

For: **Families with Infants, Toddlers, Preschoolers, & Elementary-Aged Children.**

An opportunity to engage in **Scripture Memory** together and
Earn credit towards Family or Student Camps!

*(Credit may be used for Family Camps, Youth Camps, Grand Day Out,
Homeschool Adventure Camp, and/or Winter Family Camp.)*

Hello, families.

We want to invite you into the rich practice of memorizing Scripture as a family.

The goal is not flawless recitation, but spiritual formation. As such, we want to provide ways for all family members – of all ages and developmental stages – to engage with Scripture, hearing and learning truths that can guide and shape our lives. *We even have ideas for Scripture activities with infants.*

The following 10 verses are taken from our various Children’s Ministries programs this year. Depending on your family’s level of involvement, they may already be familiar to you and/or your children.

Each child in your family has the opportunity to earn camp credit to be used for any event at Inspiration Point (Youth Camps, Family Weekends, Grand Day Out, Homeschool Outdoor Adventure, and/or Winter Family Camp). **We offer \$12 per verse for a total of \$120 camp credit per child – infants and toddlers included!**

Instructions:

- When your child recites a verse from memory, **record the date.**
- You **choose the version** provided that best fits your child’s development.
 - We want to stretch to the point of growth, but not to the point of frustration.
 - It’s okay to choose the full verse sometimes and the paraphrase others.
- Once your child has recited a verse on *two different dates*, **sign the box** to the right of the dates.
(They just earned \$12 of camp credit!)
- Each child can do **any number of verses** – you do not need to complete them all.
- **If your child is not yet verbal**, nor able to do the hand motions for the verses, YOU get the credit on behalf of your child by memorizing the verse and engaging your child as you say it: look in their eyes as you recite the truth from Scripture, or hold them close and say the verse as a prayer over them. Enjoy the verses together in the car, or in quiet moments before bed. You may be surprised at how much they retain and anticipate!

Tips for retaining and exploring the Scripture verses:

- **Hand motions** for most of the verses are attached. (Most of the time, these are hand motions that came with the curriculum.)
- **Music** is a wonderful way to memorize and/or explore the concepts of Scripture. In some cases, we have listed a song that the kids have learned on Wednesday nights. Feel free to find the You Tube videos or add them to your playlists.
- *Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing* is a wonderful **picture book devotional** written by Sally Lloyd Jones. (We have several copies available for checkout in our Family Resource Center.) Page numbers are listed for entries related to some of the verses.

We want your child to have his/her own copy of the Bible. When children enter 2nd grade and are establishing themselves as independent readers, we typically give them a copy of *The Adventure Bible* (NIrV). In 4th grade, we give them a copy of the *Action Bible Graphic Novel*. If your child has not received these, please let me know – I would love to give one to you!

We also want every family to have a copy of the *Jesus Storybook Bible*. These are typically given on the occasion of a child's baptism and are always made available during Advent and Lent. If you do not yet have a copy, please let me know!

Please note: Camp Credit may only be used for events at Inspiration Point, are non-transferable, and do not carry over to the next calendar year. (In other words, camp credit earned this spring is only available to you through the 2024 calendar year.) For information about building your Family Funding Account with funds that DO carry over and that can be applied to any spiritual formation experience, please see the document, *Using Scrip to Pay for Spiritual Formation Experiences* attached at the back.

Enjoy your adventure exploring Scripture together! Know that many of us hold you in prayer before the throne of God.

In Him,

Dorie, Director of Children's Ministries, on behalf of the church leadership & staff

