

Adventurers with Jesus 2Q 2017 Online Activities

Lesson 1

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 5.

Bible Quiz: Word Search

Find all the following words in the word search puzzle: *blessing, broken, comfort, direction, fearless, follow, freedom, obedience, promise, Protector, psalm, Shepherd*

L L Q E B D B Q W D L J
T R O F M O C K R I W B
S S D P N S D B E R S L
M O D E E R F X I E H E
R O T C E T O R P C E S
F P Z W O L L O F T P S
P S A L M F U N N I H I
N E K O R B B X K O E N
O B E D I E N C E N R G
E S I M O R P M N U D G
S S E L R A E F L B A I
L Z S Y U P E Z L K T K

'NET Check: TRUSTING GOD

What does it mean to “trust” someone? Trust, according to the dictionary, is when you have confident expectations in something. There’s no doubt in your mind that the person will fulfill whatever they’ve promised you; you’re confident in their reliability and capability. So how do we apply that definition to trusting God? Trusting God and having faith in Him means that we know He will come through for us on whatever He has promised. In the Bible, we can read hundreds of promises that He has made, and He has never broken a single one. He is trustworthy. He is capable of anything. There is nothing that is impossible for our Lord—isn’t that an incredible thought? Since we have complete confidence in His abilities and know that He has never broken a promise, we have no reason not to trust God entirely.

Lesson 2

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 10.

Bible Quiz: Short Answer Questions

Answer the following questions:

1. Why did Nicodemus visit Jesus at night?

2. What does it mean to be born again?

3. How do we get to heaven?

4. What are some ways that we can live like Christ?

5. What do you think of when you think about heaven?

'NET Check: THE PHARISEES

We meet the Pharisees at various times during the New Testament. They were a group of religious leaders for the Jews. They were taught to obey all the commands that Moses listed in the Old Testament, and they took great pride in their obedience. However, this pride often went to their heads and they believed they were better than other Jews. They thought obeying the rules was more important than loving others and treating them well. They often got into arguments with Jesus because He taught love first and rules second. The Pharisees didn't want to believe that because it took away all their learning and self-importance, so they refused to accept He was the Son of God. Jesus called the Pharisees hypocrites on more than one occasion because of their legalistic ways. They'd pick and choose which laws they wanted to obey, and then condemn others for not obeying all the rules.

Lesson 3

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 14.

Bible Quiz: Multiple Choice

Underline the word that makes the sentence true.

1. When we accept Jesus' salvation, we are given (temporary, eternal, no) life.
2. On the third day, (Bethany, Martha, Mary) went to visit Jesus' tomb.
3. Jesus has (defeated, prolonged, rebuked) death through His resurrection.
4. The only way that death isn't the end is through (good works, Jesus, going to church).
5. (Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter) is when we celebrate the resurrection.

'NET Check: MARY MAGDALENE

Mary Magdalene is one of the key female followers of Jesus during His time on earth. She is considered one of His disciples. The Bible doesn't give us a history of her background and family ties, though she is widely thought to be the same woman from whom seven demons were cast out (see Luke 8:2). We can assume she wasn't married because she spent so much time following Jesus on His travels. She was present during His trial and crucifixion. She stayed even after the other disciples had scattered and waited, suffering along with Jesus, until He died. Mary Magdalene is also noted as one of the women who went to visit Jesus' tomb after He had been buried. She was the first person that Jesus appeared to after His resurrection. That would have been counter-cultural at the time, because it was such a male-dominated society. Yet Jesus chose to reveal His miraculous resurrection to a woman before His other disciples. This implies that she was a worthy disciple who truly loved the Lord with all her heart.

Lesson 4

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 18.

Bible Quiz: Matching

Match the first half of the sentence with the correct second half of the sentence.

Column A

1. God sent Jesus to die
2. Reconciliation means
3. Paul tells us that
4. Jesus intercedes for us
5. Jesus is meant to be shared with

Column B

- a. nothing can separate us from God's love.
- b. by speaking to God on our behalf.
- c. to return to good standing with God.
- d. everyone.
- e. to save us from our sins.

