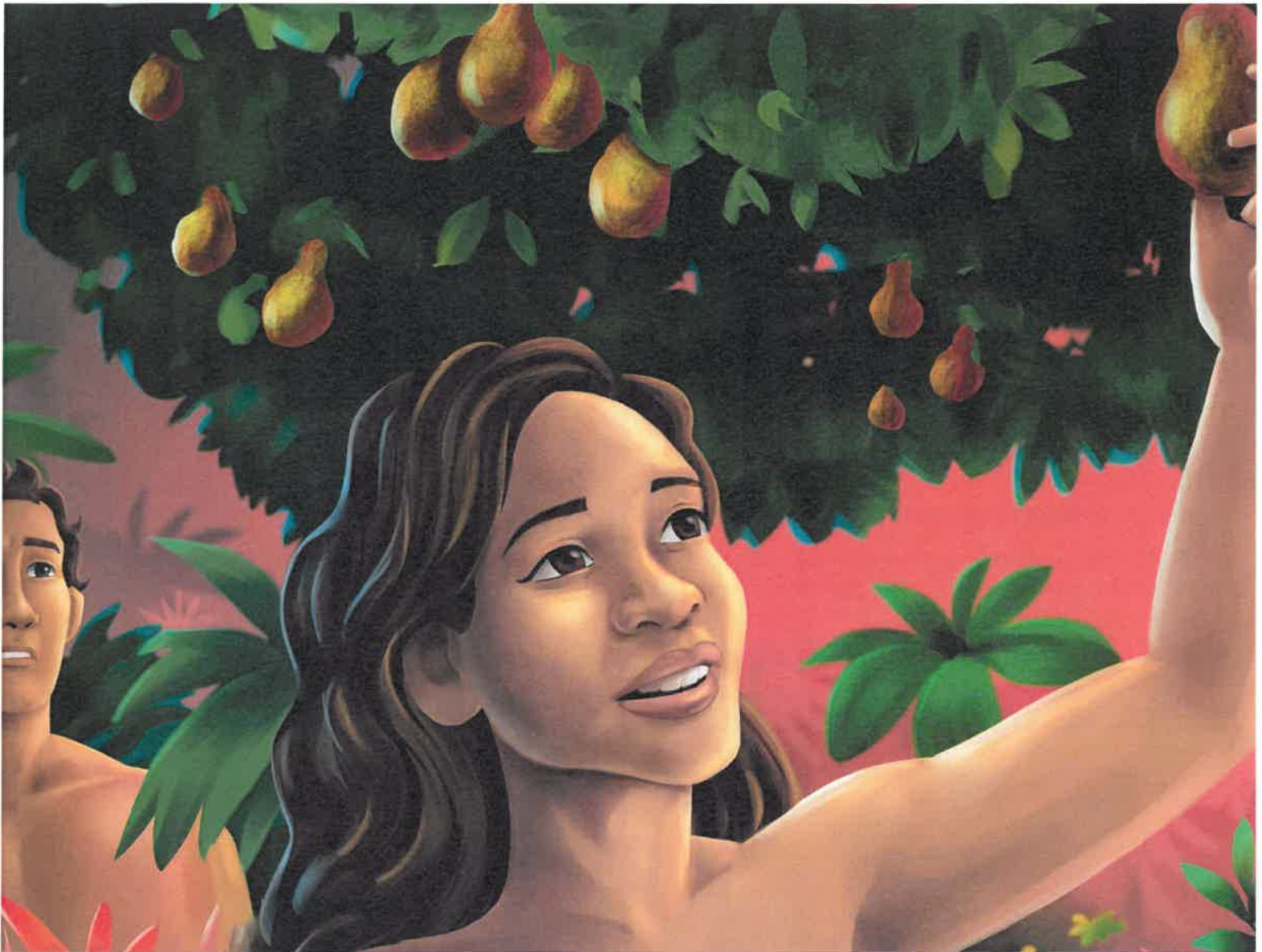


Grades 1-3 Lesson Template

Where	Who and What	What you Need
Classroom	Teacher takes attendance Give students a sticker	Paper on table, check off who is here, put onto the clipboard
	<p>Sessions Starter: Option 1: Where is it?</p> <p>Hand out the different papers to the kids. Turn on the black light and see what the pictures reveal. Do the "say" part on the leaders guide.</p> <p>Can also do option 2: Tape included in bin.</p>	<p>Leaders guide Papers Blacklights</p>
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Shena. She'll get you when ready.	
Classroom:	<p>Page 24 Love God by Applying the Story:</p> <p>Hand out Bibles Do the review and Bible skills section, as well as the group discussion questions</p>	<p>Leaders Guide Bibles</p>
	Worksheet: Fill in answers about the fall	Worksheet
	Activity choice: Option 2: Big Story Game	<p>Leaders Guide -Dice -Objects for markers</p>

SIN ENTERED THE WORLD

GENESIS 2-3



KEY PASSAGE: Psalm 104:24

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: Who is God? God is our Creator and the King of everything.

CHRIST CONNECTION: Adam and Eve sinned when they rejected God's good plan and disobeyed His command. Sin separates people from God, but God didn't leave them without hope. God sent His Son, Jesus, to live as Adam didn't—perfectly sinless. God the Son came to earth as a man to rescue people from sin.

STORY POINT: Sin is disobeying God and His commands.



