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ROUTE 66

A TRIP THROUGH THE
66 BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Includes:

- Small-group activities
- Arts and crafts
- Puzzle worksheets
- And more!



BONUS
Souvenir
Scrapbook
Activity!

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Introducing

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A Trip through the 66 Books of the Bible

As a Bible teacher working with young children, have you ever felt stuck in a bit of a rut? We sing the same songs, do the same crafts, tell the same stories over and over again. If we're not careful, we give children the impression that the Bible is made up of about 10 or 15 familiar stories—and once they've heard them, they know it all! But the truth is, there's so much more to the Bible than "Noah's Ark," "Jonah and the Big Fish," and "Daniel in the Lions' Den."

Get ready for the trip of a lifetime! *Route 66: A Trip through the 66 Books of the Bible* is designed to take children on a life-changing journey through each of the 66 books of the Bible, introducing them to more of the wonders of the Word and the adventure that can be found in a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

The title "Route 66" comes from the name of a historic highway that once took a diagonal path across the Midwestern United States, from Chicago to Los Angeles. The highway was originally created to accommodate the needs of the growing trucking industry, the military, and migrant workers. But, in the 1940s and 50s, it became hugely popular with tourists who enjoyed taking leisurely road trips through the breath-taking scenery of the Midwest.

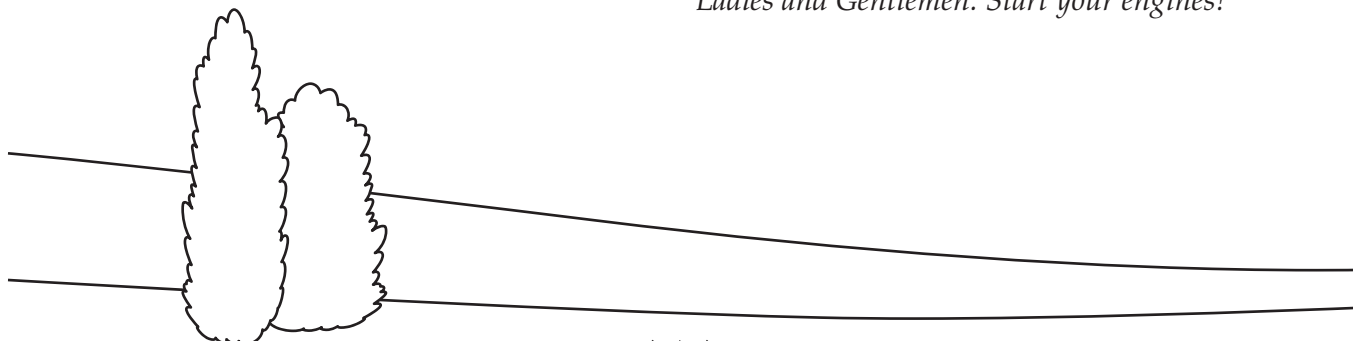
In 2001, Route 66 celebrated its 75th anniversary. Due in part to the recent explosion of interest in motor sports—and the appearance of Route 66 as the setting for several blockbuster films—the old highway is experiencing a revival of sorts. Once again, people are taking road trips down Route 66. And, they've inspired us to take a very special "road trip" of our own.

Each week, *Route 66* will introduce children to a different book or group of books in the Bible. They'll learn about the author, the time frame, the key people, and the book's purpose. Activity pages help children explore the Scriptures further on their own. A *Souvenir Scrapbook* serves as a way to remember all of the different stops and to celebrate the journey.

Because Scripture is "living and active," it still speaks to us today. It speaks to us corporately as the Body of Christ; it speaks to us as unique individuals. And, we can never get to the end of it. We will never know all there is to know about the Bible. There's always more to experience, more to learn. Once we begin, the adventure goes on and on and on . . .

So, are you ready for the road trip of a lifetime?

Ladies and Gentlemen: Start your engines!



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Making the Most of the Journey

The *Route 66* road trip theme is one that lends itself well to a host of creative ideas and opportunities. If you want to, you can really go all out—using all of the resources provided in this workbook, decorating your space with bulletin boards and props, and developing the theme with music and movies from pop culture.

In addition to cars, look for toys, props, or cardboard cutouts that feature road-trip-related objects and symbols (see list below).

Celebrate reaching the end of the journey by hosting a tailgate party and picnic for children and their families near a local park or playground.

However, in all of the fun, just make sure you don't get sidetracked. Remember that the purpose of the *Route 66* road trip is not to encourage interest in motor sports or 1940s Americana, but to teach biblical literacy. The theme is simply a tool to get children's attentions—drawing them into the true adventure that can be found in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and a lifelong journey through the pages of His Word.

road signs

tires

checkered flags

keys

compass/GPS

maps

gas pumps

traffic signals

cones

binoculars



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Memorizing the Map

Here are the stops we'll be making on our journey. Memorizing them in order will help you find verses and stories in the Bible in the same way that memorizing the alphabet helps you find things in a dictionary or an encyclopedia.

The Old Testament

Genesis	Ecclesiastes
Exodus	Song of Songs
Leviticus	Isaiah
Numbers	Jeremiah
Deuteronomy	Lamentations
Joshua	Ezekiel
Judges	Daniel
Ruth	Hosea
1 Samuel	Joel
2 Samuel	Amos
1 Kings	Obadiah
2 Kings	Jonah
1 Chronicles	Micah
2 Chronicles	Nahum
Ezra	Habakkuk
Nehemiah	Zephaniah
Esther	Haggai
Job	Zechariah
Psalms	Malachi
Proverbs	

The New Testament

Matthew	1 Timothy
Mark	2 Timothy
Luke	Titus
John	Philemon
Acts	Hebrews
Romans	James
1 Corinthians	1 Peter
2 Corinthians	2 Peter
Galatians	1 John
Ephesians	2 John
Philippians	3 John
Colossians	Jude
1 Thessalonians	Revelation
2 Thessalonians	



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Souvenir Scrapbook with Map

Keeping a scrapbook is a wonderful way for children to respond to the *Route 66* road trip in a personal way. They can include activities and projects from this workbook, as well as their own thoughts and ideas, artwork, and poetry.