'NET Check: RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is a big word. Do you know what it means? It's basically the idea that people can be on friendly terms again after some kind of rift or wrongdoing. Perhaps you and a friend got into a fight about something, or your sibling isn't speaking to you because of some issue. If you were to resolve your issues and resume your agreeable attitude with your sibling or begin hanging out with that friend again, your relationship would be reconciled. Jesus wants us to be reconciled with God. Sin is what separates us from Him. God is holy and perfect, and cannot directly be where sin is. When we choose to live sinful lives, we separate ourselves from God. But when we choose to repent of our sins and live in God's ways, then our relationship with Him has been reconciled. This reconciliation was made possible when Jesus died on the cross for our sins.

Lesson 5

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 22.

Bible Quiz: Word Search

Find all the following words in the word search puzzle: *bandit, Father, flock, gate, language, love, metaphor, resurrect, righteous, sheep, shepherd, stranger*

O D E R M N A S L S B M
I W V T E E C B I Y A R
V C Z E A S T V Q L N E
Q V V U P G U A T F D H
A O F A H K J R P D I T
L O R W G G D H R H T A
R I G H T E O U S E O F
W C S G J Y N S D A C R
D R E H P E H S H G E T
E G A U G N A L Z E I U
F L O C K H S G B K E N
P A Z R E G N A R T S P

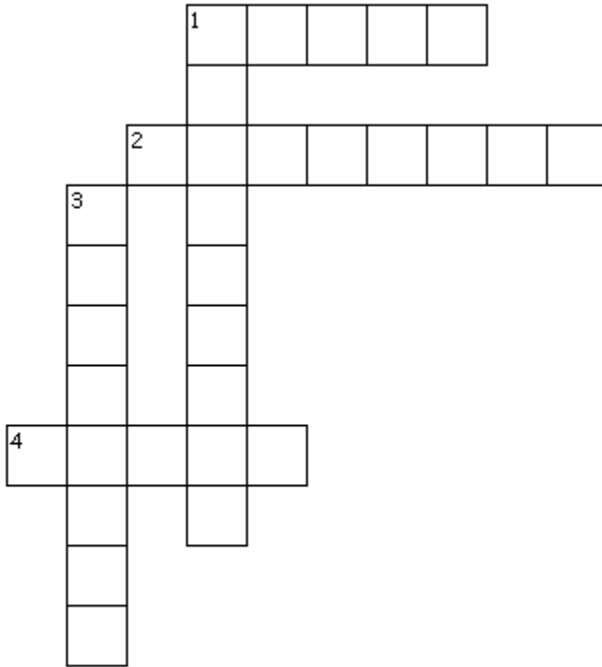
'NET Check: THE GOOD SHEPHERD

In today's passage, Jesus explained that He was like a shepherd to us, His sheep. Why does He compare Himself to a shepherd? Because, like us, sheep need a lot of guidance because they are easily led astray. They can get lost, they cannot defend themselves, and they cannot provide for themselves. In the same way, we cannot provide for ourselves either. Jesus has to supply our every need, including the air we breathe and the world we live in. He is our Protector from harm and He leads us in His righteous ways. He is trustworthy and we know His voice. There's no reason to hesitate in following His commands, or to second guess His intentions. He always has our best interests at heart.

Lesson 6

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 26.

Bible Quiz: Crossword Puzzle



Across

1. A tool used to show God's power
2. A city in the opposite direction of Nineveh
4. The number of days and nights Jonah was in the belly of the big fish

Down

1. The big fish did this to Jonah
3. Jonah was told to do this in Nineveh

'NET Check: NINEVEH

Nineveh was the wicked city in which Jonah did not want to prophesy. He had probably heard stories about the wrongdoings that happened there, and wanted to stay far away from it. Jonah was a Hebrew. He was set apart from the Ninevites, and perhaps he thought he was better than them. He was above them, so he couldn't possibly be bothered to go tell them about God. It was fine with him if the

Ninevites wanted to continue in their destructive, selfish ways. However, it was not fine with God. God loves everybody, and was disappointed in Jonah's reaction to the Ninevites' situation. Jonah was supposed to be His messenger, and that meant delivering messages to all of God's people, not just the ones of whom Jonah approved. Once the Ninevites heard about God's wrath, they were quick to leave their evil habits, ask for forgiveness, and participate in a city-wide fast. All they needed was the opportunity to hear about God's love and they were immediately repentant.

