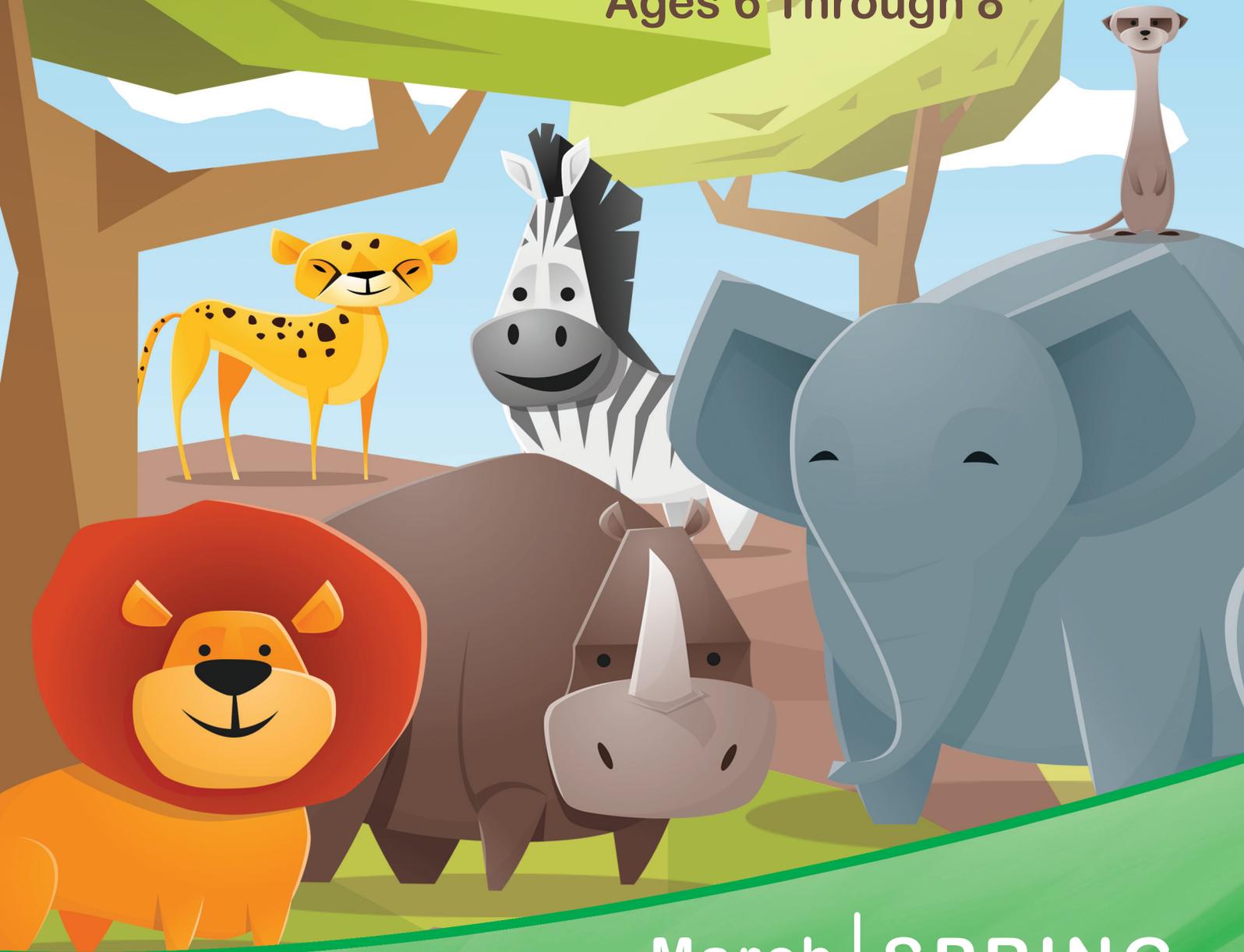


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Dear Primary Teacher,

Welcome to our new *Primary 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 Object in View in the old *Primary 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 Notes on the Lesson).
 - **Prepare the Room**, **Suggested Song**, and **Supplies** give you all the practical information you need to prepare for class time (they replace Planning Visual Aids).
 - **Truths to Stress** are underlined in the Bible Lesson so that you can see the main points at a glance.
 - 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 the Lesson).
 - **Next Steps** helps your students apply the lesson to their lives (replaces Telling How to Live).
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THE OBJECT IN VIEW



Big Idea: God wants us to remember His blessings.

NOTES ON THE LESSON



Prepare Your Mind

Prepare Your Heart

PLANNING VISUAL AIDS



Prepare the Room



Suggested Song



Supplies

BEGINNING THE LESSON



Conversation Starter

TELLING HOW TO LIVE



Next Steps

Please note: In an effort to provide more flexible material and encourage teachers to model Bible reading for their students, we have chosen to leave the Scripture block out of these lessons.

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.
- **Activities** help your students get their wiggles out while thinking about the lesson.
- **Action** symbols help you see opportunities to invite your class to take part in 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.

KEY:

Teacher Tips



Just Curious



Prop Prompts



Actions



March 19, 2023 Lesson 3

DOING HIS FATHER'S WORK

Lesson Text: John 5:19-29

"He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life" (John 5:24).

BIG IDEA: Jesus pleased God by doing what God wanted Him to do.

JESUS OBEYED GOD

Some of the words below are mixed up. Unscramble them and then read each sentence.

Jesus had not done a wrong thing by **IHNLGAE** _____ the man.

Jesus did every **LIGNES** _____ thing that God **AWEDTN** _____ Him to do!

