



"... He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him." – Mark16:6b (NIV)

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I Will Read My Bible Everyday

If you want to grow up to be like Jesus, there are some things you should do every day or on a regular basis. Read the verse to discover something you should do. Complete the instruction by filling in the missing word. Read the same verse every day of every week until you get the next book.

SUNDAY 1 Chronicles 16:23	every day.
MONDAY 1 John 1:9	Every day, I will confess my to God.
TUESDAY Mark 1:35	I will follow Jesus' example and every morning.
WEDNESDAY Mark 16:15	Each day, I will someone that Jesus loves him or her and wants to be his or her Saviour.
THURSDAY Joshua 1:8	God's Word is my guidebook. I will on it everyday.
FRIDAY Hebrews 10:24-25	Every week, I will with other boys and girls in Sunday School.
SATURDAY 1 Peter 1:22	I will my family members and friends every day.

January Unit Activity

Trust in Jesus



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The titles of the lessons for most of the month of January are phrased as questions. After each lesson give a short answer to the question. January 3: January 10: Why Do I Need to Trust Jesus? How Do | Trust Jesus? Answer: Answer: January 17: January 31: Can I Be Sure Jesus Is My How do I Show That Saviour? Trust Jesus? Answer: Answer:

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Lesson Tifle: Why Do I Need to Trust Jesus?

January 7, 2024

MAIN TRUTH

God wants us to have a right relationship with Him by receiving Jesus as Saviour and Lord.

MAINTEXT

Genesis 3:1-24

MEMORY VERSE

For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

Romans 3:23 NIV

God had made a beautiful garden. We call it the Garden of Eden. God loved what He saw. The first man and woman were the best part of God's creation. God let them live in the garden. He loved the man and the woman very much. They loved God too. Their home in the garden was special. Adam and Eve enjoyed living there.

Everything in the garden was perfect, including the food. All of which God made loved Him and obeyed Him. Only the snake did not like the way God made everything. The snake did not like God and he wanted to turn Adam and Eve against God.

God had told Adam and Eve, "Eat from all the trees except one. Make sure that you do not eat fruit from the tree which is in the middle of the garden. If you eat fruit from that tree, you will die."

The snake listened to God's rules but he did not obey them. He was smart and tricky. He wanted Adam and Eve to stop being friends with God. He made a plan to trick them into disobeying God. The snake spoke to Eve. Their conversation went something like this:

Snake: Did God tell you not to eat from any tree in the garden?

Eve: Oh yes! We can eat from the trees in the garden. There is only one that we should stay away from. God said to us, "You must not eat from it." It's the tree in the middle of the garden. God told us, "Do not even touch it, or you will die."

Snake: You will not die. God knows you will become very smart if you eat the fruit. You will know good and evil. You will be like God.

Eve looked at the tree and thought how beautiful it looked. The fruit looked so good to eat. Eve picked one and ate it. She gave some to Adam. He ate it too. Suddenly, a change took place. Their perfect, loving relationship with God was broken. They had become friends with Satan, the snake.

God sent them out of the garden. They had not obeyed Him. They had sinned. They would die. Now all their children and everyone who are born after them are sinners. This is why we need to trust Jesus. Only He can help us to become friends with God again and remain friends.



The words of today's **Memory Verse are below**. Without looking in the Bible, fill in the missing words.

For	have	and
come	of the	of God

Romans 3:23 NIV

FINISH THE FACES

How do you think Adam and Eve felt? Were they sad, confused, happy, or afraid?

- 1. Read the sentence below each head.
- **2.** Copy the expression from the faces at the bottom to match how Adam or Eve might have felt in each situation.

Adam liked talking to God.

Eve did not know whom to believe as she listened to the serpent.

God called for Adam and Adam tried to hide.

Eve disobeyed God and encouraged Adam to do the same.

God sent Adam and Eve out of the garden.



confused



afraid



happy



sad

Do You Know the Story Facts?

- 1. The best part of God's creation was
- 2. What was the name of the garden in which Adam and Eve lived?
- **3.** Who tricked Eve into disobeying God?
- **4.** What was Eve's punishment for her disobedience?
- 5. What was Adam's punishment?

Unit Title: Trust in Jesus

Lesson Title: How Can I Trust Jesus?

January 14, 2024

MAIN TRUTH

Jesus is the only one who has the power to save us from sin.

MAINTEXT

Romans 10:9-13; Acts 9: 1-17 MEMORY VERSE

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. **Romans 10:13 NIV**

Read the story aloud, using the following code to fill in the missing words:

 $\bf S$ is for Saul; $\bf C$ is for Christians and $\bf J$ is for Jesus.

The **C** were running for their lives. Anyone who said they believed in **J** would be beaten, put in prison or even killed. It did not matter if they were men or women. Everyone who believed in **J** would be arrested and brought back to Jerusalem.

Who would want to hurt **C**? His name was **S**. He really hated **C** and would do anything to get rid of them. Saul did not believe in **J**. He could not do his evil work by himself. He needed permission from a higher authority. He went to the high priest to get permission to go to Damascus to arrest the **C**.

S was almost in the city of Damascus when a bright light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice calling his name. The other people with him heard it, too. Everyone heard, "S, S, why are you treating Me so badly?" S asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The

voice answered, "I am J, the One you are treating so badly." S was in shock. He was trembling. J spoke again, "Get up right now and go into the city. I have someone there who will tell you what you must do."

The people with **S** were frightened too. When **S** got up from the ground, he opened his eyes and realized he could not see. He was blind. His friends took him by the hand and led him to Damascus.

For three days, S did not eat or drink. During that time, God told Ananias to help S. Ananias put his hands on S's eyes and S was able to see again. S's mind and heart were not the same again because he had put his trust in J. He would never be the same again.

Later, **S** travelled as a missionary and encouraged **C** to be bold and tell others about **J**.

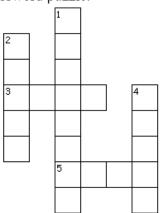
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QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Have I asked Jesus to forgive my sin and to be my Saviour, so that I may serve Him?

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After you have learned the **Memory Verse**, use a pencil or crayon to complete the crossword puzzle.



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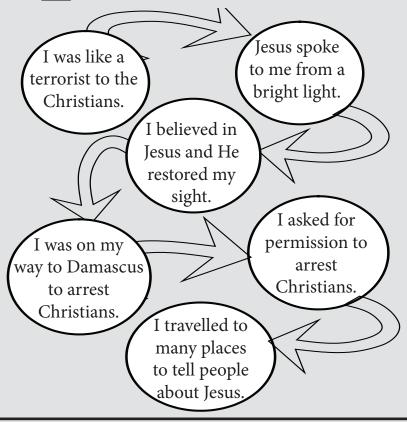
- 3. God is also our
- 5. call on the

Down

- 1. What kind of people?
- 2. Who calls on the.__?
- 4. Has Jesus__you?

THE LIFE OF SAUL

Using your least favourite colour crayon, colour the balloons which describe Saul <u>before</u> he believed in Jesus. With your favourite colour crayon, colour the balloons which describe Paul <u>after</u> he believed in Jesus.



Do You Know the Story Facts?

- 1. Why were the Christians running from Saul?
- 2. Whose voice did Saul hear after he fell to the ground?
- **3.** What happened to Saul when he fell down? How long did his condition last?
- 4. Who did God use to heal Saul?
- 5. How did Saul's life change after he believed in Jesus?

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