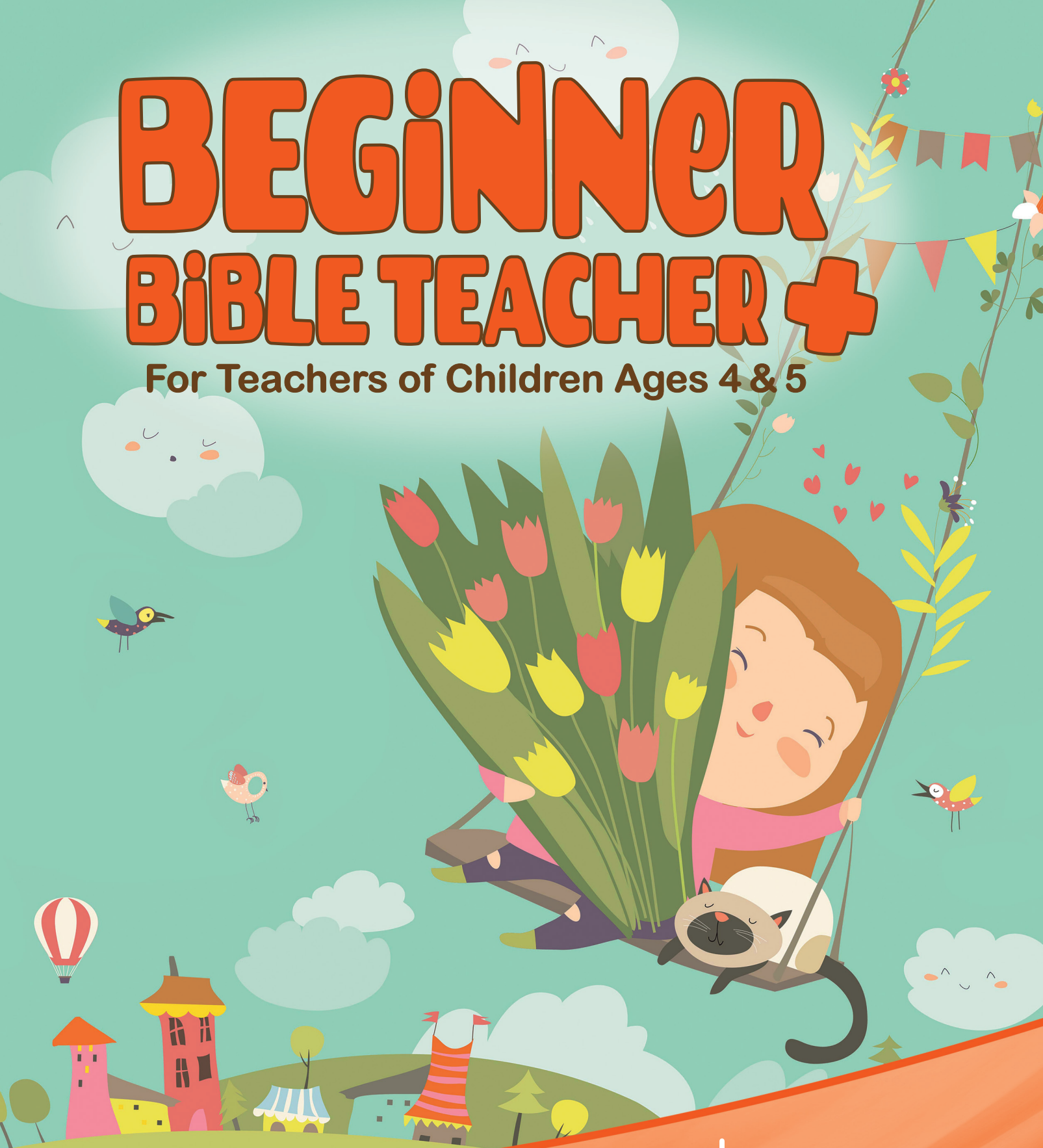


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For Teachers of Children Ages 4 & 5



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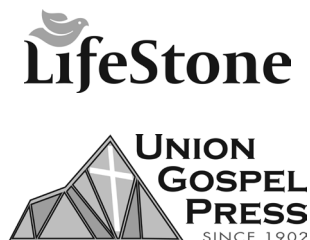
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Dear Beginner Teacher,

Welcome to *Beginner Bible Teacher*! As witnesses for Christ in a changing world, we have to think creatively about how we minister, while still holding firmly to the Word of Truth.

Our Plus Series contains robust Bible lessons and background information that have been clearly crafted to help you excite your students to learn God's Word.

