Bible 4 Journal Homeschool Guide



Use the **Bible 4 Journal** to develop your child's ability to personalize the truths and lessons of the Bible through thought-provoking discussion questions and creative activities.

- Archaeology theme provokes interest exploring the treasures contained in Scripture
- Weekly reminders provide daily Bible reading opportunities
- Journal entries prompt digging deeper into God's Word
- End-of-series "Assemblage Analysis" allows for biblical worldview development
- Creative writing and drawing opportunities designed for independent completion
- Decorative verse pages make key concepts memorable

Overview

A Bible journal is a wonderful way for students not only to recall the facts of the Bible lessons taught throughout the week but also to apply the accompanying biblical principles to their personal lives. The *Bible 4 Journal* uses an intriguing archaeological theme to help students dig into the Word of God for themselves.

The Bible 4 Journal can be used once or twice a week in conjunction with a mid-series cumulative review or at the end of a series. Each entry provides a unique opportunity for your child to express what he is learning and for you to informally assess his understanding of the lessons and truths covered. Adjust the curriculum if needed to allow sufficient time for journal work and discussion. Depending on the time available, you may want to preselect questions to cover.

Entries include Bible Reading, Beneath the Surface, Looking Back, Observations, and Daily Living sections. Students can complete the Bible reading throughout the week before the journal entry is assigned. The passages correlate with each lesson series (e.g. Salvation Series) and can be read at a time that works in your schedule. This is an opportunity to help students develop consistency in reading God's Word and having a personal time with God each day. The weekly entry begins with Beneath the Surface and Looking Back sections. The Observations section begins with the recall of facts and then leads your child to see that Bible men and women were ordinary people that God used to accomplish His will. This will lead to personal applications as he discovers how God's Word affects his life today. The journal also helps to establish a firm biblical worldview by asking your child to consider current situations and how he should react based upon Bible principles. Throughout the journal, he will be asked to give his opinion based upon Scripture and what he has been learning. In these cases, there is not necessarily one correct answer. Encourage him to share his thoughts.

At the end of each lesson series (e.g. *Genesis*, Series 1—*Creation, Adam & Cain*), there is an additional section entitled Assemblage Analysis. The Assemblage Analysis ties the entire series together with an important takeaway thoughts and biblical application questions.

The Assemblage Analysis section ends with a Creative Writing/Profile Drawing section, giving your child the opportunity to creatively consider an aspect from the lessons covered. The final page is a decorative verse page highlighting a key verse related to the lessons with a sketch that can be colored.

Salvation Series				
Journal Entry Number	Suggested Lesson Number	Series Lessons Covered		
1	L6	<i>Salvation Series</i> —Lessons 1–3 (Heaven, a Beautiful Home; Adam, How Sin Began; The Crucifixion of Christ)		
2	L 11	Salvation Series—Lessons 4–5 (The Resurrection of Christ; How to Grow Spiritually)		

Note: Optional Activities are included in the back of the *Bible 4 Journal* and designed to be used throughout the year. Use "God's Plan of Salvation" when desired to give your child an opportunity to express his understanding of God's gift of redemption and how to receive it. Use "My Testimony" when desired to give your child an opportunity to express his own salvation story if he has trusted Christ as Savior. Use "Lessons Learned" frequently to give your child an opportunity to receive and personal application from throughout the year.

