Primary Bible Teacher For Teachers of Children Ages 6 Through 8

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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:

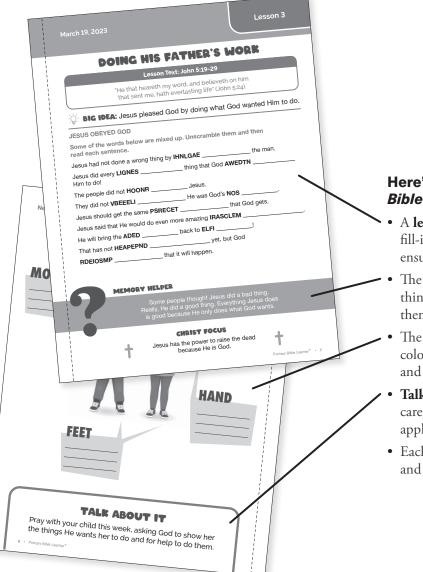
- The **Big Idea** is the main point of the lesson (it replaces the Object in View in the old *Primary Bible Teacher*). This helps you focus your lesson on the one thing you want your students to take away about God and His Word.
- **Prepare Your Mind** and **Prepare Your Heart** will ready you to teach 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).

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	
BEGINNING THE LESSON > Conversation Starter		
TELLING HOW TO LIVE > Next Steps		

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.





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!

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

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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

Ask your students to name some heroes of the Bible, and they will probably list people such as David and Daniel. This unit presents great women of faith. any women's faith brought God glory. God called Deborah to bring Israel victory in battle, Esther to save Israel from destruction, and Hannah to bring a prophet to lead Israel. Mary was a woman of great faith who gave birth to the Messiah. Many women have faithfully served God 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

Genesis, the first book in the Old Testament, establishes many of the foundational rules of life. The Fall of man into sin and the promise of a Redeemer are found in Genesis 3. The concept of marriage is established in Genesis 2. While the truth of marriage has been attacked throughout history and today, God is clear about what marriage is and who can enter a marriage. One man and one woman are the only possible participants. Marriage is also a blessing from God that provides companionship. Jesus would refer to the marriage establishment during His ministry (Matt. 19:4-8). Ultimately, a godly marriage reflects Christ's

relationship with His bride, the church, and calls to mind that glorious day when we will all be united with Him in heaven (Eph. 5:22-33; 1 Thess. 4:17).

Supplies

- picture of Eve and one of Adam
- pictures of animals (a male and
- a female of each species) • mirror
- index cards
- pens
- blank puzzle on page 46
- markers
- scissors

Prepare Your Heart

While this passage may establish the bounds of human marriage, it also provides the foundation for the examples of the church being Christ's bride. The intimacy of the relationship between Adam and Eve—she is literally a part of him—is carried over into our relationship with Christ. And yet Adam and Eve's relationship pales in comparison to Christ's with the church. We are shown the example of Jesus' love for His bride in Ephesians 5:22-33. He sacrificed His glory in heaven to lay down His life for His bride. We see His love for us in creation—from giving life and breath to every living thing to laying down His life as a sacrifice on the cross. How we should love Him! And how His example should inspire spouses to care for each other!

🗸 Prepare the Room

Hide the **picture of Eve** in the classroom before students arrive.

Suggested Song (5 min

"I Have a Friend in Jesus" (Lifetree Kids)

Glossary

companion: a friend with whom one spends a lot of time