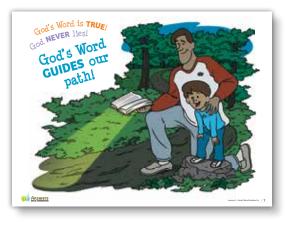
Lesson 3 God's Word Guides Us



Key Passages

Psalm 119:105; Titus 1:2; Hebrews 6:18; Proverbs 30:5

Lesson Focus

God never lies.

Memory Verse

Proverbs 30:5 Every word of God is pure; He is a shield to those who put their trust in Him.

Circle Time

PRAYER

Begin with prayer. Turn to the Flip Chart Prayer page. Today a prayer of confession is suggested. See the Teacher Guide.

GOD'S WORD

These first four questions will be repeated each week. The repetition of these questions will help to solidify these simple but foundational truths in the children's minds at a young age.

- Before we begin, what is this? Hold up your Bible. The Bible!
- What is in this Bible? God's Holy Word!
- What does the Bible tell us? Everything we need to know!
- And all God's words in this Bible are what? True!
- > As you teach this, refer often to the Flip Chart picture to keep the children engaged.

I have this Bible in my lap; I use it just like a map. God's Word guides me as I go; His command is what I know.

- **Do you know what a map is?** Show a local map. Allow for discussion.
- Have you ever seen your dad or mom use a map? Or have you ever been on a hike? Have you ever had to follow a path through the woods? Allow for answers.

We use our maps and pathways in the woods so we won't get lost, right? And at night, we use flashlights or headlights on our cars so we can see where we are going. Bring in a flashlight. Turn the lights off. Turn the flashlight on. It lights our way.

Use the flashlight throughout the rest of the lesson as appropriate.

- Did you know that God's Word is like that? No!
- What does the Bible tell us? Lift up the Bible. This is one of the questions you ask before every class begins. If they don't know the answer yet, you can remind them. Everything we need to know!

That's right! It teaches us everything we need to know. It tells us to be kind to one another and to share our things. It tells us to obey our moms and dads and to always tell the truth. It tells us about God and Jesus! It tells us everything we need to know. It can act as a light for our path by showing us the way we should go. Refer to the Flip Chart. Turn the flashlight on.

Psalm 119:105

I want to read this verse to you. It talks about God's Word. I want you to tell me what it says. Listen carefully. Read Psalm 119:105

- What does the Bible say about God's Word? It is a lamp or a light to our path. Use the flashlight.
- We can trust the Bible. We can believe everything it says. Do you know why we can trust the Bible? Allow for answers.

Titus 1:2

We can trust it and believe it because God cannot lie. Everything He says is always true! Listen to what the Bible tells us about that. Listen carefully! Open your Bible. Read Titus 1:2 emphasizing that God cannot lie.

Did you hear that? What did it say about God? God cannot lie.

That's right. God cannot lie. Everything God tells us in this Bible is true!

Have you ever lied? Yes.

When we don't tell the truth, it is called a lie. But God never lies. He never has and He never will. We can trust God's Word to be true! His Word will light our path and show us how to live. Turn the flashlight on.

Hebrews 6:18a

Let me read part of this verse. It is in Hebrews. Turn to Hebrews in your Bible. Read Hebrews 6:18 from your Bible, "... it is impossible for God to lie."

What does this verse tell us? Listen! Reread Hebrews 6:18 from your Bible, "... it is impossible for God to lie." God can't lie!

That's right. God can't lie, He always tells the truth.

God always stays the same and God cannot lie, we can always trust His words. The Bible will guide us. It will show us how to live. It's like a light to our path. This reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all

read it together! Turn to the Flip Chart Memory Verse page and "read" the verse with the children.

Proverbs 30:5

Every word of God is what? Pure!

The Word of God is pure. It is perfect. Because it is pure and perfect, we know it must be true. And we know it must be true because God can't lie!

We can use the Bible to guide us every day. It is like a light to our path. Every word in this book, the Bible, is from God. He wrote the Bible. He can't lie! God's Word is good for us! It guides us and helps us to know right from wrong. It tells us about Jesus and God! It is like a light for us—guiding us and helping us find the way.

SONG

> Musical instruments, marching, and motions can be added to this section to add interest and help learning.

Very good! Everybody up! We are going to sing a new song and play a little game! As we sing this song, we will join hands and walk around in a circle. Sing "God Can't Lie."

Lyrics to this song are on the Song page of this Flip Chart and in your Teacher Guide.

- > If you like, have some children take turns standing in the middle of the circle while the others walk around them. You can also sing the "Proverbs 30:5 Memory Verse" song and other songs if time allows.
- > Refer to the Teacher Guide for the activities to be continued in Circle Time.
- > Oversee an orderly way to get the children back to their seats, especially if the chairs were moved for Circle Time.

