

BEGINNER BIBLE TEACHER +

For Teachers of Children Ages 4 & 5



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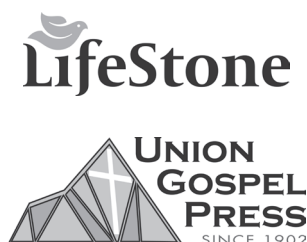
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Dear Beginner Teacher,

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.
- A **glossary** section keys 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.
- **Bonus pages** for you and your students will be included each quarter as supplements in the back of this book.

KEY:

Teacher Tips



Just Curious



Prop Prompts



Actions




December 7, 2025

Lesson 1

THE AMAZING THINGS OF THE LORD

Lesson Text: Exodus 33:12-23

"And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live" (Exodus 33:20).

 **BIG IDEA:** God promises to be with Israel.



MEMORY HELPER

We use our hands for so many things every day. God protected Moses with His hand, and His hand can keep us from harm too.



CHRIST FOCUS

Jesus promises to be with His people all the time (see Matthew 28:20).



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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

Help your child do something that would show care for his or her family this week.

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UNIT 1:

His Holy Presence

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The Amazing Things of the Lord

Lesson 2: Exodus 40:1-11, 34-38

God Fills the Tabernacle

Lesson 3: Isaiah 9:1-7

God's Glory in the Coming Savior (Christmas)

Lesson 4: Isaiah 40:21-31

No One Is like God

Help children know that God is always present and that His Holy Spirit lives in them if they know Jesus as Savior. They experience God when they pray, read the Bible, and worship. Moses learned that no one could look at God's face, but God passed by Moses, and Moses was in God's presence. When the Israelites gathered in the tabernacle to worship in God's presence, God had instructions. He expected them to obey Him, and He expects us to obey His Word. In Isaiah, God foretold His plan of salvation through Jesus many years before He was born. Jesus is the ultimate sign of God's presence with us.



The Amazing Things of the Lord

Lesson Text: Exodus 33:12-23

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“And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live (Exodus 33:20).”



Big Idea: God promises to be with Israel.

EXODUS 33:12 And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation *is* thy people.

14 And he said, My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee rest.

15 And he said unto him, If thy presence go not *with me*, carry us not up hence.

16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? *is it* not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that *are* upon the face of the earth.

17 And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also

that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.

18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.

20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live.

21 And the LORD said, Behold, *there is* a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:

22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by:

23 And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall not be seen.

Prepare Your Mind

God's glory is an amazing concept. As you prepare the lesson, think of ways you can convey something so awesome to the children. While on earth, we won't be able to fully understand what it is like to see God in all His glory. In this lesson, God provided Moses a glimpse of the blinding light of glory. God used His hand to shield Moses because He wanted Moses to survive. Moses obeyed the conditions God set up, and God provided protection through His goodness.



Supplies

- bed sheet
- scissors
- cardboard
- flashlight
- construction paper (including brown)
- crayons
- glue stick

Prepare Your Heart

Moses talked to God often. After chastising the people, he prayed for their forgiveness. God gave them another chance and reissued the Ten Commandments. Moses was a leader to his people. Teachers are leaders to their students. As you lead your class, make time to pray for each child as part of your preparations. Set aside a special place where you can lift words to God on behalf of your students on a daily basis.



Prepare the Room

Make a "tent" (or two if class is large) with a **bed sheet** draped over chairs. **Cut cardboard** into the shape of a hand.



Suggested Song ⌚ 5 min

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"
(Anonymous)



Glossary

forgiveness: to let go of bad feelings toward someone who hurt you

glory: all the amazing things about God

prayer: talking to God



Conversation Starter

Has your family ever gone camping?
Did you use a camper, tent, or cabin?
Did you use a flashlight?
What are some safety rules for flashlights?

Bible Lesson ⌚ 10-15 min

(👏 Have children sit in front of you at the tent entrance.) Our hands are very important. How can you use your hands when camping? (Putting up the tent, holding a flashlight safely, or helping prepare food.) Can you tell me some other things you do with your hands? (Allow for various answers.) The Bible tells us that God's hand can keep us from harm. Let's sing, "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands."

