

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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Unit 1, Session 4

CONNECTION POINT:

Jesus meets the needs in our lives.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: Many people relegate Jesus to solely the spiritual realm—as though the spiritual life is separate from all other areas of life. Jesus saves the whole person. He seeks to help us and sustain us in every area of life—and we can trust Him to do so. As Jesus meets our every need, we can be a conduit of His care in the lives of others.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to live out his or her faith.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: Philemon

Live It Out: Write *All that the Bible says is from God. 2 Timothy 3:16* on a paper strip. Read the words and allow your child to decorate the strip for a Bible marker.

Paul met a man named Onesimus. Paul told Onesimus that Jesus loved him and wanted him to do what is right.

To help his friend, Onesimus, Paul wrote a letter to Philemon. The letter Paul wrote is in the Bible. It contains words like this to Philemon:

Dear Philemon, I am Paul, your friend, who told you about Jesus. I thank God for you. I pray for you, and I thank God for the love you are showing to people.

I am writing this letter for my new friend, Onesimus. He has learned about Jesus. I am sending Onesimus to see you. I am asking you to treat him like he is a member of your family. Keep praying for me. I hope to see you soon.

Paul gave the letter to Onesimus. Onesimus took the letter to Philemon.

KIDS

Scripture: Galatians 1:1-9; 5:13–6:10

Live It Out: Review the Bible story. Find Bible verses that talk about love, joy, peace, and others that are named. Help your child memorize Galatians 5:22-23.

Some people in Galatia were preaching untrue things about the gospel of Jesus causing others to turn away from what Paul had taught. Paul was shocked at the lies he heard. He wrote a letter to the churches in Galatia to help them know the truth.

Paul knew the Holy Spirit would always tell people to obey God. Paul taught them to love each other and to be led by God's Spirit instead of doing wrong, hurtful things.

Paul listed nine things he called the fruit of the Spirit. He wrote that when Christians let the Holy Spirit be their Helper, the results are the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Paul encouraged believers to resist the temptation to do wrong. He encouraged them to stay strong and not give up, help one another, and never get tired from doing good.

STUDENTS

Scripture: John 6:1-15

- Why do you think Jesus felt such compassion for the crowd?
- When have you felt like God might be calling you to be a part of something impossible?
- How have you experienced Jesus's power in real ways?

Live It Out: When Jesus was on the earth, He felt compassion toward the needy and worked to serve the people He encountered in real ways. Today, Jesus intercedes before the Father on our behalf as an expression of His care.

Jesus miraculously met the needs of the crowd as a sign that pointed to who He is. We might not be able to multiply bread and fish, but we can definitely meet others' needs. In fact, serving those in need is an important part of following Jesus (James 1:27). This week, encourage your student to meet a practical need of someone at his or her school.