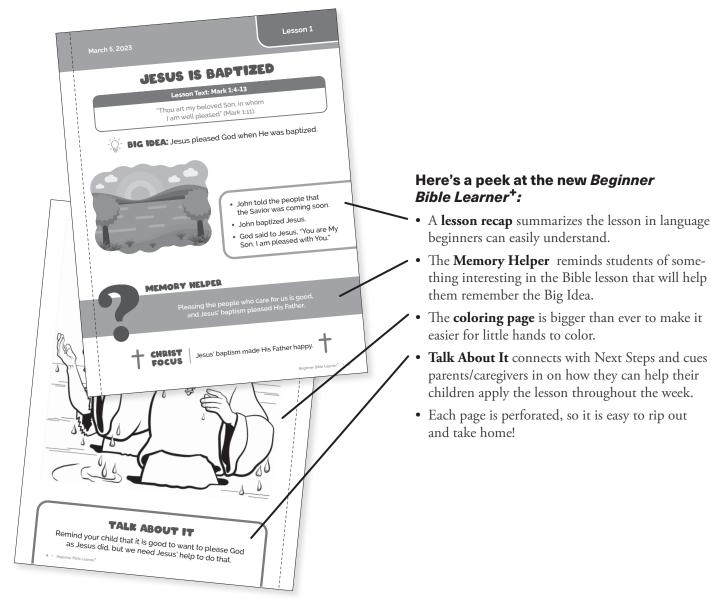
- The **Big Idea** is the main point of the lesson (it replaces the Aim in the old *Beginner Bible Teacher*). This helps you focus your lesson on the one thing you want your students to take away about God and His Word.
- **Prepare Your Mind** and **Prepare Your Heart** will ready you to teach with background information and a short devotional (they replace Thoughts for Teachers).
- **Prepare the Room**, **Suggested Song**, and **Supplies** give you all the practical information you need to prepare for class time (they replace Getting Ready).
- The **Conversation Starter** is an interesting question or object lesson that helps you kick off your class and get your students invested in the lesson. It will always tie in with the first part of the Bible Lesson (replaces Beginning Worship).
- **Next Steps** helps your students apply the lesson to their lives (replaces Showing How to Live).
- Activities get your students' wiggles out while thinking about the lesson (replaces Action Time).

AIM C Solution - Solut	s to remember His blessings.	
THOUGHTS FOR TEACHERS > Prepare Your Mind Prepare Your Heart		
Getting Ready > Prepare the Room	Suggested Song	
Beginning Worship Conversation Starte	er TELLING A STORY > Story Time	
Showing How to Live Next Steps	ACTION TIME X Activity	

Here are some new features:

- **Introductory pages** for each unit will connect the units to one another and point toward the quarter's major themes.
- **Teacher Tips** in the lesson will give you quick tips to involve your students or deal with difficult subject matter.
- Just Curious prepares you to respond to questions students might ask about the lesson.
- **Prop Prompt** symbols notify you when to use a prop listed in the supply list at the beginning of the lesson. All props and supplies are in bold the first time they appear.
- A **glossary** section keys you in to words in the lesson that may be difficult to understand for young students.
- Action symbols help you see opportunities to invite your class to take part in the lesson.
- Review Questions will test your students' comprehension of the lesson.
- The **Christ Focus** encourages thought about how the Scripture passage and lesson point to our loving Savior.
- **Bonus activity pages** for your students will be included each quarter as supplements in the back of this book.