Lesson 7

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 30.

Bible Quiz: True or False

Write the letter T if the statement is true or the letter F if the statement is false.

- ___ 1. We can always go to God when we're distressed.
- ___ 2. The structure of this passage is like a poem.
- ___ 3. Jonah prayed for some food.
- ___ 4. Jonah decided to recommit his life to the Lord.
- ___ 5. It's better to do things our way instead of God's way.

'NET Check: PRAYER

Prayer is very important in the daily life of a Christian. It is what keeps us in constant communication with the Father. Jesus told us that we are to be like branches on the vine, meaning that we draw our strength and life from Him. We accomplish this through prayer and spending one-on-one time with the Lord. We can tell Him our troubles, ask for guidance, give Him our prayer requests, praise Him for His blessings, and thank Him for His faithfulness. You can do it at any point of the day, anywhere. Paul even tells us that we should pray "without ceasing," meaning to never stop. There's no better way to begin the day than by waking up with God and no better way to end it than by thanking Him for the day you just had. How can you improve your prayer life this week?

Lesson 8

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 34.

Bible Quiz: Multiple Choice

Underline the word(s) that make the sentence true.

1. The Ninevites worshiped (God, idols, Jonah).
2. The people (listened to, ignored, didn't hear) Jonah's message from God.
3. The king declared a city-wide (vigil, man-hunt, fast).
4. (Jonah, God, the idols) forgave the people of Nineveh.
5. As Christians, we should respond with (forgiveness, hate, anger) and love to others.

'NET Check: FORGIVENESS

When we do something wrong, it's called a sin. The Bible is very clear on what actions are sinful and deserve God's punishment. Whenever we do wrong, we're supposed to apologize for our wrongful action and then ask for forgiveness. We do this with the person we've wronged, and we also do this with God. It's very important to receive forgiveness from God because His forgiveness is the only one that matters. In the Bible, we see that the punishment for sin is death. But God doesn't want any of us to die or be punished. That's why we ask for forgiveness. He wipes away our dirty sin and gives us a fresh start. Through His forgiveness, we have been cleaned and purified. Because He loves and forgives us willingly, as Christians, we should love and forgive others willingly as well.

Lesson 9

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 38.

Bible Quiz: Short Answer Questions

Answer the following questions:

1. Why was Jonah angry with God?

2. What does it mean to be compassionate?

3. How would you react at the end of the story if you were Jonah?

4. What lessons can we learn from the story of Jonah?

5. What people are like the Ninevites in your life? How can you show Jesus' love and mercy to them?

'NET Check: COMPASSION

Compassion is when you take pity on someone who is struggling, is sick, or is hurting in some way, and you try to help them. In the story of Jonah, the prophet did not have compassion on the Ninevites. He thought they deserved to be punished and shouldn't receive a second chance. Jonah forgot that God had given him a second chance when the big fish spat him back out of the sea, and did not want to show the same mercy to the people of Nineveh. He was more concerned about himself and his own comfort. Even though Jonah was being undeserving, God still showed him further mercy and compassion by growing a tree to keep him cool in the desert heat. This is how God loves us too. When we are at our worst and lowest, He will still treat us with grace and unwavering love. Since God has been so merciful to us, we are to be merciful and compassionate toward others.

Lesson 10

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 42.

