National Children's Ministry Curriculum

Third Quarter: March – May 2023

Back to God's Reality is the theme chosen for this church year for our children. We thought it a necessary platform from which to introduce our children to the **incredible** plan of God for their lives. This plan started many years ago and is, today, still an excellent plan. God created mankind to have a relationship with Him. We want the children to understand that this world was not created with flaws. God created this world perfectly. Unfortunately, mankind became disobedient and required God to come out of rest in an effort to bring us Back to God's Reality. What is God's Reality?

Throughout this curriculum you will find four sub themes which will take the children on a journey. This journey unpacks the stories and some themes of the Bible. It explains God's intention for humanity and the Fall of Man as we explore <u>God's Sacred Truth</u>. They then will dive into exploring God's plan to restore His people through special people who He gave <u>The Call</u>. Those He called, He gave <u>Supercharged Salvation</u> and instructed them to share His plan of restoration for mankind, then reassured us that we can all <u>Live in His Reality</u>.

We have added a new column this year. It seeks to emphasize the presence of God the Son throughout the Bible's history. We encourage you to use different opportunities during your lessons to present Jesus to the children. It promises to be a great year and we declare that our children will not only learn more about Our Father but also develop a craving for Him and His Word as we seek to go **Back to God's Reality**.

Dates	Themes	Objectives	Suggested Activities	Scriptures	Jesus Revealed (How can we see or connect Jesus in this lesson)		
	Quarter 3 - Supercharged Salvation God can save EVERYONE!						
Week 1	God Makes An Enemy a Friend	At the end of this session the children will be able to: - Tell the story of Saul persecuting the saints. -Explain how God sent Ananias to Saul -Express why they think God gave Saul a chance to be a Christian. -Explain an understanding of God's call for us to love our enemies -Express understanding that God wants everyone to be saved	Bible Story Video Paul's Ministry Act It Out! Invite the children to play out the story of Paul in a skit, write a dub poem or do a song to tell the story. Memorize Rom 3:23 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P5TircWu6ds Discuss Ask the children some of the ways they can show love to their enemies. Discuss with them how this might look with their classmates, bullies or others who are mean to them.	-Acts 8:1-3; -Acts 8:51-60 -Acts 9:1-22 -Matthew 5:43-48 -Romans 3:23	When God sent his only begotten Son into the world, He didn't send Him for "good people", He sent him for the 'worst of the worst' and 'the best of the best'. Jesus said that he did not come to call those who think they are righteous, but sinners to repentance (Luke 5:32). This is Christ in this story who calls all those whose hearts are open to receive Him.		
Week 2	Scarlet Sin, Scarlet String	At the end of this session the children will be able to: Express understanding that God can call anyone,	Bible Story Video Rahab and the Spi Game/Activity Simple Team Buildi	-Joshua 2:1-24 -Jeremiah 29:11 - Matthew 5:16 - Matthew 5:33-37	God made a promise to Abraham to make Him the Father of many nations and		

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		anywhere at any time - Tell how God can use His people to show others the way - Tell the story of Rahab and her family -Explain how God has a plan for everybody and will use us if we surrender our lives to Him and are obedient -Express the importance of keeping their word/promises. but not swearing.	Rahab Word Search- Kids Korner - BibleWise	-Isaiah 1:18-20	told Him his children would show God's power. Rahab came into God's story as a sinner who had heard all the things God had done for the Israelites and she believed God was who He said He was. Even though Rahab had scarlet sins, she was given a chance to be Jesus' ancestor. Rahab was chosen as someone who would be a part of the Saviour coming into the world!
Week 3	Jesus Loves All	At the end of this session the children will be able to: -Discuss the difference between the Jews and Samaritans.	Bible Story Videos The Gospel Project Jesus and the Wo Colouring Pages https://sermons4kids.co m/samaritan woman col	-John 4:1-42 -Romans 10:8-13 -Matthew 15:21-28 -Galatians 3:23-29	Jesus shows an example of love by not allowing gender, race or social status to prevent Him from sharing the truth and the gospel.

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		-Discuss how they think the Samaritan woman felt knowing that Jesus was speaking with her despite her social status. -Explain what it means to accept Jesus as the Messiah. -Discuss how they too can share the gospel and the impact that their testimonies have on the lives of others.	orpg.htm Decoding Activity https://sermons4kids.co m/thirst_quencher_decod er.htm Group Activities/Games https://sermons4kids.co m/thirst_quencher_group activities.htm	STRAMANS AAND THE CAYMANS	Jesus saw the Samaritan woman as one who is worthy of hearing the gospel and receiving salvation. This shows that everyone is welcomed into the Kingdom of God and that God can save everyone. The scripture demonstrates that only Jesus can offer salvation. He offered living water that will spring forth into eternal life which only he can give.
Week 4	God's Power Saves and Protects	At the end of this session the children will be able to: - Understand that God's power can overcome all situations - Tell how being demon possessed impacts someone's behavior.	Memory Verse: James 4:7 • Memory Verse - Ja • Use this song to m Bible Story • Luke 8: JESUS AN Game Play "Bully in a Pen" as a	- Matthew 8:28- 9:1 or Mark 5:1-21 or Luke 8:26-40 - 1 John 4:4 - Revelations 3:20 - 2 Corinthians 10:4-5 - James 4:7	Satan's aim for the world and God's people is clearly seen through the violent behavior of the demons that possessed the men. However, God is all powerful and is able to overcome any evil spirit.

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		- Discuss how children of God have authority over demons or devils. Therefore, Christians do not need to fear them. - Explain that God's salvation is supercharged with power to overcome evil and carry out God's mission	way to illustrate that even when we are trapped in bad situations, God can make a way out for us, just like he did for the man at the tombs. Song Suggestions Way Maker - Sinach Overcome - Tye Tribbett Made a Way - Travis Greene Victor's Crown - Darlene Zschech Discuss Ask the children about their favourite superheroes and their powers. Talk to them about the heroes' weaknesses (example: Superman has super speed, laser eyes, super strength and the power of flight, but he loses his powers in the presence	STRAMES AND THE CAYMAN S	Jesus in this lesson) The unclean spirits obeying Jesus as He commands them depicts Jesus's authority and that He is El Gibbor (meaning "Mighty God").
			of Kryptonite). Use this to illustrate that our God is Omnipotent (All-Powerful) and can do		

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			anything He chooses. Help them to understand that when we lean on the Holy Spirit, God's power can work through us in extraordinary ways.		