

2016-2017 OVERVIEW

...and Jesus grew in wisdom and stature and favor with God and man. Luke 2:52
It's in the STORY OF GOD that we discover the CHARACTER OF GOD.

MONTH

August

THEME

Weird Science
An experiment
in obedience

LIFE APPLICATION

Obedience: Trusting those who lead you by doing what you're asked to do.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Trust in your leaders. Put yourselves under their authority. Do this, because they keep watch over you."
(HEBREWS 13:17A, NIRV)

Week 1 Bible Story: The Fall (Genesis 3:1-24)

Bottom Line: I should trust and obey, even when I think my way is better.

Week 2 Bible Story: Noah (Genesis 6-8)

Bottom Line: I should trust and obey, even when others don't.

Week 3 Bible Story: Abraham Follows God (Genesis 12:1-5)

Bottom Line: I should trust and obey, even if I don't know how it will all work out.

Week 4 Bible Story: Abraham and Isaac (Genesis 18, 21-22)

Bottom Line: I should trust and obey, because there's a bigger plan.

MONTH

September

THEME

High Wire
Daring to trust

LIFE APPLICATION

Trust: Putting your confidence in someone you can depend on.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Do not depend on your own understanding."
(PROVERBS 3:5 NIRV)

Week 1 Bible Story: Joseph Sold into Slavery (Genesis 37, 39:1-2)

Bottom Line: When you think you're alone, you can trust God is with you.

Week 2 Bible Story: Joseph in Jail (Genesis 40)

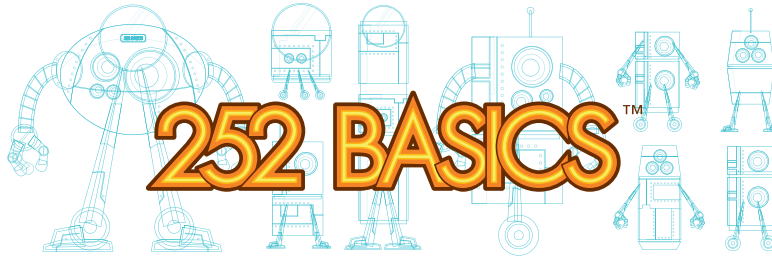
Bottom Line: When life doesn't make sense, you can trust God is with you.

Week 3 Bible Story: Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dream (Genesis 41)

Bottom Line: When the pressure is on, you can trust God is with you.

Week 4 Bible Story: Joseph Forgives His Brothers (Genesis 42-45)

Bottom Line: You can trust God no matter what.



MONTH

October

THEME

Fear Inc.

Take Your First
Step Toward
Courage

LIFE APPLICATION

Courage: Being brave enough to do what you should do, even when you're afraid.

Week 1 Bible Story: Moses in the Basket (Exodus 2:1-10)

Bottom Line: You can do what you should, even when you don't know what will happen next.

Week 2 Bible Story: Moses & the Burning Bush/Plagues (Exodus 3, 4-6:12, 7-12:42)

Bottom Line: You can do what you should even when you don't feel ready.

Week 3 Bible Story: Israelites and the Red Sea (Exodus 13:17-14:31)

Bottom Line: You can do what you should even when things seem impossible.

Week 4 Bible Story: Joshua & Caleb (Numbers 13:1-14)

Bottom Line: You can do what you should even when others are afraid.

Week 5 Bible Story: The Israelites Take Jericho (Joshua 1:9, 5:13-6:27)

Bottom Line: You can do what you should because God is with you.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Be strong and brave. Do not be afraid. Do not lose hope. I am the LORD your God. I will be with you everywhere you go."

(JOSHUA 1:9B, NIRV)

MONTH

November

THEME

Spotlight

Do You See
What I See?

LIFE APPLICATION

Honor: Letting someone know you see how valuable they really are.

Week 1 Bible Story: Samuel Anoints David (1 Samuel 16:1-13)

Bottom Line: Honor others by giving them a chance.

Week 2 Bible Story: David and Jonathan (1 Samuel 18:1-9; 19:1-7; 20:1-42)

Bottom Line: Honor others by putting them first.

Week 3 Bible Story: David and Mephibosheth (2 Samuel 9:1-13)

Bottom Line: Honor others by keeping your promises.

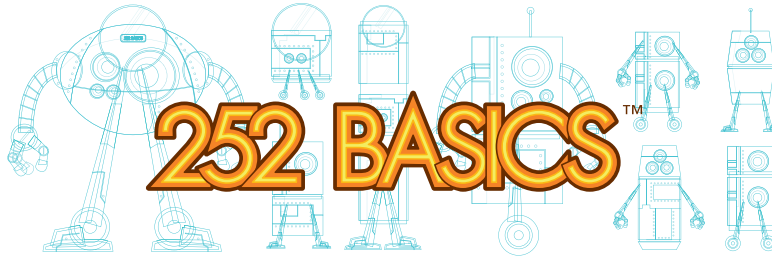
Week 4 Bible Story: David Dances Before God (2 Samuel 6:12b-22a)

Bottom Line: Honor God by giving Him credit.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Love one another deeply. Honor others more than yourselves."

(ROMANS 12:10, NIRV)



MONTH

December

THEME

Put a Bow On It

LIFE APPLICATION

Joy: Finding a way to be happy even when things don't go your way.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Always be joyful because you belong to the Lord. I will say it again. Be joyful!"

(PHILIPPIANS 4:4, NIRV)

Week 1 Bible Story: God Promises a Savior (Isaiah 9:6-7)

Bottom Line: I can have joy because God keeps His promises.

Week 2 Bible Story: Zechariah & Elizabeth (Luke 1:5-25; 57-80)

Bottom Line: I can have joy because anything is possible with God.

Week 3 Bible Story: Jesus is Born (Luke 2:1-7)

Bottom Line: I can have joy because God sent His Son.

Week 4 Bible Story: Shepherds & Angels (Luke 2:8-20)

Bottom Line: I can have joy because God's story is for everyone.