

BibleWise

MEMORY WORK

It is so important to encourage our little ones as well as ourselves to memorize Bible verses and stories – to become so familiar with the passage or story that its timeless relevance appears to us more and more clearly with every retelling. A major difference was evident between Sunday school pupils required to tell the story versus those who gave nodding recognition to the same story. A year ago, our pupils were asked to tell Bible stories to the pre-school children. Now they ask all the time when it's their turn to tell a story. We can not overlook the significance of memorizing a verse or story.

Consider sharing with your Sunday school pupils and parents ways to help little ones learn the verse and understand the impact of the message on their lives.

1. Write out or type this week's Bible verse on a card and place it on a mirror the child uses each day.
2. Place the verse for the week in his/her lunch box.
3. Ask the child to recite the verse before or after grace at the dinner meal.
4. Practice as a family at dinner, going around the table with each one saying a word until the verse is complete.
5. Put the verse to music. Create your own tune for each Bible verse. Create pictures to help remember the verse.
6. Write it in a Bible verse notebook as many times as you can.

Bible Verses

Work with your child and your students to learn each verse. Then, discuss the meaning of the verse and how it can be applied to our everyday lives. On Sundays during class, riding in the car, or at dinner, it's fun to share stories of how the children have used the verse in their lives that week.

We provide memorization verses for each week. You can add your own.

Sunday Sept. 3 Col 2:8

Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. Who would try to spoil us?

- What kind of philosophy should we beware of?
- What is "vain deceit?"
- What are the traditions of men?

Sunday 10th Col 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

- What does "admonish" mean?
- How do we use psalms and hymns to admonish?
- What song does your heart sing?

Sunday 17th Col 1:10

That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

- Where do we begin to increase our knowledge of God?
- What is our work?
- What does it mean to be "fruitful?"

Sunday 24 Col 4:6

Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

- What does it mean to season our speech with salt?
- What does grace mean?
- Why should our conversations be gracious?

Sunday October 1 Col 3:2

Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

- What is affection?

- How do we set our affections on things above?

Bible Stories

This is a good time to review the books of the Bible and help pupils tell the related Bible stories.

- Prayer of Jabez - Read I Chronicles 4:10 [Shep and Lily [Prayer of Jabez](#)]
- Abraham's Prayer - Read Genesis 15, 18, and 21 or [Abraham's Prayer](#)
- Elijah - Read I Kings 17 or [God Sends Food Every Day](#) or [Elijah the Prophet: Why Birds Fed a Prophet by a Brook Near Jordan](#);
- Nehemiah - Read Nehemiah or [Nehemiah Builds the Wall](#); or [How the Walls of Jerusalem were Rebuilt](#)
- Build on the rock - Read Matt. 7:24-27 or [Two Houses](#)
- Sermon on the Mount - Read Matt 5-7 or [The Sermon on the Mountain-side](#)
- Phoenician Woman - Read Matt 15:21-29 or Mark 7:24-30 or [How Jesus Answered a Mother's Prayer](#).

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