Making the Scrapbook

Cover: Copy the scrapbook title page on page 9 for each child. Have children fill in and decorate their covers. Attach each cover to the front of a three-pronged pocket folder or a three-ring binder.

Map: Copy the Route 66 map on pages 10–11 for each child. Align the two pages together to create one image and tape the pages to the inside of a file folder or onto construction paper. Fold the map in half and store it inside the *Souvenir Scrapbook*.

Inside Pages: Insert 20 or 30 sheets of lined paper into each folder. Children can use these sheets for the Mile Marker activities or other journaling assignments. Copies of activity pages can also be hole punched and kept in the folder.

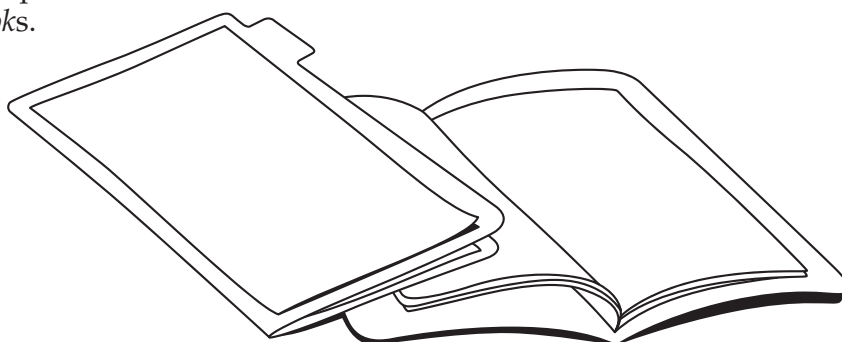
Key Verses: A Key Verse for each book of the Bible is referenced at the beginning of each lesson. These verses are also written on pages 176–182. Make a copy of these pages for each child in your class. Have children cut out the verses for appropriate lessons and tape them to pages inside their *Souvenir Scrapbooks*.

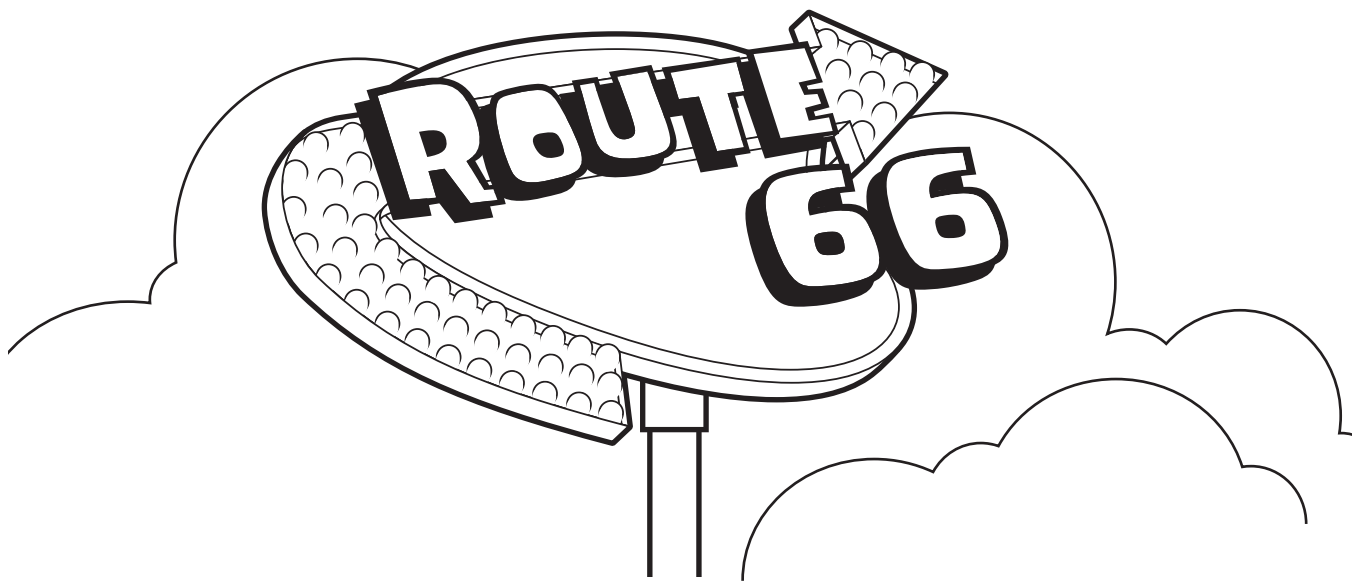
Using the Scrapbook

Use a camera to take photos of children individually or as a group. Photos could show children excited and ready to begin this new adventure—or busily working on activities and craft projects in the weeks that follow. Provide copies of these photos for them to include in their scrapbooks.

Encourage children to journal their own thoughts and ideas and create their own drawings or illustrations in addition to those provided in this workbook. Whenever there is free time, give children access to scrapbooking materials to decorate their pages. These materials might include:

- crayons and markers
- construction paper
- scissors
- colorful pens and pencils
- die-cut shapes, borders, and frames
- glue
- stickers
- magazines (especially those that feature motor sports or travel scenes)
- Sunday school take-home papers with scenes from Bible stories





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