

With HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum, toddlers and 2-year-old children will



GROW SPIRITUALLY

Toddlers and 2-year-old children will know these important facts:

- God made all things
- God loves and cares for them
- God is kind
- God wants them to love Him
- Jesus loves them
- Jesus is their friend
- The Bible is God's special book
- The Bible tells about Jesus
- Church is a happy place

Toddlers and 2-year-old children will show these godly attitudes:

- Enjoy trying to sing a song about God or clapping when the teacher leads
- Listen to and may pray simple prayers to God
- Enjoy trying to follow an action rhyme
- Feel love toward God, Jesus, and the Bible

Toddlers and 2-year-old children will exhibit these Christlike behaviors:

- Say "Jesus" and "Bible"
- Recognize a picture of Jesus
- Bow their heads when the teacher prays

Toddlers and 2-year-old children will demonstrate these Bible skills:

- Be interested in the Bible and like to pat it and look at it
- Say some Bible words and repeat short phrases

With HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum, preschool children will



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Preschool children will know these important facts:

- God made the world and cares for it
- God made them, loves them, and cares for them
- God gives them a family, friends, and others who help them
- God gives them food, clothing, and a home
- Jesus is God's Son
- Jesus grew from a baby to a boy to a man
- The boy Jesus was a helper; He obeyed His parents and God
- Jesus can do wonderful things because He is God's Son
- Jesus died, but God made Him live again
- Jesus loves them and is their special friend
- Jesus feels sad when they do something they shouldn't
- The Bible is a special book from God and tells them about God and Jesus
- God and Jesus hear them when they pray

Preschool children will show these godly attitudes:

- Love God and Jesus
- Feel special because God made them and loves them
- Feel that Jesus is a friend
- Want to be like Jesus
- Want to pray
- Enjoy hearing Bible stories
- Enjoy singing songs to and about God and Jesus
- Want to obey parents and teachers
- Want to help others

Preschool children will exhibit these Christlike behaviors:

- Be kind to other children
- Give happily to God
- Sing and pray to thank God
- Talk to Jesus as a friend

Preschool children will demonstrate these Bible skills:

- Know to handle the Bible carefully
- Point to and repeat simple Bible words
- Point to main characters in Bible pictures
- Recognize the word *Bible*

With HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum, pre-K and K children will



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Pre-K and K children will know these important facts:

- God loves and cares for them
- God is powerful
- God can help them do what's right
- God wants them to love Him
- God keeps His promises
- God sent baby Jesus; baby Jesus grew up just like them
- Jesus loves them; He is kind, helpful, strong, and forgiving
- Jesus can do wonderful things because He is God's Son
- They please Jesus when they obey God and their parents
- The Bible is God's Word; it tells them about God and Jesus
- They can talk to God whenever they want to

Pre-K and K children will show these godly attitudes:

- Love God and praise Him
- Want to know more about God and the world He made
- Desire to do simple tasks to show love for God, Jesus, and others
- Want to hear Bible stories
- Desire to help others
- Desire to do right things
- Show a willingness to share with others
- Desire to obey God and parents

Pre-K and K children will exhibit these Christlike behaviors:

- Talk to God, giving thanks and praise, as well as asking for help
- Ask questions about God, Jesus, and the Bible
- Sing songs about God, Jesus, and the Bible
- Tell others about Jesus
- Be kind and helpful to family and others
- Say a thank-you prayer before each meal

Pre-K and K children will demonstrate these Bible skills:

- Know there are two parts of the Bible, an Old and New Testament
- Know the Bible is made up of different books and begin to recognize names of Bible books
- Know how to open and hold the Bible correctly
- Begin to read simple Bible words and say simple Bible verses from memory
- Retell basic facts about main Bible characters
- Begin to sequence events in main Bible stories
- Recognize by sight, words such as *God*, *Jesus*, and *Bible*
- Know simple definitions of basic Bible terms, such as *worship*, *pray*, and *church*

With HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum, early elementary children will



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Early elementary children will know these important facts:

- Only God and Jesus deserve their worship
- Jesus is God's Son; Jesus is their Savior and friend
- They celebrate Christmas because it's the birthday of Jesus
- The most special thing Jesus ever did was die for them and come back to life
- God expects them to obey Him and His Word
- The Bible tells them all they need to know about God and Jesus
- Miracles show that Jesus is God's Son

Early elementary children will show these godly attitudes:

- Love God, feel He is special, and want to worship Him
- Love Jesus and want to follow His example
- Feel confident and willing to tell about Jesus
- Feel sorry for doing wrong things and want to do right
- Feel confident and capable of choosing to do what's right
- Want to do their best work at school, home, and church
- Feel sad when others are hurt, and happy when good things happen to others

Early elementary children will exhibit these Christlike behaviors:

- Worship God in a variety of ways
- Follow Jesus' example of being a good friend
- Choose to do what God says is right
- Tell others about Jesus
- Pray sentence prayers, asking God for help or forgiveness and thanking God
- Bring a Bible to church and begin to read it
- Share possessions with others

Early elementary children will demonstrate these Bible skills:

- Begin to understand the major emphasis of the Old and New Testaments
- Learn to read and pronounce names of Old and New Testament books
- Understand what the punctuation marks mean in a Scripture reference
- Know how to find Bible verses
- Identify Old and New Testament main characters
- Develop Bible-reading comprehension skills

With HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum, middle elementary kids will



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Middle elementary kids will know these important facts:

- God is their creator, Jesus is God's Son, and the Holy Spirit is their helper and guide
- God meets their needs
- God hears their prayers and answers them in the way He knows is best
- God loves them and sent His Son to die for them
- *Sin* means doing wrong things and not doing the right things they know they should do
- Their baptism shows they believe in Jesus' power over sin and death
- God is willing to forgive them when they do wrong things
- The Lord's Supper reminds them that Jesus died for their sins
- They can tell others about Jesus

Middle elementary kids will show these godly attitudes:

- Desire to worship God
- Feel a sense of belonging to their church
- Be aware of the need for salvation
- Trust God to help overcome fears and temptations
- Want to share and help others
- Accept people of other races, nationalities, and abilities as people whom God loves
- Understand that God has plans for their lives

Middle elementary kids will exhibit these Christlike behaviors:

- Pray regularly, including prayer for others
- Read the Bible regularly
- Give some of their money to God
- Invite others to attend Sunday school and worship
- Put God first in plans and activities
- Exhibit fair play and obey game rules
- Tell the truth even when it's not easy
- Show respect for those in authority

Middle elementary kids will demonstrate these Bible skills:

- Begin to understand the chronology of Bible events, that there's an overall story or theme to the Bible, that history is God's story
- Better understand the structure of the Bible
- Navigate within the Bible (both a printed Bible and a digital Bible) to find stories or verses or topics they want to know more about
- Learn the major emphasis of the Old and New Testaments
- Begin to understand the major emphasis of each division of books in the Old and New Testaments
- Grasp why it's important to read and study the Bible
- Learn how to use a Bible dictionary (printed, online, and app)
- Feel increasingly confident when using the Bible

With HeartShaper® Children's Curriculum, preteens will



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Preteens will know these important facts:

- God created, loves, and values each person
- Sin separates people from God, but God's forgiveness provides the way back to Him
- God continually provides for His people
- God's plan from the beginning included sending His Son to earth
- A growing relationship with God is important
- Jesus, God's Son, wants to be their Savior and friend
- The Holy Spirit is their helper and guide
- Their baptism shows they believe in Jesus' power over sin and death
- The Bible is God's inspired Word and is the guide for their lives

Preteens will show these godly attitudes:

- Desire to worship God
- Show respect for God, themselves, and others
- Want to express thanks to God
- Feel valuable as a child of God
- Accept and love people of other races, nationalities, and abilities as people whom God loves
- Trust God in hard times
- Be aware of the need for personal salvation
- Feel a sense of belonging to their church
- Feel a responsibility to tell others the good news about Jesus
- Want to share and help those in need

Preteens will exhibit these Christlike behaviors:

- Regularly participate in church activities
- Encourage friends to learn about Jesus and begin to tell others the meaning of Bible verses
- Regularly read the Bible and regularly pray for self and others
- Show respect for all those in authority
- Develop God-given abilities to participate in the ministry of the church
- Use Scripture to overcome temptation and solve problems
- Give with increasing generosity to God
- Put God first in their plans and activities
- Serve God by serving others

Preteens will demonstrate these Bible skills:

- Recognize that there are different Bible translations and understand some of the differences
- Find verses in the Bible with increased ease and speed
- Read and explain Bible verses and apply them to everyday life
- Use a Bible dictionary (printed, online, or app) to better understand Scripture texts
- Locate, read, and paraphrase or summarize Bible verses
- Memorize selected Bible passages and talk about their meaning
- Value time spent reading God's Word and use the skills they have acquired in personal Bible study