



JESUS, God's Son

1st-2nd Grade Student Workbook Vol.5—Homeschool Edition

For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:6



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HOW TO USE THIS WORKBOOK

We want the life-changing truth of the Bible to be your student's focus. For this reason, this workbook is designed for the teacher to work alongside the student after the daily *1st-6th Grade Guide Book* lesson.

Weekly stories. The allure of a well-told story is strong for nearly anyone, but in children's early years, stories have special appeal. That is why we draw their minds into spiritual things with a captivating Bible story and illustration for the first day of each week (although you should read it again throughout the week).

Meaningful discussion. The best way to know how much a young student is learning is to ask meaningful questions and engage the child in conversation. Each day is accompanied by discussion questions you can use to gauge your child's comprehension and help him or her understand things that are difficult or confusing.

Scripture memory. Each week features a new Bible memory verse. We provide tools and suggestions each day of the week to help children remember the verse.

Fun activities! Studies have shown that children remember more of what they learn when the learning involves more of their five senses. Each day, we offer some kind of activity to help stimulate students' minds and cement Bible truth in their memories.





Read: Luke 1:39-45

GREAT JOY





SOMEONE IS COMING

Knock, knock. When someone knocks on your door, do you try to guess who it is? What if your favorite singer or a famous astronaut is stopping by for a visit? You may not have any famous visitors at your house, but it would be exciting to have someone important stop by!

Mary had an important visitor. It was an angel! The angel came to tell her she would have an even more important visitor. She would have a baby by God's power. The angel said it would be a miracle.

Mary was surprised, but she said, "I am God's servant. May it happen the way you said." Do you know who Mary's baby was going to be?

Who's there? After the angel left, Mary hurried to visit her family member named Elizabeth. Elizabeth was going to have a miracle baby too! Even though she was very old, God promised her a baby. God had a special plan for Elizabeth's baby. He would grow up to be a prophet named John.

When Mary said hello to Elizabeth, baby John jumped for joy inside Elizabeth's tummy. He wasn't born yet, but he already knew who the baby inside Mary was. Being close to Him made baby John want to celebrate.

Elizabeth knew who the baby was too. "You are blessed, and your baby is blessed," she said.

Mary hadn't even said she was going to have a baby, but baby John and Elizabeth already knew who her baby was. Were they super smart? Maybe, but that's not how they knew. They knew because of God the Holy Spirit. God the Holy Spirit knows everything. He told them who Mary's baby was. They didn't have to guess who was visiting. They knew that the baby inside Mary was the most important visitor ever. That was why they were so happy.

Jesus. Elizabeth did not feel like she deserved to have such a great visitor. "Why should God bless me with a visit from the mother of my Lord? Even my baby jumped for joy when you came. You are blessed for trusting that God would do what He said He would," she said.

God's angel had told Mary that her baby would be Jesus, the Son of God. Mary, Elizabeth, and

John were full of joy because Mary's baby was Jesus Christ the Lord. What an important visitor! God Himself had come to visit His people. He had come to save them.

Discussion Questions:

- What visitor told Mary she would have a baby?
- 2. Who did Mary go visit?
- 3. Who came to save His people?

Memory Verse:

Read Isaiah 25:1 and talk about what it means.

Activity:

Use stuffed animals or puppets to retell the story.





Discussion Questions:

- 1. Who was Elizabeth's son?
- 2. How old was Elizabeth's son in the story?
- 3. What did he do when Mary said hello to Elizabeth?

Memory Verse:

Start memorizing Isaiah 25:1.



Jumping John

You will need:

- paper
- hole punch
- balloon
- wool sweater or hair

Instructions:

- 1. Use hole punch to punch several small circles out of paper. Set them aside in a small pile.
- 2. Blow up and tie balloon. Rub it on a sweater or your hair until your hair starts sticking to it.
- 3. Hold the balloon over the pile of paper circles. John jumped for joy when Jesus (inside Mary) came near him. What do the circles do when the balloon comes near them?





Discussion Questions:

- 1. Who was Mary's baby?
- 2. Who told baby John and Elizabeth who Mary's baby was?
- 3. How much does God the Holy Spirit know?
- 4. Listen to Luke 1:64. What did Zachariah do when he started to speak?

Memory Verse:

Continue reviewing Isaiah 25:1.

ACTIVITY

Praise God using the words of Isaiah 25:1. Clap once as you say each word for the first half of the verse and jump for joy as you say the second half. For even more praises, try singing the words.



READ: Psalm 113:1-9

GREAT JOY





Discussion Questions:

- 1. Who did Mary say she was when the angel told her what God would do?
- 2. What does Psalm 113:1 say servants of the Lord should do?
- 3. How did baby John feel when he was near Jesus?

Memory Verse:

Have your student recite Isaiah 25:1.

ACTIVITY

Isaac Watts wrote the hymn "God Sovereign and Gracious" based on Psalm 113. Try singing it to praise God. The first verse is below. You can find the rest online or in a hymnal.

Ye servants of th' Almighty King, In every age His praises sing; Where'er the sun shall rise or set, The nations shall His praise repeat.









Use this *Student Workbook* to challenge your students from 1st to 2nd grade to understand and apply God's truth through questions and activities.

"For God, who said, 'Let **light** shine out of darkness,' has **shone** in our hearts to **give the light** of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ" (2 Cor. 4:6).

The Lord has illuminated glorious truths to His children through His Word, and they are worth a lifetime of study. **Enough with the fluff! Illuminate Bible Series** introduces students to important theology, engaging both their hearts and their minds.

Each day, students are led **to praise God and exalt Jesus as they see the riches of His grace and glory throughout Scripture**. In each year of study, students will explore a variety of stories and passages of the Bible, examine them in their context, connect them to related Scriptures, mine them for doctrinal truth, and apply them to daily living. In volume 5, students will learn how Jesus is the divine Son of God.

The unchanging truth of God's Word illuminates our path (Ps. 119:105). Whether in the classroom or around the dining room table, **Illuminate Bible Series** can lead students from preschool through 12th grade into daily, in-depth discovery of God's truth.



