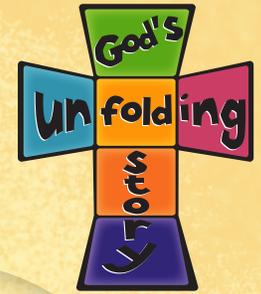


Unit Overview

Jesus Is God's Son



God's Unfolding Story is the entire biblical story told in a way that older preschoolers can understand and learn for life. It is God's grand story of redemption and His kingdom. At the center of that story is Jesus, God's Son. Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah and "redemption of Jerusalem" celebrated by Simeon and Anna in Luke 2:21-39. He was the child who astounded the elders in the temple with His understanding in Luke 2:41-52. Jesus was the "Lamb of God" introduced by John the Baptist in John 1:29. He was the "Messiah, the Son of the Living God" whom Peter confessed in Matthew 16:16. It's clear from the Bible that God sent Jesus to help us. We need a Savior, a Redeemer and a Messiah. We need help, and Jesus is our help! This unit will introduce a year-long study of the New Testament for older preschoolers. Most units will be about Jesus and what He has done for us. Some units will be about the early church and its leaders. The final unit will be about the future.

God calls us to tell His story to our children and grandchildren (Deut. 4:9). This New Testament study will help preschoolers learn about what God did for us in Jesus Christ. It also will help them see there is a place for them in God's story now through the church, as well as teach them that God has a glorious future planned for His people. This unit will provide the following lessons:

Lesson 1: "God's Unfolding Story" (All of the Bible)
Bible Truth: The Bible is the story of God.

Lesson 2: "Simeon and Anna Saw Jesus" (Luke 2:21-39)
Bible Truth: God helps me know about Jesus.

Lesson 3: "Where Was Jesus?" (Luke 2:41-52)
Bible Truth: God helps me know about Jesus.

Lesson 4: "John Told About Jesus" (Mark 1:1-8; Luke 3:1-18)
Bible Truth: God helps me know about Jesus.

Lesson 5: "Peter Recognized Jesus" (Luke 5:1-11)
Bible Truth: God helps me know about Jesus.

Kingdom Perspective

Jesus is the promised Messiah and King of the Old Testament who inaugurated the kingdom of God when He came and gave His life on the cross to atone for sin. Jesus had many titles. Whatever we may call Him, He certainly was God's Son!

Making the Most of "Jesus Is God's Son" Unit from *God's Unfolding Story for Older Preschoolers*

The lesson plans and related resources for the above lessons can be downloaded from SundaySchoolZone.com/NT01. In addition, there are a number of other helpful articles and resources on the website that can help you be an effective teacher and make the most of this unit. Below is a list of helpful articles you can link to or download in "Getting Started with God's Unfolding Story."

The Session Schedule
God's Unfolding Story Cube
Lesson Components
Who Developed this Stuff?
Parent Partnership
Why Are We Using Yahweh to Refer to God?
Materials and Supplies
What We Believe
God's Unfolding Story Study Plan
Preschoolers are Incredible People!
Where Is this Going?