Bible Quiz: Word Search

Find the following words in the word search puzzle: *accomplish, Barak, courageous, Deborah, friendship, impossible, Israelites, judge, leadership, prophetess, supportive, together*

E L S F H L K M S Q C I
G W S R A E A W U R O S
D Y E I R A R Y P E U R
U B T E O D A K P H R A
J Q E N B E B O O T A E
Q W H D E R U K R E G L
E X P S D S V F T G E I
H B O H A H V A I O O T
P T R I A I M S V T U E
O A P P O P M L E D S S
A C C O M P L I S H C K
K F I M P O S S I B L E

'NET Check: FRIENDSHIP

Friendship is important to God. He created us to be relational creatures; that means that we're meant to be together and commune with one another. Back in Genesis, when Adam was by himself, God knew that it wasn't right for him to be alone. God knew that Adam needed a partner. When God created Eve, it was the first relationship. Ever since then, we've thrived on our relationships with our family and friends. Do you know why? Because God desires a relationship with us. We're relational because He is. Through our relationships with others, we get a better picture of the relationship that God wants with us. The more we see Him and His love, the better friends and family members we can become toward those around us. It's a beautiful thing when we recognize the importance of friendship and how God has designed it to be a picture of His love for us.

Lesson 11

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 46.

Bible Quiz: Matching

Match the first half of the sentence with the correct second half of the sentence.

Column A

1. When God is with us,
2. Gideon had his doubts,
3. God would make Gideon
4. When we want to be sure of God's plan,
5. It's up to us to

Column B

- a. but God had a plan.
- b. He will give us confirmation.
- c. nothing can stop us.
- d. accept or reject God's plan.
- e. a mighty warrior.

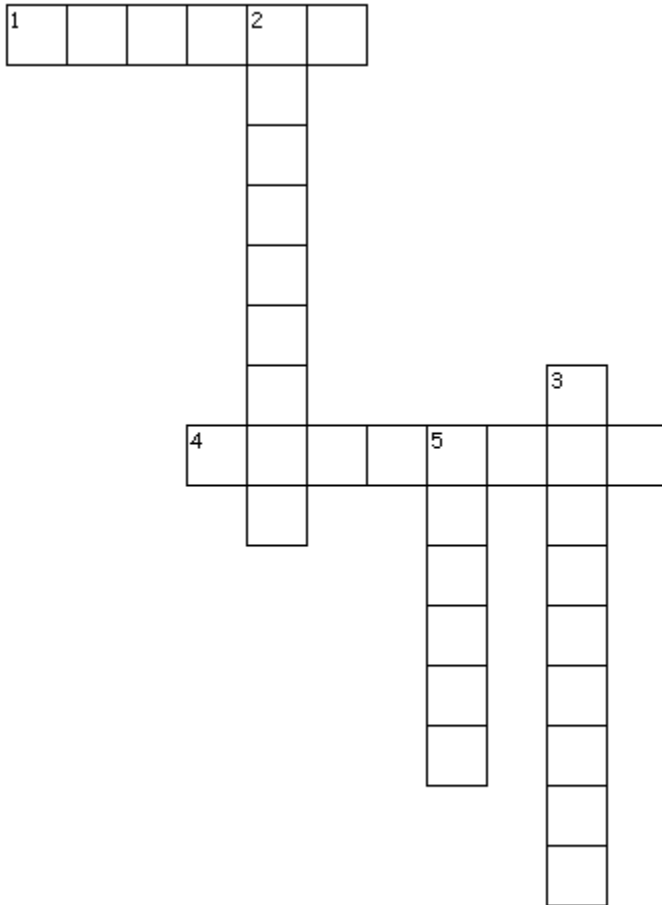
'NET Check: CALLINGS

Everybody has a different purpose in their lives. God has created us as individuals to accomplish different tasks for His Kingdom. If we were all the same, we would be like mindless robots. Instead, we have unique gifts, passions, and talents. God wouldn't have given us these gifts if He didn't want us to use them. A calling is whatever task God has for you to do. In this quarter, we've been learning about different callings in the Bible. Some people were called to be God's messengers, or prophets. Some women were called to give birth to special children, like Elizabeth the mother of John the Baptist, and Mary the mother of Jesus. God is still calling people today. He calls people to be pastors, teachers, doctors, chefs, parents, and lots of other important things. It doesn't matter what your profession is; God can use you for His Kingdom in any situation if you allow Him to work through you.

Lesson 12

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 50.

