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KIDZ HARVEST QUARTERLY

Parent Resources

Each quarter there are Connection Classes offered that would greatly benefit your life! These invaluable courses provide encouragement, enrichment and edification for your personal life, your marriage and your role as a parent. Here are two being offered this quarter that we believe you will not want to miss!!

9:00am-10:15am: Navigating Through Scripture led by Ethan Jago (Begins March 12) Have you ever struggles with how to read the Bible? Do you struggle with figuring out the author's intent and meaning? Join us as we begin a course on how to interpret the scriptures accurately and properly with a system called hermeneutics. Whether you are a seasoned Bible reader or some new to God's Word, no matter your age, this class is for you! Attendees will learn how to have spiritual discernment when interpreting the scriptures and applying them to their lives, while staying in line with the author's original intent.

10:45am – 12pm: Love and War, led by Tony Zeller (DVD series by John & Stasi Eldredge) Marriage is the perfect storm that brings together basic differences in men and women, individual styles of relating, sin, and brokenness. The Eldredges offer sound advice on topics such as the delights of companionship, understanding that the enemy is Satan and not your spouse, finding your marriage's mission, taboo topics, and yes, sex. Their summation of marriage: "It can be done. And it is worth it." Join us as we study marriage and how to succeed in it!



Spring Quarter Events

March	April	May
1 Regular Night	5 Outreach Night-TNT/Sparks	3 Awana Closing Program 6:25pm-8:15pm
8 Regular Night	12 No Awana	
15 Regular Night	19 2x Share Night	
22 No Awana-Spring Break	26 Awana Store & Spring Offering	
29 Regular Night		



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Special points of interest:

- Check out each week's Gospel Project lesson

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BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE!



The winter temperatures are rearing their icy heads and it's already too hard to imagine what summer felt like. Thank the Lord for churches and houses that are warm and cozy on the inside! I can remember winters when I was little where my dad filled the wood stove and we sat and listened to the crackling of the fire as the house filled up with warmth. Whether we were watching a favorite movie, wrestling on the floor, or reading books I treasure those memories fondly.

As we approach this holiday season, I want to encourage you to keep the spiritual fires burning strong in your home. Keep it warm and toasty so that when the cold and busy world seems to bear its icy head you have a warm and toasty place to go to. Christmas is a wonderful time to celebrate with family and friends, but sometimes the true reason to celebrate can get a frosty chill. Fan the spiritual flame in your home through activities, devotions, or general family time. Ask questions about Jesus birth, have your

kids act out the Christmas story, sing songs at bedtime, do something "outside of the box" creatively to worship Jesus this Christmas.

After Christmas comes the long winter where it is just as important to make sure the fire is burning brightly. Invest in making New Year's family goals; decide to read through the Bible in a year as a family; commit to memorize a verse every month; volunteer at a homeless shelter as a family; invite your neighbors over for a meal and game night. There are so many ways we can spend our time and I simply want to encourage you to tend to your families spiritual fire. Baby, its cold outside ... put another log of the fire for me!!

~ Pastor Daryl

*"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline."
2 Timothy 1:6-7*

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT SERVICES



We're getting ready for the annual Christmas Candlelight Services and are excited about the part your children will have in each service! The Pre-School Peanuts and Kindergarten Tater-Tots who have practiced with us will delight us with two bell choir songs. Children in 1st grade – 5th grade who have practiced throughout November and December will be singing two songs in each service. While it's not mandatory that all eligible children perform in all 3 services, we hope they will be able to! You won't want to miss it!

Here's the schedule: We'll have a technical rehearsal from 8:45 - 10:00am on Saturday, December 17. The preschool and kindergarten bell choir will be dismissed as soon as they finish practicing their two songs. The elementary choir will stay until they are done at 10 am.

The performances will be: Saturday evening, December 17 at 6:00 pm & Sunday morning, December 18 at 8:30am and 10:45am. Pre-service recital begins 20 minutes prior. Kids are encouraged to wear "Christmas" apparel for the festive occasion!

Unit 7: God the Son

March 5—April 2

March 5

Joshua and Caleb
Numbers 13:1-14:38

Big Picture Question & Answer: Whom can we trust? We can trust God to take care of us.

Main Point: The Israelites did not trust God to give them the promised land.

Christ Connection: Caleb and Joshua trusted God. God planned for Joshua to lead the next generation of Israelites into the promised land. Joshua was not perfect, but His faithfulness reminds us of Jesus, who is perfect. Jesus obeyed the Father and trusted His plan to save people from their sins.

Key Passage: Joshua 1:9

March 12

The Bronze Snake
Numbers 20:1-20; 21:4-9

Big Picture Question & Answer: Whom can we trust? We can trust God to take care of us.

Main Point: God told His people to look at the bronze snake to be healed.

Christ Connection: The Israelites faced a huge problem because of their sin. God sent snakes to punish Israel, but anyone who was bitten could look at the snake on the pole and live. Because of our sin, we face a huge problem: we are separated from God. We deserve to die, but anyone who looks to Jesus on the cross and trusts in Him will live forever with God.

Key Passage: Joshua 1:9

March 19

The Promised Land & Jericho
Joshua 2-4; 6

Big Picture Question & Answer: Whom can we trust? We can trust God to take care of us.

Main Point: God fought for His people and led them into the Promised land.

