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GROW BOOKLET




A 4-day
devotional
to help kids
GROW.



Now that you have decided to follow Jesus, it is important to learn more about how to follow Him. In these pages you will find 4 days of devotions based on the mission of our church.



We want to Love Jesus and GROW kids! This means we want you to learn more about these 4 things:



GOSPEL

RELATIONSHIPS

OBEDIENCE

WORKS



This GROW devotional is just a starting point. It is important for you to keep doing things that help you GROW! These things are good next steps:



•Go to church on the weekends so you can learn from the bible teaching and your small group leaders.

•Follow Jesus' example through baptism. This shows everyone you have decided to follow Him.

•It is important to spend time each day reading your bible and praying. You can do something as simple as we will be doing in the next 4 days or even start reading through a book of the bible.

•Don't stop living for Jesus. You have to find ways to serve others and tell them about Jesus!



Each day in your devotions, you will find scripture, a quick message, a few questions to discuss and a place to write what you've learned with a prayer. Find someone older than you who loves Jesus. Ask him/her to read this with you each day and discuss what it says. It is important to have people in your life to talk to about Jesus so you can GROW. Let's get started!





GOSPEL

John 3:16 (NirV) God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life. Romans 3:22-24 (NirV) We are made right with God by putting our faith in Jesus Christ. This happens to all who believe. It is no different for the Jews than for the Gentiles. Everyone has sinned. No one measures up to God's glory. The free gift of God's grace makes us right with him. Christ Jesus paid the price to set us free.

God has done all the work to forgive us for the sin that keeps us separated from Him. While we have to accept His gift of salvation, there is really nothing we have ever done to earn it. After hearing about His amazing, huge love, you have responded by saying you want to follow Him. You are beginning to understand how Jesus took the punishment for every sin you've done or will ever do. This love God has for us should make us want to learn more and GROW our faith in Him. Because of what He has done for us we are forgiven. We know that sin separates people from God and we know God has made a way to fix the broken world through Jesus. Now we must share that Good News with others so they can find the love and forgiveness of Jesus, too!



- When did you put your faith in Jesus and decide to follow Him?**
- How is your life different or how should it be different because you follow Jesus?**
- How does your family share the Gospel with others?**



In response to what you learned today, write a prayer to God.



RELATIONSHIPS

Acts 2:42-47 (NIV) The believers studied what the apostles taught. They shared their lives together. They ate and prayed together. Everyone was amazed at what God was doing. They were amazed when the apostles performed many wonders and signs. All the believers were together. They shared everything they had. They sold property and other things they owned. They gave to anyone who needed something. Every day they met together in the temple courtyard. They ate meals together in their homes. Their hearts were glad and sincere. They praised God. They were respected by all the people. Every day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved.

All through the Bible we see people spending time together. It must be really important to God for us to have family and friends around us. We can learn a lot from our parents. Teachers and small group leaders can help us make wise choices. It is important to have friends, too! Some friends know about God's love, so they can pray with you when you are sad or afraid and they can celebrate with you on your best days. Friends that don't know about Jesus need to learn about his great big love from you. It is important to follow the example of the apostles. They loved and helped people everywhere they went. Their words and actions helped people learn to follow Jesus. Relationships are very important. From the very beginning, God made us to spend time with Him and other people. It is great to know we don't have to live life alone.



- **When does your family spend time with other people who love Jesus?**
- **How does your family help people in need?**
- **If someone saw how you treated your friends and family, would they respect you and your actions?**



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OBEDIENCE

John 14:15-17 & 21a (NIV) "If you love me, obey my commands. I will ask the Father. And he will give you another friend to help you and to be with you forever. That friend is the Spirit of truth. The world can't accept him. That's because the world does not see him or know him. But you know him. He lives with you, and he will be in you...Anyone who has my commands and obeys them loves me."

The Bible says we show love to God by obeying Him. Sometimes it can seem easy to obey things like not stealing cars, especially when you can't drive! There can also be times where it is really hard to obey God. Like when we tell a little lie to someone or don't stand up for a friend who is being made fun of. It is normal for these things to happen in life, but it's hard to think they hold back our love from God. The good news is God has sent us a Helper. When we don't know what to do or don't feel we have the courage to stand up and obey, God's Holy Spirit will help. If you feel yourself starting to do something you know is disobeying God, pray and ask for help. The Bible says His Spirit lives with you and He will help you obey God's commands. If God says that obedience shows love, then we must learn it is important to obey.



- When is it hard for you to obey?**
- Why do you think God has given us rules to follow?**
- What are some ways you need to show obedience to God in your life?**



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WORKS

Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV) So you must go and make disciples of all nations. Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And you can be sure that I am always with you, to the very end.”
Matthew 5:14-16 (NIV) “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill can’t be hidden. Also, people do not light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand. Then it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine so others can see it. Then they will see the good things you do. And they will bring glory to your Father who is in heaven.

God has given us amazing love and forgiveness! How did you learn about Him? Someone who loves God and follows Him had to be the first person to tell you about Him. It is part of the Christian life to do good works and share God’s love with other people. If you know something great, don’t you want to tell everyone? There is no better story to tell than God’s story. So, now that you know it, you have to tell it! You can share God’s love by how you act at school and by inviting friends to church. The bible says we need to shine like a bright light. This means people should see something different about how you live your life because you know Jesus. When they notice, you have the chance to tell them how much God loves them and how he sent Jesus to forgive them! Do not hide God’s love, shine bright for Him everywhere you go!



- How does your life shine for Jesus?**
- What would you say to someone if they asked you how to become a Christian?**
- Who do you need to tell about God’s love for them?**



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