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Dear Primary Teacher,

Welcome to *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 robust Bible lessons and background information that have been clearly crafted to help you excite your students to learn God's Word.

Primary Bible Teacher* features:

- **Introductory pages** for each unit will connect the units to one another and point toward the quarter's major themes.
- The **Big Idea** is the main point of the lesson. 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.
- **Supplies** and **Prepare the Room** give you all the practical information you need to prepare for class time.
- A **glossary** section keys you in to words in the lesson that may be difficult to understand for young students.
- 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 lesson.
- **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.
- **Action** symbols help you see opportunities to invite your class to take part in the lesson.
- **Truths to Stress** are underlined in the lesson so that you can see the main points at a glance.
- **Activities** get your students' wiggles out while thinking about the lesson.
- **Next Steps** help your students apply the lesson to their lives.
- The **Christ Focus** encourages thought about how the Scripture passage and lesson point to our loving Savior.
- **Bonus pages** for you and your students will be included each quarter as supplements in the back of this book.

KEY:

Teacher Tips



Just Curious

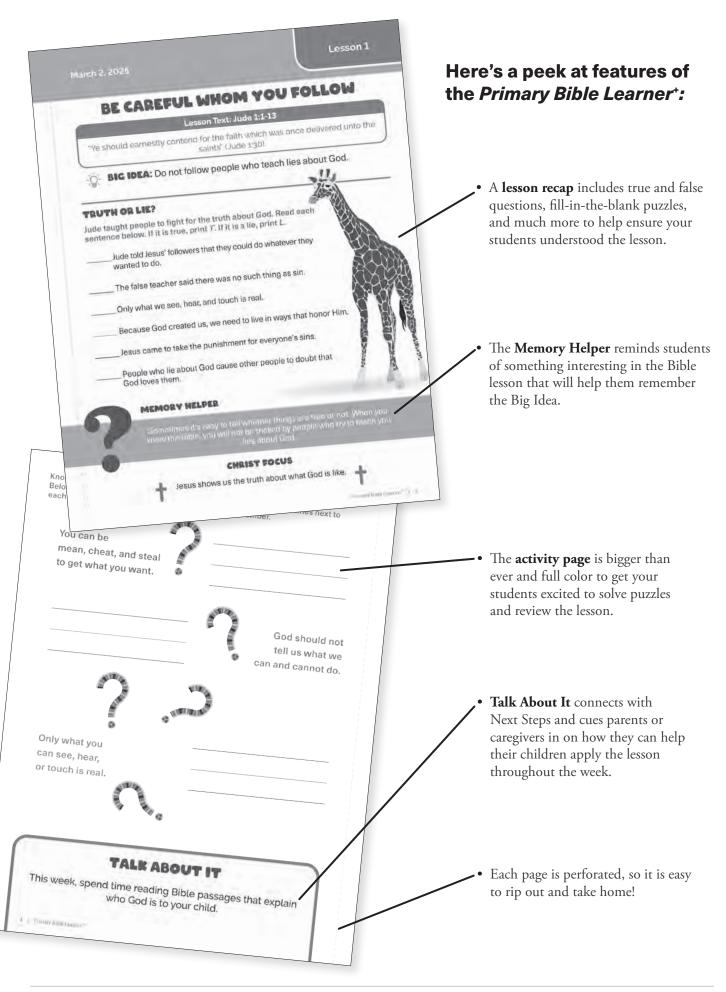


Prop Prompts



Actions





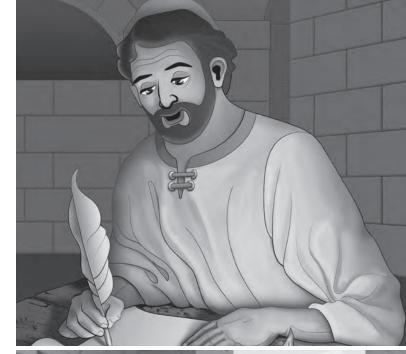
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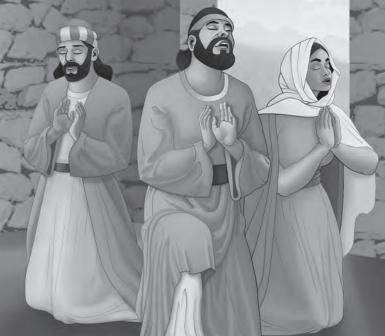
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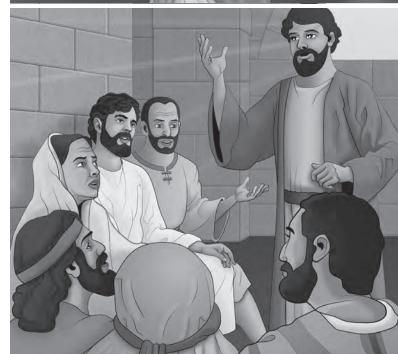
Lesson 1: Jude 1:1-13
Be Careful Whom You Follow

Lesson 2: Jude 1:17-25Build Up Your Faith

In this unit, the children will learn about Jude's warning to watch out for false teachers—those who teach things that are against God's Word. Stress to your class that there were false teachers in Jude's day and that there are false teachers today. False teachers were twisting the truth of Christ's death and resurrection and saying people could do whatever they thought was right. That is true today too. If we belong to Christ and want to please Him because we love Him, we should do only what He says is right in His Word.







Be Careful Whom You Follow

Lesson Text: Jude 1:1-13



Ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints (Jude 1:3*b*).





Big Idea: Do not follow people who teach lies about God.

JUDE 1:1 Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

- 2 Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.
- **3** Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.
- 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.
- **5** I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.
- **6** And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.
- 7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going

- after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.
- 8 Likewise also these *filthy* dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.
- **9** Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.
- 10 But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.
- 11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.
- 12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;
- 13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

Prepare Your Mind

Jude introduced himself as a servant of Jesus Christ and the brother of James. However, realize that Jude grew up in the family of Jesus. In identifying as a servant of Christ, Jude emphasized his spiritual tie to Jesus rather than his blood ties. Like Jesus' other brothers, Jude apparently believed Jesus was the Messiah after the resurrection. By the time Jude wrote this letter, he had humbled himself, placing his faith in the only thing that counts—the blood of Jesus. Jude indicated his desire to write to the believers about this great salvation through Christ. However, guided by the Spirit, he wrote a message of warning concerning the dangers of false teachers.

Supplies

- Bible
- zipper plastic bags
- · roll of toilet paper
- water
- drawing paper
- blue food coloring
- orange and blue crayons

Prepare Your Heart

As teachers of young children, what an opportunity we have to teach them the truth about our loving and holy God! Yet it is also a humbling responsibility. God is gracious, abounding in mercy, patient, kind, and compassionate. But He is also righteous and holy, and rejecting God's authority has serious consequences. Jude's warning about false teachers includes three sobering Old Testament reminders about the need to submit to God's authority. A few Israelites, the angels who fell from heaven, and the inhabitants of Sodom and Gomorrah all made choices that led to judgment. Let us pray that God will help us handle the truths of Scripture accurately but also with great wisdom and sensitivity to the needs of the children in our care.



"The B-I-B-L-E" (Unknown)



false teacher: a person who teaches lies as the truth sin: anything that goes against God's rules; sin separates us from God