UNIT I: Women of Faith

Lesson 1: Genesis 2:18-25 God Creates a Woman

Lesson 2: Judges 4:4-10, 12-16 Deborah Encourages Barak

Lesson 3: Ruth 1:1-9, 14b, 16 Ruth Follows Naomi

Lesson 4: Ruth 2:8-18 Ruth Meets Boaz

Lesson 5: Ruth 4:1-10 Ruth Marries Boaz

Lesson 6: 1 Samuel 1:20, 26-28; 2:1-10 Hannah Gives Her Son to God

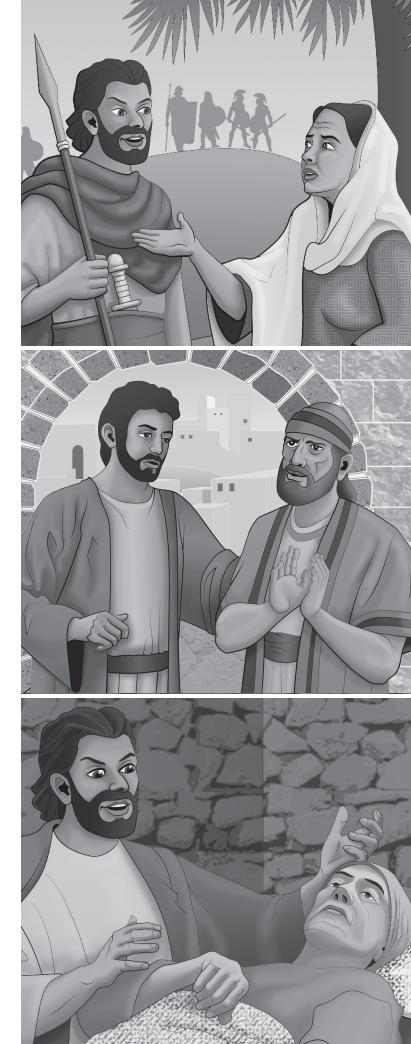
Lesson 7: Esther 3:2-3, 5-6a; 4:7-16 Esther's Bold Faith

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Lesson 9: Luke 7:36-50 A Sinner Serves Christ

Lesson 10: Acts 9:36-43 A Faithful Servant in the Church

This unit presents women of great faith. First, God blessed man with the creation of woman for lifelong companionship. There are also many accounts of women whose unwavering faith made them instruments for God's glory. God called Deborah to bring Israel victory in battle, Esther to save the nation of Israel from destruction, and Hannah to bring a great prophet to lead Israel. Mary was a woman of great faith who gave birth to Baby Jesus. Many women have served God faithfully in the body of Christ.



Lesson 1

God Creates a Woman

Lesson Text: Genesis 2:18-25

The Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him (Genesis 2:18).

Big Idea: God created woman so that man would not be alone.

GENESIS 2:18 And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. 19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof.

20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.

21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

23 And Adam said, This *is* now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

Prepare Your Mind

The second chapter of Genesis gives a detailed account of the creation of the first man and woman. After creating Adam from dust, God's own breath entered Adam's lungs. The idea that God's breath filled Adam's lungs is amazing! Humankind is God's most precious creation. Adam named each animal, but not one of them was a mate for him. God knew that being alone was not good for man. From Adam's side, God made Eve, Adam's helper. Eve was Adam's

complement. Through Adam and Eve, God established the institution of marriage and showed us what He expects from a marriage that honors Him. In marriage, Adam and Eve were joined as one flesh, glued together in a permanent relationship. From the beginning, God designed and ordained marriage.

Prepare Your Heart

Genesis 2 establishes the family as the central building block of society. Husbands and wives are different, and each brings harmony to the marriage relationship. Scripture shows us that wives have the same value as men as an image-bearer. God gave wives the roles of suitable helpers to their husbands. When husbands and wives accept their God-given roles, everyone benefits, especially the children. Scripture is evidence that marriage is intended to be a covenant relationship patterned after God's covenant relationship with Israel, and it is intended to be a permanent relationship that cannot be terminated. Sadly, that is not always the case. Praise God that He will never casually terminate the relationship He establishes with us through the death of His perfect Son, Jesus.

Supplies

• picture of Adam with animals in Eden

- picture of Adam and Eve in Eden
- picture of a modern-day family worshipping at church
- pairs of items (e.g., sock and shoe, toothbrush and toothpaste)
- table
- construction paper (including white)
- crayons
- scissors
- glue stick

"God Made Me" (Cedarmont Kids)

Glossary

rib: curved bone within the sides of the body; the side of something or someone