

"WHERE DO I START?" FOR TEACHERS

CONGRATULATIONS ON PURCHASING THE "GETTING TO KNOW JESUS" SUNDAY SCHOOL CURRICULUM!

If you are reading this, I know that you have a passion to teach children truth from God's Word and introduce them to the saving gospel of Jesus Christ. You long to help your students develop a personal relationship with Jesus as their Lord and Savior. I'm so thankful you have this passion!

But, **I'm guessing that you are also super busy.** That's why I wanted to create a resource that you can quickly pull together (even if you are running late on a Saturday night or a Sunday morning) that is still Bible centered in every aspect. This Bible curriculum will challenge your students to think deeply about Bible truths while also having fun with games and crafts.

Here's how it works:

As you prepare each week, **start with the "Lesson" link.** This will tell you what you need to do to prepare for the lesson, what materials you will need, and give you a suggested lesson order. You will also find the actual lesson under this link which you can read or paraphrase as desired for your class lesson time.

The **"Activity Pages" link will bring up two or three different activity pages.** These pages offer you a choice so that you can tailor the lesson to fit your students' needs. If you are teaching a wide range of ages, you may choose to use more than one activity page for the different students in your class.

Bible memory is a huge part of this Sunday School curriculum. Because of that, different Bible verse memory games are offered each week to help your students have fun while memorizing Bible verses. **Under the "Bible Verse Game" link, you will find any printables and game instructions needed to play the verse game for that lesson.**

Every lesson includes an active game to help your students review and apply the lesson that they heard, as well as reviewing previous lessons. You will find instructions on how to play the games and question pages under the games link below each lesson.

To finish up your class time, **each lesson includes a craft idea that your students can make and take home.** More than just "busy work", these crafts continue to reinforce the ideas learned in the lesson. Many of the crafts require only crayons, tape, and a printable, but they still turn out super cute - Easy for you to prepare and fun for your students to make and play with!

Finally, each lesson includes a **"Take Home Bible Reading Page"** that encourages your students and their families to continue reviewing the lesson, memorizing the memory verses, and reading the Bible together. This daily review is written to help your students truly learn and apply God's Word to their lives and hearts while also developing a habit of daily Bible reading. I am confident that learning to consistently read the Bible from a young age can change your students' lives. To use these pages, **print the two pages on one piece of paper (double sided), then fold in half so that the first day shows up on the front of the fold.**

To save you even more time and help you prepare, you will find a **materials list by lesson** link at the top of the download page. This list will give you a peak ahead and help make sure you have everything you need on hand as you teach. I have tried my hardest to select only materials that are common and easily found. I hope that you will even have most of the materials lying around your house.

There is also an **attendance cards** link. This PDF is meant to be printed double sided. **These attendance cards give you a place to record your students' attendance, whether they brought their Bible to Sunday School, whether they were able to say their memory verse, and whether they completed the take home page.** These are super helpful if you decide to hand out "awards" or have a "store" in lesson nine to reward the kids for their hard work. The opposite side of the card is a great place to record important allergy and emergency information.

Finally, you will see a link to the **Bible Memory Verse Cards Set.** This set is designed to be printed, cut apart, and laminated or covered with contact paper, if desired. You could also print the cards on cardstock to make them more durable. I like to hole punch the cards and give each student a single binder clip with the first card they receive. Then, each week they will get a new memory verse card to add to their binder clip. I have been surprised at how much my own students have enjoyed using these simple cards to review their Bible verses.

Just as a reminder, **if you purchased this set, you have the right to make as many copies as needed for your individual classroom (if at a Christian school) or for your local church.** If you are teaching an after school Bible club or anything like that, you have the right to make copies for everyone in your immediate club. You cannot distribute this curriculum to other churches, schools, or multiple Bible clubs. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask me at annajoylowell@gmail.com . And, if you know of any other churches or teachers that would like to purchase, please refer them to NarrowGatePrints.com .

Again, **if you have any questions or feedback or see anything that I can do better, please contact me at annajoylowell@gmail.com.** I would love to hear from you.

May God bless you as you share His magnificent plan of salvation with your precious students!

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