Christ Connection: God fought for His people and led them into the Promised land. Just as the Lord defeated Jericho for the Israelites, Jesus defeats His enemies and leads believers into the promised land of eternity.

Key Passage: Joshua 1:9

March 26

Achan's Sin and the Defeat of Ai
Joshua 7-8

Big Picture Question and Answer: Whom can we trust? We can trust to take care of us.

Main Point: God punished Achan for his sin. Then God fought for His people in Ai.

Christ Connection: The punishment for Achan's sin was death. It seems harsh, but the Bible says that the wages of sin is death. (Romans 6:23) Because we sin, we deserve to die too. Jesus came to die in our place. When we confess our sins and trust in Jesus, we are forgiven and saved from spiritual death.

Key Passage: Joshua 1:9

April 2

Joshua's Final Encouragement
Joshua 23:1-24:28

Big Picture Question & Answer: Whom can we trust? We can trust God to take care of us.

Main Point: Joshua encouraged the people to worship God alone.

Christ Connection: As Joshua prepared for his own death, he left a legacy of obedience to God. After Jesus' death and resurrection, He appeared to the disciples and left them with a legacy: to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything Jesus commanded.

Key Passage: Joshua 1:9

Happy Easter



Unit 8: Easter

April 9-April 16

April 9

Jesus' Triumphal Entry

Matthew 21:1-17; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:28-44; John 12:12-19

Big Picture Question & Answer: Who saves us from our sin? Only Jesus saves us from sin.

Main Point: People welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem as their King.

Christ Connection: During Jesus' triumphal entry, the people welcomed Him as King. Jesus was the Messiah spoken about by the prophet Zechariah: "Look, your King is coming to you; He is righteous and victorious, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey" (Zechariah 9:9). One day, Jesus will return to earth on a white horse as King over everything. (Revelation 19:11)

Key Passage: Luke 24:5-6

April 16

Jesus' Crucifixion & Resurrection

Matthew 26:36-28:10; John 18:1-20:18

Big Picture Question & Answer: Who saves us from our sin? Only Jesus can save us from our sin.

Main Point: Jesus died on the cross to save people from sin, and He is alone.

Christ Connection: The crucifixion & resurrection of Jesus is the center of the gospel. We deserve to die because of our sin, but Jesus died in our place. He was the blood sacrifice made once and for all for the forgiveness of sin. God was pleased with Jesus' sacrifice & raised Jesus from the dead to reign as King over all creation. We are forgiven only through Jesus.

Key Passage: Luke 24:5-6

Unit 9: God Among Us

April 23-May 28

April 23

The First Judges

Judges 3:7-31

Big Picture Question & Answer: How did God accomplish His plan? God uses people for His glory and our good.

Main Point: God's people turned from Him to worship idols.

Christ Connection: The judges saved the people from the consequences of their sin, but not the cause of it. God's plan was to one day send a true Deliverer—Jesus, His own Son—to be the King of His people. Jesus saves people from sin forever.

Key Passage: Isaiah 33:22



April 30

Deborah and Barak

Judges 4-5

Big Picture Question & Answer: How does God accomplish His plan? God uses people for His glory and our good.

Main Point: God's people needed someone to rescue them from their enemies.

Christ Connection: God does what is for His glory and our good. (Psalm 115:3; Romans 8:28) God fought for the Israelites and used Deborah, Barak, and Jael to defeat Canaan. In a similar way, God uses people and events to not only save us from our enemies, but to bring about our ultimate good: salvation through His Son, Jesus Christ.

Key Passage: Isaiah 33:22

May 7

Gideon

Judges 6-8

Big Picture Question & Answer: How does God accomplish His plan? God uses people for His glory and our good.

Main Point: God used Gideon's weakness for His glory.

Christ Connection: The Israelites cried out to God because they knew they could not save themselves. Even Gideon was not enough to save them; God used Gideon to save His people, but God fought the battle for them. The people needed someone who was mighty to save. Jesus Christ came to save us from sin because we cannot save ourselves. Only God, through Christ, can save us.

Key Passage: Isaiah 33:22

May 14

Samson

Judges 13-16

Big Picture Question & Answer: How does God accomplish His plan? God uses people for His glory and our good.

Main Point: God gave Samson power.

Christ Connection: Boaz was a family redeemer. That means he would help his close relatives who were in trouble. Boaz cared for Ruth and Naomi because their husbands had died. In a similar way, Jesus is our Redeemer. We need help because we win. Jesus bought our salvation for us by taking our punishment when He died on the cross.

Key Passage: Isaiah 33:22

May 21

Ruth and Boaz

Ruth 1-4

Big Picture Question & Answer: How did God accomplish His plan? God uses people for His glory and our good.

Main Point: God provided a redeemer for Ruth.

Christ Connection: Moses commanded the people to obey God so that they would live. He told them to worship only God—the one true God. We receive eternal life from God by trusting in His Son, Jesus, and we obey Him because only He is God.

Key Passage: Isaiah 33:22

May 28

Eli and Boy Samuel

1 Samuel 1-3

Big Picture Question & Answer: How does God accomplish His plan? God uses people for His glory and our good.

Main Point: God called Samuel to share God's plan.

Christ Connection: Samuel used God's words to tell the people what God is like. John 1:1 says that Jesus is the Word. Jesus showed the world what God is like, and He told people to turn away from their sin. Jesus ultimately freed people from the power of sin by dying on the cross and rising again.

Key Passage: Isaiah 33:22