***Beginner Bible Teacher*⁺ features:**

- **Introductory pages** for each unit will connect the units to one another and point toward the quarter's major themes.
- The **Big Idea** is the main point of the lesson. This helps you focus your lesson on the one thing you want your students to take away about God and His Word.
- **Prepare Your Mind** and **Prepare Your Heart** will ready you to teach with background information and a short devotional.
- **Supplies, Suggested Song**, and **Prepare the Room** give you all the practical information you need to prepare for class time.
- **Glossary** sections key you in to words in the lesson that may be difficult to understand for young students.
- The **Conversation Starter** is an interesting question or object lesson that helps you kick off your class and get your students invested in the lesson. It will always tie in with the first part of the Bible Lesson.
- **Teacher Tips** in the lesson will give you quick tips to involve your students or deal with difficult subject matter.
- **Just Curious** prepares you to respond to questions students might ask about the lesson.
- **Prop Prompt** symbols notify you when to use a prop listed in the supply list at the beginning of the lesson. All props and supplies are in **bold** the first time they appear.
- **Action** symbols help you see opportunities to invite your class to take part in the lesson.
- **Activities** get your students' wiggles out while thinking about the lesson.
- **Review Questions** will test your students' comprehension of the lesson.
- **Next Steps** help your students apply the lesson to their lives.
- **Prayer Points** give teachers some prompts for ways to pray for the students.
- The **Christ Focus** encourages thought about how the Scripture passage and lesson point to our loving Savior.

KEY:

Teacher Tips



Just Curious



Prop Prompts



Actions



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Lesson 1

GOD WILL JUDGE SIN

Lesson Text: Ezekiel 22:17-31

"Ye shall know that I the Lord have poured out my fury upon you"
(Ezekiel 22:22).



BIG IDEA: Israel's leaders made God's people disobey His rules.



- God's people listened to their leaders and broke God's rules.
- God disciplined His people by sending them away from their homes and to another nation.
- The hot furnace in Ezekiel's story separated the metal from unwanted parts.

MEMORY HELPER



It is upsetting when we get in trouble for making bad choices.
God was upset because His people were breaking His rules.



CHRIST FOCUS

Jesus shows us how to obey all of God's rules.



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Here's a peek at features of the *Beginner Bible Learner*⁺:

- A **lesson recap** summarizes the lesson in language beginners can easily understand.

- The **Memory Helper** reminds students of something interesting in the Bible lesson that will help them remember the Big Idea.

- The **coloring page** is bigger than ever to make it easier for little hands to color.

- **Talk About It** connects with Next Steps and cues parents or caregivers in on how they can help their children apply the lesson throughout the week.

- Each page is perforated, so it is easy to rip out and take home!



TALK ABOUT IT

Read passages from the Bible to your child that explains God's rules.

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UNIT 1:

God's Wrath on Sin

Lesson 1: Ezekiel 22:17-31

God Will Judge Sin

Lesson 2: Ezekiel 33:12-20

Sinners Deserve Death

Lesson 3: Romans 1:18-23

God's Anger Revealed

God is love. He is holy. It is in His holiness that His love includes a response to sin that many are uncomfortable with—His wrath. Yet for God to be a genuinely good Father, correction must come to His children. God is “slow to anger.” Beginners can relate to this as their caregivers may give them warnings about coming consequences for their misbehavior. As you teach the lessons in this unit, emphasize to beginners how long God waited for His people to turn from their sins. He was patient with them, and He is patient with us.



God Will Judge Sin

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(Ezekiel 22:22).



Big Idea: Israel's leaders made God's people disobey His rules.

EZEKIEL 22:17 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they *are* brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are *even* the dross of silver.

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

20 As they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin, into the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt *it*; so will I gather *you* in mine anger and in my fury, and I will leave *you there*, and melt you.

21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.

22 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof; and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you.

23 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

24 Son of man, say unto her, Thou *art* the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.

25 *There is* a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls;

they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

26 Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed *difference* between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.

27 Her princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, *and* to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

28 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered *morter*, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.

29 The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.

30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.

31 Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.

Prepare Your Mind

Today's verses speak about sinful people who chose to willfully disobey God. He was ready to eliminate them. The prophet's message was clear—turn from sin or face judgment. Burning away dross to make pure metal dramatically illustrates God's wrath toward those who are against Him.



Supplies

- hot cocoa mix
- glass jar with lid
- warm water
- scissors
- construction paper (black, white, orange, and red)
- aluminum foil
- glue
- paper
- marker
- tape

Prepare Your Heart

Fire plays a vital role in God's Word. In today's lesson, it refers to the purifying process of a nation in trouble. Newly saved Christians experience many things that are "burned" away from their lives so that they can live holy lives. Past sins and vices should be burned away, leaving a pure light burning in all Christians' hearts. As you prepare to teach this lesson, concentrate on shining a pure light to your students so that they will not have to face a fiery future.



Suggested Song ⌚ 5 min

"Obedience Is the Very Best Way" (Greene)



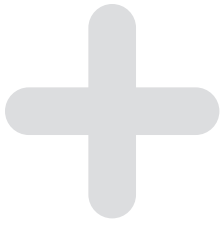
Glossary

discipline: how God trains us to be more like Him

disobedience: not doing or following the instructions given

enemy: one who is against another; not a friend

sin: anything that goes against God's rules; sin separates us from God



Conversation Starter

What do you do when you are angry about something?
When you upset your parents, how do you think they feel?