Verse		Toddler/Preschool Paraphrase		Resources/ Signature
<p>“But whoever loves God is known by God.” —I Corinthians 8:3</p>		<p>“But whoever loves God is known by God.” TODDLER: “God knows us.”</p>		<p>Hand motions attached. <i>Wherever I Go</i>, song by Ellie Holcomb <i>All My Ways Are Known to You</i>, song by City Alight <i>Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing</i>, by Sally Lloyd Jones, pp. 113</p>
Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Adult signature:
<p>“He remembers his covenant forever, the promises he made, for a thousand generations.” —1 Chronicles 16:15</p>		<p>“God keeps His promises forever.” —from 1 Chronicles 16:15</p>		<p>Hand motions attached. <i>Fear Not</i>, song by Ellie Holcomb <i>He Will</i>, song by Ellie Holcomb</p>
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<p>“Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted in the earth. The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.” —Psalm 46:10-11</p>		<p>“Be still and know that I am God.” —Psalm 46:10</p>		<p>Hand motions attached. <i>My God Is All I Need</i>, song by City Alight <i>Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing</i>, by Sally Lloyd Jones, p. 77, 133</p>
Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Adult signature:
<p>“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel.” —Isaiah 7:14</p>		<p>“He will be called Immanuel.” —from Isaiah 7:14 (NIrV)</p>		<p>Hand motions attached. <i>Sounding Joy</i>, song by Ellie Holcomb <i>Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing</i>, by Sally Lloyd Jones, p. 31</p>
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<p>“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind”; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” —Luke 10:27</p>		<p>“Love the Lord your God with all your heart.” —Luke 10:27 (NIrV)</p>		<p>Hand motions attached.</p>
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<p>“He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.” —Titus 3:5</p>		<p>“Jesus forgives our sins, saves us, and gives us new life.” —from Titus 3:5</p>		<p>Hand motions attached. <i>Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing</i>, by Sally Lloyd Jones, pp. 126-7</p>
Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Adult signature:
<p>“I am the Alpha and the Omega,’ says the Lord God, ‘Who is and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.’” —Revelation 1:8</p>		<p>God says: “I am the Alpha and the Omega.” —from Revelation 1:8</p>		<p>Hand motions attached. <i>Great I Am & Our Shepherd</i>, from Encounter With Chad playlist on Bethesda’s You Tube channel</p>
Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Date Recited:	Adult signature:
<p>“Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One. I was dead, and now look, I am alive forever and ever!” —Revelation 1:17b + 18a</p>		<p>“Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last.” —Revelation 1:17</p>		<p><i>Do Not Fear</i>, song by Ellie Holcomb <i>Our Shepherd</i>, from Encounter With Chad playlist on Bethesda’s You Tube channel <i>Thoughts to Make Your Heart Sing</i>, by Sally Lloyd Jones, pp. 172-3, 176</p>
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“Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.” —Revelation 3:22		“Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.” —Revelation 3:22		
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“After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the lamb.” —Revelation 7:9a		“People from every nation and language worshipped the lamb.” —from Revelation 7:9		<i>Our Shepherd</i> , from Encounter With Chad playlist on Bethesda’s You Tube channel <i>God of All Nations</i> , song by Ellie Holcomb
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Hand Motions:

1 Corinthians 8:3:

- **BUT WHOEVER**—*Spread one arm out in front of you, palm up, toward others in the room.*
- **LOVES**—*Put your hands over your heart.*
- **GOD**—*Point up.*
- **IS KNOWN**—*Point to your head.*
- **BY GOD.**—*Point up.*
- **1 CORINTHIANS 8:3**—*Open your hands in front of you, like opening a book.*

1 Chronicles 16:15:

- **He remembers**—*Point to head.*
- **his covenant**—*Hands together, palms up, like a book.*
- **forever,**—*Arms open wide out to sides.*
- **the promise**—*Hands together, palms up, like a book.*

- **he made,**—*Point up.*
- **for a thousand generations.**—*Point quickly to all the people in the room.*
- **1 Chronicles 16:15 (NIV)**—*Shout out the passage.*

TODDLER VERSION:

- **GOD**—*Point index fingers to the sky.*
- **KEEPS**—*Spread your right hand out before you from left to right.*
- **HIS PROMISES**—*Place an index finger on lips. Move hand downward and open palm.*
- **FOREVER.**—*Draw large circles in the air with index finger.*
- **1 CHRONICLES 16:15**—*Open your hands in front of you, like opening a book.*

Psalm 46:10

- **BE STILL**—Open palms facing down. Move palms downward at the same time.
- **AND KNOW**—Point to your head.
- **THAT I AM GOD.**—Point up.
- **PSALM 46:10**—Hold your hands open in front of you, as if opening a book.

Isaiah 7:14 (NirV):

- **HE WILL BE**—*Point up.*
- **CALLED**—*Cup hands around mouth.*
- **IMMANUEL.**—*Make prayer hands (with palms pressed together).*
- **ISAIAH 7:14**—*Hold your hands in front of you with palms together, as if opening a book.*

Luke 10:27 (paraphrase):

- **LOVE**—Give yourself a hug.
- **THE LORD YOUR GOD**—Point up.
- **WITH ALL YOUR HEART.**—Put your hands over your heart.
- **LUKE 10:27a**—Open your hands in front of you, like opening a book.

Titus 3:5

- **JESUS**—Point up.
- **FORGIVES OUR SINS**—Wipe one palm across the other as if “erasing”
- **SAVES US.**—Arms out to side (make a cross).
- **AND GIVES US**—Hold your hands in front of you as if receiving something.
- **NEW LIFE**—Bring your arms up and out to your sides.
- **FROM TITUS 3:5**—Open your hands in front of you, like opening a book.

Revelation 1:8

- **I AM THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA**—Open palms to left and right
- **SAYS THE LORD GOD**—Point up.
- **WHO IS**—Two hands in front of you, palms turned in and pointing down.
- **WHO WAS**—Thumbs pointing over shoulders
- **WHO IS TO COME**—pointer fingers pointing ahead
- **THE ALMIGHTY**—dominant hand circles non-dominant hand in front of chest; both fists pull down in front of shoulder
- **REVELATION 1:8**—Open your hands in front of you, like opening a book.