Bible Quiz: Crossword Puzzle



Across

1. The town that Jephthah ran away from
4. A leader of Gilead

Down

2. The army threatening Israel
3. What Jephthah promised, but shouldn't have
5. Our potential comes from this

'NET Check: LEADERSHIP

There are many examples of leadership roles in the Bible. We see that God appointed judges and kings to rule over the Israelites and guide them in godly ways. Rabbis and religious leaders were responsible for the instruction of the Scriptures to the people. We see that strong leaders who believed in God were successful. The weak leaders, who gave in to the culture around them and ways of the pagans, suffered, and the people were taken captive by their enemies. It's a responsibility when God calls you to be a leader. It's not an easy task, but it is a noble one. Being a leader doesn't always mean being the boss. You can lead your siblings in godly behavior by setting a good example. You can lead your friends to Christ by inviting them to church with you and praying for them. What other leadership roles can you think of to implement this week?

Lesson 13

The quiz and 'NET Check are based on topics found in Today's Lesson Story on page 54.

Bible Quiz: True or False

Write the letter T if the statement is true or the letter F if the statement is false.

- ___ 1. Manoah and his wife had lots of children.
- ___ 2. Christians should be set apart from the world.
- ___ 3. Samson's mother also followed the Nazirite lifestyle restrictions.
- ___ 4. The Spirit of the Lord left Samson.
- ___ 5. God chose Samson after he was born.

'NET Check: SAMSON

Samson was born to Manoah and his barren wife. It was considered a miracle because God made the impossible possible. Samson was raised as a Nazirite, which meant he had to follow certain rules: he couldn't cut his hair, drink alcohol, or eat certain foods. He was known for his incredible strength. But when Samson was old enough, he stopped following the restrictions. He enjoyed partying and he married a woman outside of his chosen circle. Later, he became involved with the infamous Delilah. She was working for the Israelites' enemies, the Philistines, and wanted to know the secret to his super strength. After a series of tricks, he finally confessed: his long hair. Delilah cut his hair, and the Nazirite covenant was broken. Though he had fallen off track, Samson would ultimately redeem himself before the Israelite people and God when, with his dying act, he killed a great number of the Philistine enemies. Learn more in Judges 13–16.

****Answers****

Lesson 1

L L Q E B D B Q W D L J
T R O F M O C K R I W B
S S D P N S D B E R S L
M O D E E R F X I E H E
R O T C E T O R P C E S
F P Z W O L L O F T P S
P S A L M F U N N I H I
N E K O R B B X K O E N
O B E D I E N C E N R G
E S I M O R P M N U D G
S S E L R A E F L B A I
L Z S Y U P E Z L K T K

Lesson 2

Answers will vary.

Lesson 3

1. eternal 2. Mary 3. defeated 4. Jesus 5. Easter

Lesson 4

1. e 2. c 3. a 4. b 5. d

Lesson 5

O D E R M N A S L S B M
I W V T E E C B I Y A R
V C Z E A S T V Q L N E
Q V V U P G U A T F D H
A O F A H K J R P D I T
L O R W G G D H R H T A
R I G H T E O U S E O F
W C S G J Y N S D A C R
D R E H P E H S H G E T
E G A U G N A L Z E I U
F L O C K H S G B K E N
P A Z R E G N A R T S P

Lesson 6

Across

1. storm
2. Tarshish
4. three

Down

1. swallowed
3. prophesy

Lesson 7

1. T 2. T 3. F 4. T 5. F

Lesson 8

1. idols 2. listened to 3. fast 4. God 5. forgiveness

Lesson 9

Answers will vary.

Lesson 10

E L S F H L K M S Q C I
G W S R A E A W U R O S
D Y E I R A R Y P E U R
U B T E O D A K P H R A
J Q E N B E B O O T A E
Q W H D E R U K R E G L
E X P S D S V F T G E I
H B O H A H V A I O O T
P T R I A I M S V T U E
O A P P O P M L E D S S
A C C O M P L I S H C K
K F I M P O S S I B L E

Lesson 11

1. c 2. a 3. e 4. b 5. d

Lesson 12

Across

1. Gilead

4. Jephthah

Down

2. Ammonites

3. sacrifice

5. talent

Lesson 13

1. F 2. T 3. T 4. F 5. F