

Grace Christian Academy
Course Description

Course Title: Preschool Bible
Course Length: Full Year

Class Meeting (per week): Daily
Curriculum: The Beginners Bible
Zondervan Publishing

General Course Description: This course teaches that God is our creator and father. He sent his son Jesus to be our savior and the Holy Spirit to be our helper. During this course, children will receive instruction in prayer, worship and Christian values.

Biblical Principles:

Children will receive instruction through scriptures concerning the awesome love God has for His people. The children will sing songs of worship to the Lord with their teachers and classmates. The learning of scripture and experience of praising the Lord will shine through students as they work and play with others. (Psalms 66:1-2), (Psalms 34:1-3), (1 John 4:7-8) Children will receive instruction that Jesus is God's son and was sent as a Savior of the World. (1John 4:14), (Matt 3:17), (John 3:16)

General Course Content:

1st Quarter:

Who is God?	Jacob's dream
Who is Jesus	Joseph and his coat
Creation	Joseph in Egypt
Adam & Eve	Life of Moses
The fall of man	Israelites in the Wilderness
Noah & the Ark	10 Commandments
Tower of Babel	Balaam
Abraham & Sara	Battle of Jericho
Isaac	Samson
Jacob & Esau	Ruth

2nd Quarter:

Hannah	Josiah
Samuel as a child	Daniel
King Saul	Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego
David & Goliath	Jonah
King David	Mary and Joseph
Solomon	Birth of Jesus
Elijah	Good News to Shepherds
Elisha	The Three Kings
Namaan	Simeon and Anna
Thankfulness to God; Our God	Zechariah and Elizabeth
Provider	Jesus in the Temple

3rd Quarter:

John the Baptist
Jesus & John the Baptist

Jesus begins his ministry
 Twelve Disciples
 Miracles of Jesus
 Parables of Jesus

4th Quarter:

Jesus heals Bartimaeus	Pentecost
Jesus & Zacchaeus	Peter, John the beggar
The widow's coin	Saul's conversion
Jesus heals the man at the pool	The door to heaven
Mary's perfume	The Trinity
Palm Sunday	Characteristics of God
The last supper, Jesus washes the disciples' feet	
Jesus Arrested	
The crucifixion and resurrection	
Jesus breakfast with disciples	
Jesus goes to heaven	
What is Faith?	
Prayer	
Christ-like behavior: Manners, Obedience, Fruit of the spirit	
Heaven and Angels	

Related Student Objectives/Learner Outcomes:

The student will learn:

1. To participate in Bible time
2. To apply Bible teaching in daily life
3. To pray readily
4. To recite simple Scripture
5. To communicate that God is always with them
6. To communicate that God is their Father
7. To communicate that Jesus is our special friend.
8. To give an oral account of creation, giving God the glory as our creator.
9. To demonstrate the Lord loves his people and creation; will always provide safety for them.
10. To understand that God hears what is in our hearts.
11. To tell about Abraham & Sara looking like a Grandpa & Grandma, not a mommy & daddy
12. That nothing is too hard for God.
13. That family was God's idea.
14. That God never leaves us, He has a plan for our lives and he will always provide for us.
15. Re-count the story of Moses and thank God for his great love and provision.
16. That God gives us rules to obey even grown-ups.
17. That when we obey God, (even when it doesn't make sense) anything is possible.

Presentation Methods:

- Lessons from the Beginner's Bible
- Bible Picture Books to support lesson
- Prayer time to summarize and support the lesson.
- Bible/worship songs with finger plays and actions

Evaluating and Grading Methods:

- Teacher Observation
- Student application of what they learned when interacting with their peers.
- Student ability to recite memory verses.
- Spiritual Growth Assessments (twice yearly)
- Grading Scale as follows:

E = Exceeds Expectations	+ = Commendable
M = Meets Expectations	√ = Acceptable
N = Needs Further Development	- = Area of Concern

Special Activities:

- Finger Plays
- Videos
- Drama (Performed by students)