Genesis				
Journal Entry Number	Suggested Lesson Number	Series Lessons Covered		
1	L 16	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 1—Lessons 1–3 (Creation; Adam and Eve; Cain and Abel) and Assemblage Analysis		
2	L 21	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 2—Lessons 1–2 (Enoch, The Man Who Went to Heaven without Dying; Noah and the Ark)		
3	L 25	Genesis, Series 2—Lesson 3 (The Tower of Babel) and Assemblage Analysis		
4	after L 32*	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 3—Lessons 1–3 (The Call of Abram and Lot's Choice; Abraham's Guests Destroy Sodom; Isaac and Ishmael)		
5	L 36	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 3—Lessons 4–5 (Offering of Isaac; A Bride for Isaac) and Assemblage Analysis		
6	L 41	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 4—Lessons 1–2 (Twins, but Different; Jacob's Ladder)		
7	L 46	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 4—Lessons 3–4 (Jacob Meets His Match; Jacob Comes Back) and Assemblage Analysis		
8	L 51	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 5—Lessons 1–3 (Joseph's Dreams; Joseph Sold; Joseph, the Slave)		
9	L 56	<i>Genesis</i> , Series 5—Lessons 4–5 (Joseph in Pharaoh's Palace; Joseph's Brothers Visit Egypt)		
10	L 59	Genesis, Series 5—Lesson 6 (Joseph's Family) and Assemblage Analysis		

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Life of Christ				
Journal Entry Number	Suggested Lesson Number	Series Lessons Covered		
1	after L 68*	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 1—Lessons 1–3 (The Promise of a Savior; The Birth of Jesus; Angels Bring the Good News to the Shepherds)		
2	L 71	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 1—Lessons 4–5 (Wise Men Worship the King; The Flight into Egypt) and Assemblage Analysis		
3	L 79	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 2—Lessons 1–4 (The Boy Jesus; The Baptism of Jesus; The Temptation of Jesus; The First Disciples)		
4	L 86	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 2—Lessons 5–7 (Calling the Fishermen and Matthew; The First Miracle; Through a Roof and Beside a Pool)		
5	L 88	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 2—Lesson 8 (Cleansing the Temple and Nicodemus) and Assemblage Analysis		
6	L 96	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 3—Lessons 1–3 (The Woman at the Well; The Nobleman's Son / Jesus in the Synagogue; Blind Bartimaeus)		
7	L 101	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 3—Lessons 4–5 (Jesus Heals Jairus's Daughter; Jesus and the Children/The Lost Lamb)		
8	L 106	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 3—Lessons 6–7 (The Feeding of the Five Thousand; Jesus Walks on Water) and Assemblage Analysis		
9	L 113	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 4—Lessons 1–2 (Jesus Stills the Storm; The Transfiguration)		
10	L 118	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 4—Lessons 3–4 (Jesus and the Lepers; Lazarus and the Rich Man)		
11	L 123	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 4—Lessons 5–6 (The Rich Young Ruler; Zacchaeus)		
12	L 126	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 4—Lesson 7 (Friends at Bethany) and Assemblage Analysis		
13	L 131	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 5—Lessons 1–3 (The Triumphal Entry; The Last Supper; The Garden of Gethsemane)		
14	L 134	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 5—Lessons 4–5 (The Judgment Hall; The Crucifixion)		
15	L 138	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 5—Lessons 6–7 (The Resurrection; Emmaus and the Upper Room)		
16	L 141	<i>Life of Christ</i> , Series 5—Lessons 8–9 (Breakfast on the Shore with Jesus; The Ascension) and Assemblage Analysis		

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Life of Paul				
Journal Entry Number	Suggested Lesson Number	Series Lessons Covered		
1	L 146	<i>Life of Paul</i> , Series 1—Lessons 1–2 (God Gives Power to Witness; The Stoning of Stephen)		
2	after L 152*	<i>Life of Paul</i> , Series 1—Lessons 3–5 (Saul Meets His Master; God Gives Saul a Friend; Paul's First Missionary Journey) and Assemblage Analysis		
3	L 156	<i>Life of Paul</i> , Series 2—Lessons 1–2 (The Macedonian Vision; The Philippian Jailer)		
4	L 159	<i>Life of Paul</i> , Series 2—Lessons 3–4 (Thessalonica, Berea, and Mars' Hill; Uproar at Ephesus)		
5	L 164	<i>Life of Paul</i> , Series 2—Lessons 5–7 (Paul Arrested in Jerusalem; Before Governors and Kings; Shipwreck!)		
6	L 168	<i>Life of Paul</i> , Series 2—Lessons 8–9 (Rome, at Last!; Paul's Letters) and Assemblage Analysis		

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