Bible Lesson ⌚ 10-15 min

What does God think when we don't follow His rules? Where can we find God's rules? Yes, the Bible teaches us what we need to do. Today's Bible lesson tells us about a time when God was upset that His people disobeyed Him.

The Bible tells us that God took care of His people in the same way as parents take care of their children. God was upset when His people made bad choices. He said their disobedience was sin. God sent the prophet Ezekiel with a message for His people. Prophets tell God's plans to people. God's message to Ezekiel for the people was not a happy message.

God was tired of the people disobeying Him. But the leaders of His people told everyone they were not sinning. That was not true. God disciplined His people for breaking His rules. God sent enemies to take His people away from their homes to another nation. That made His people sad, but they didn't stop doing bad things. They didn't learn from the punishment God gave them.

Have you ever done something wrong because a friend wanted you to do it? Did you get in trouble? God's people were in big trouble. God gave Ezekiel a story about how He was going to punish the people. The story was about making metal in a very hot furnace. (?) Ezekiel told them about rocks with pieces of gold or silver in them that were put into a hot furnace. Heating the rock separated the gold or silver from the unwanted parts. The unwanted parts from the rocks were thrown away.

That reminds me of making hot cocoa. (☞ Pour **cocoa mix** into **glass jar**.) What do you see? Now I'll shake the cocoa mix and see what happens. (☞ Shake jar and hold it up.) Let's add **warm water**. Imagine it is like fire in a furnace. (☞ Shake jar and hold it up again.) See how some cocoa hasn't mixed in. I can scoop out any pieces I don't want in there. This will make the cocoa better.

God told the story of the burning furnace to warn the people to stop sinning. He would make them better people by punishing them.



What is a furnace?

A furnace is a box made of bricks or stones. People made fires inside them.



Handcraft: The Burning Pot ⌚ 10 min

Help children as needed.

Instructions:

1. **Glue** black kettle to a sheet of white paper.
2. Tear strips of orange and red paper to be like the fire.
3. Glue strips below the kettle on the bottom part of the paper.
4. Glue aluminum above the kettle to represent silver. Ezekiel was told to warn people that God was going to punish them. God would make them better. He wanted them to live good lives for Him.

SUPPLIES:

- scissors
- construction paper (black, white, orange, and red)
- aluminum foil
- glue

PREP: Cut out kettle shapes from black paper. Cut foil into oval pieces.

Story Time ⌚ 5 min

Abby loved going to the playground. Her mom didn't take her on Monday because it had rained. On Tuesday, she wore her new pink top to the playground. She was happy to see two of her friends there. Their moms sat on a bench and started talking. The girls ran for the slide. No one else was there yet. They climbed up the ladder, crossed a bridge, and slid down the slide.

Sandy said, "Let's put some mud on the slide. Maybe it will make us go faster."

Tina laughed. "Our moms are too busy talking to tell us not to do that."

Abby wasn't sure what to do. She knew Mom wouldn't want her getting her new top muddy. "I don't think Mom would want me to do that."

Sandy put her hands on her hips. "Do you do every-

thing your mother tells you to do?"

Abby said, "I do if Mom makes it a rule."

Tina asked, "Did she ever say you couldn't put mud on a slide?"

Abby shook her head. She hadn't heard any rules about mud on a slide. It did sound like something fun to do. She walked to a puddle. Some mud splashed on her shoe. It looked like chocolate mud. Abby remembered Sunday's lesson about God's punishment for disobedience. Her friends wanted her to do something her mother wouldn't like. She said, "Mom doesn't have a rule about muddy slides, but she does have a rule about getting new clothes dirty. Let's see who can swing the highest instead!"

The girls raced to the swings.



Activity: Which Would You Rather Do? ⌚ 5-10 min

Play a few rounds using obvious choices between good and bad actions. (Examples: 1. Steal candy / 2. Ask your parents to buy it for you. 1. Go to the back of the line / 2. Cut into the line. 1. Get angry / 2. Say you're sorry. 1. Clean your room / 2. Leave it messy.) As you read actions, have the children run to the number for their choice. Make the good choices the opposite number from where most children went last time. Discuss appropriate answers.

SUPPLIES:

- paper
- marker
- tape

PREP: Make a sign with the number 1 and another with the number 2. Hang them on opposite sides of the room.

Review Questions

1. Who told God's people that they were not doing bad things? (their leaders)
2. How did God discipline His people? (Enemies took them to another nation.)
3. What was the hot furnace used for in Ezekiel's story? (separate metal from unwanted parts)

Next Steps

Ask a grown-up to read from the Bible the things that God wants you to do. If a friend or another child asks you to do something wrong, show the person how to make a better choice that would not break God's rules.

Christ Focus

Jesus shows us how to obey all of God's rules.

Prayer Points

- Ask God to help your students make good choices. •
- Ask God to help your students not to listen to friends who might get them in trouble. •