Moses and God's people were on a long trip. Tap your hands like we are walking with Moses. (👏 Tap, alternating hands on lap.) They walked from Egypt toward the land God promised them. There were no stores to buy food or drink. God gave the people everything they needed along the way.

Some of the people were not happy. They did things God didn't like. God decided they needed rules. He told them to stop walking so that He could give them the rules. (👏 Stop tapping.) Who has rules at home? (Ask for show of hands.) God's rules are called the Ten Commandments. Let's count to ten. (👏 Hold up fingers and count.) These rules taught the people how to worship God and how to treat one another.

Moses was sorry the people had done things that made God upset. Moses started to pray. Moses asked God to forgive the people, and God forgave them.

Moses told God that he could not lead the people alone. He asked God to promise to stay with the people when they started walking again. God promised Moses that He would go with the people on their trip.

Moses loved God. He wanted to see the glory of God's face. But God knew Moses would die if he saw His face. God's glory and goodness are much brighter than this flashlight. (👏 Hold up **flashlight**.)

God told Moses he couldn't see His face. Instead, God told Moses to hide in the crack of a rock. When God passed by, He covered Moses with His hand. (👏 Hold up cardboard hand.) God's hand protected Moses. (👏 Place hand between you and class. Shine flashlight at hand and allow it to protect them from the light.) Then he could see just part of God and stay safe.

God's people once again began their long walk. God kept giving them good things. He kept His promise. When they broke God's rules, Moses prayed.



Activity: Memory Verse with Motion ⌚ 5-10 min

Help the class learn the memory verse. Start by repeating it several times, and then add these actions: "And he said, (point up) Thou (point to someone else) canst not (shake head no) see my face: (circle face using first finger) for there shall no man (wag finger in the air) see me, (point up) and live" (jump around with hands in the air) (Exodus 33:20).

Story Time ⌚ 5 min

Mark climbed into the car. Mom tucked a blanket around his little sister, Sara. Mark watched Dad load their tent into the back. It reminded him of the lesson about God's people camping. He shivered. The weather was too cold to camp.

The sky was dark when they left home. When the sun rose, the light shone in Mark's eyes. He covered his eyes. Sara covered her eyes too. They played peek-a-boo for a while. Then Mark got annoyed with Sara. Mark poked her and said things that were not nice to her, and she cried. Dad pulled the car into a rest park.

Mom said, "Mark, you need to say you are sorry to Sara. One of our family rules is kindness."

He told Sara he was sorry. Mark still felt bad. He fol-

lowed his parents to a picnic table. He lowered his head.

When Dad asked what was wrong, Mark said, "I said I was sorry, but I still feel bad. How can I get rid of this feeling?"

"Prayers for forgiveness can help. You can also promise Jesus that you will make better choices. Would you like to say the prayer for our lunch?"

"Yes." Mark remembered how Moses prayed. Mark asked God to forgive him. He thanked God for the food.

Mark asked, "Can you tell me where we are going?"

Dad said, "I promise we will camp on a beach, and you will like it."

Mark knew Dad would keep his promise, just as God kept His promises in the Bible.



Handcraft: Sheltered in God's Hand ⌚ 10 min

Help children as needed.

Instructions:

1. **Draw** Moses near the middle of paper.
 2. **Glue** "rocks" on either side of Moses.
 3. Glue a paper hand above Moses.
- Remind class how God kept Moses from harm.

SUPPLIES:

- construction paper (including brown)
- scissors
- crayons
- glue stick

PREP: Tear **brown construction paper** into rough rock-like shapes. **Cut** hand shapes from other colors of construction paper.

Review Questions

1. Where were Moses and God's people traveling to? (the land God promised them)
2. Why did Moses ask God to go with the people on their trip? (Moses could not lead them alone.)
3. How was Moses able to see God? (Moses hid, and God protected him with His hand.)

Next Steps

God promised good things to Moses and the people. God kept His promises by protecting Moses with His hand and taking care of the people. What could you promise to do this week to help your family? Then don't forget to do it!

Christ Focus

Jesus promises to be with His people all the time (see Matt. 28:20).

Prayer Points

- Ask God for forgiveness when you make bad choices. •
- Thank God that He keeps His promises. •