The people did not **HOONR** _____ Jesus.

They did not **VBEELI** _____ He was God's **NOS** _____.

Jesus should get the same **PSRECET** _____ that God gets.

Jesus said that He would do even more amazing **IRASCLEM** _____.

He will bring the **ADED** _____ back to **ELFI** _____!

That has not **HEAPEPND** _____ yet, but God **RDEIOSMP** _____ that it will happen.

MEMORY HELPER

Some people thought Jesus did a bad thing. Really, He did a good thing. Everything Jesus does is good because He only does what God wants.

CHRIST FOCUS

Jesus has the power to raise the dead because He is God.

FEET

HAND

TALK ABOUT IT

Pray with your child this week, asking God to show her the things He wants her to do and for help to do them.

Here's a peek at the new *Primary Bible Learner*:

- A **lesson recap** includes true and false questions, fill-in-the-blank puzzles, and much more to help ensure your students understood the lesson.
- The **Memory Helper** reminds students of something interesting in the Bible lesson that will help them remember the Big Idea.
- The **activity page** is bigger than ever and full color to get your students excited to solve puzzles and review the lesson.
- **Talk About It** connects with Next Steps and cues caregivers in on how they can help their children apply the lesson throughout the week.
- Each page is perforated, so it is easy to rip out and take home!

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Confirmed by Power over Death

Lesson 1: John 8:31-38, 48-56, 58-59

Jesus Says He Is God

Lesson 2: Luke 8:40-56

Jesus Heals and Raises to Life

Lesson 3: John 11:38-44

Jesus Brings Lazarus Back to Life

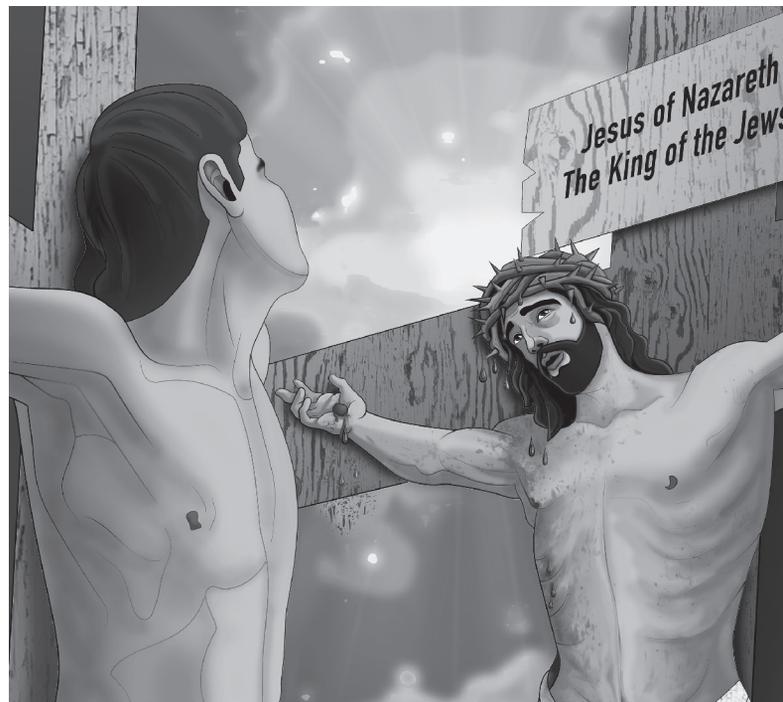
Lesson 4: Luke 23:33-49

Jesus Is Crucified

Lesson 5: Luke 24:1-12, 30-35

Jesus Is Alive from the Dead (Easter)

During Jesus' earthly ministry, He proved His deity many times. When the Jews who were following Jesus heard His claim that He is God and that He has always existed with the Father, they were set to kill Him. Jesus avoided death that time, and He continued to establish that He is God by His power over disease and death. Then His death, burial, and especially His resurrection from the dead confirmed that Jesus is the Son of God. Only God the Son could die for us and then come back from the dead.



Jesus Says He Is God

Lesson Text: John 8:31-38, 48-56, 58-59

“If ye continue in my word, then ye are my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free (John 8:31-32).”



Big Idea: Jesus is God, and He can free us from sin.

Prepare Your Mind

The conflict sparked by Jesus' claim of divinity in John 8 began when a woman was caught in adultery. Instead of indicting the woman, Jesus indicted her accusers of their own sin. He set the woman free from the penalty of the law—death. That story set the stage for Jesus' teaching later in the chapter. Jesus identified Himself as “I Am,” a direct claim to His divine authority. “I Am” was the very name the Lord called Himself when speaking to Moses out of the burning bush. Jesus' claim demands we respond in one of two ways: accept His testimony as the truth that can set men free from the power of sin or reject Him as a heretic.

Prepare Your Heart

Christ is the truth that sets us free not only from death (the penalty for sin) but also from its grip on our lives. The religious leaders of the day chose to reject the truth. They preferred to continue living according to their own authority. The religious leaders made their own rules, rules that perpetuated their pride, fed their greed, and manipulated the lives of others. It is tempting to distance ourselves from the religious leaders. We think we would never reject Jesus' authority! But do we? He seeks to rule our hearts, setting us free—not to do our own will but to serve Him. Is there an area of your life where you prefer your own sinful rule to the freedom Jesus offers?



Supplies

- one Hula-Hoop per group of three to four children
- construction paper in two colors



Suggested Song 🕒 5 min

"Your Word Is Truth (John 17:17)" (Freedom Kids)



Glossary

holy: without sin; God's complete perfection

servant: a person whose job it is to do work for someone else