WELCOME Kids

Greet each kid as he or she arrives. Use this time to collect the offering, fill out attendance sheets, build relationships, and help new kids connect to your group.

SAY “What are some rules you have in your home or at school? Why do you have these rules? Do you always obey them? Why?”

1 ACTIVITY PAGE (5 minutes)

Invite kids to complete “The Fall” activity page.

SAY “Today, we will learn how sin entered the world through Adam and Eve’s disobedience. Now, all people have sinned.”

2 SESSION STARTER (10 minutes)

☐ OPTION 1: WHERE IS IT?

Before the session, use a cotton swab to draw pictures with petroleum jelly on five pieces of white paper. For example, you might draw a heart, a sun, a snake, a tree, etc. Be sure to not saturate the paper with the jelly.

Tape the papers to a wall. Form kids into groups of three or four and give each group a black light. Invite groups to use their black lights to uncover the hidden pictures on the paper. After all groups have found the hidden pictures, invite kids to tell you what pictures they saw.

SAY “At first, the pictures were ‘hidden.’ But when you used your special light, you uncovered them. In today’s Bible story, we will learn how Adam and Eve tried to hide from God because they sinned. **SIN IS DISOBEYING GOD AND HIS COMMANDS.** But Adam and Eve couldn’t hide from God. God sees and knows everything. God also comes to find sinners because He wants to show them forgiveness. Let’s get ready to learn about a promise God made to save people from sin.”

☐ OPTION 2: FALL SHORT



Before the session, place a piece of painter’s tape on a wall, close to the ceiling. Make sure the tape is high enough so kids will not be able to reach it. Lead kids to line up about 4 feet from the wall. Instruct kids to take a running start and jump to touch the tape. Allow each kid an opportunity to try. Then lead kids to step back about 6 feet from the wall and try again.

SAY “Even when you had a longer running start, no one was able to reach the tape. This reminds me of how we all fall short of God’s perfect measure. When God made the world, He created people to reflect Him. We are made to show others what God is like. Today, we will learn how sin entered the world, and now because of sin, all people fall short of showing others what God is like. We fail to always love Him and obey Him.”

Transition from **WELCOME** to **LEARN**





THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

LOVE God by Applying the Story

1 REVIEW & BIBLE SKILLS (5 minutes)

Distribute Bibles and display the Old Testament Mediterranean Map. Guide kids to open their Bibles to Genesis 3. Explain that the Bible has big story lines: Creation, Fall, Redemption, and Restoration. Tell kids that it has always been God's plan for people to live with Him and how He made a way for sin to be forgiven through Jesus.

Consider pointing out the location of the Euphrates River (E11) on the Old Testament Mediterranean Map where this story may have taken place. Choose a volunteer to read aloud Genesis 3:15,21 or ask the kids to follow along as you read the verses aloud.

SAY **SIN IS DISOBEYING GOD AND HIS COMMANDS.** Adam and Eve sinned because they didn't obey God's command. All people sin because we all disobey God. But God made a promise to send a Rescuer to save people from their sin. Jesus came to earth and never sinned. He died on the cross so that all who trust in Him would have their sin washed away and would be forgiven. Through Jesus, we can obey God and His commands.

2 GROUP DISCUSSION (10 minutes)

Ask the following questions. Lead the group to discuss.

SAY What is sin? How did Adam and Eve sin?

Tell kids that **SIN IS DISOBEYING GOD AND HIS COMMANDS.** Discuss how every person sins because like Adam and Eve, we choose to do what we think is best and disobey what God says is best. Remind kids that Adam and Eve disobeyed God's command and chose to do what they thought was right. Tell kids that sin causes brokenness in the world and in our relationships with others, including God.

SAY Why do you think our sin makes us want to hide from God like Adam and Eve?

Answers will vary. Discuss how Adam and Eve hid because they were afraid. Tell kids that when we recognize we are sinners, a natural response is fear of a holy God. Explain that our sin reveals our guilt and that it deserves to be punished. Remind kids that through faith in Jesus, we are no longer guilty of sin and are brought back to God.

SAY What can we do when we sin?

Tell kids that when we sin, we don't need to hide like Adam and Eve or blame others for our sin. Help kids understand that we can come to God and ask Him to forgive our sins. Explain how Jesus came to save us from sin by dying on the cross. Share how anyone can trust in Jesus, freely confess their sin to God, and be forgiven of sin.

Transition from **LOVE** to **LIVE**





LIVE the Mission



1 ACTIVITY CHOICE (10 minutes)

☐ OPTION 1: TRUE OR FALSE?





Provide each kid with a piece of paper and a marker. Instruct kids to write True on one side and False on the other. Lead kids to listen to the statements you say and determine if they are true or false. Direct kids to hold up either True or False. Consider using the following examples:

- God said Adam and Eve could eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. (false)
- The serpent said Adam and Eve would not die if they disobeyed God's command. (true)
- Eve obeyed God's command and did not eat the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. (false)
- Adam blamed Eve for his sin. (true)
- God's commands are good. (true)

SAY  **SIN IS DISOBEYING GOD AND HIS COMMANDS.** But God promised a Rescuer, Jesus, would come to save people from their sin. Jesus did come! Everyone who trusts in Jesus is forgiven of all their sin! 

☐ OPTION 2: BIG STORY GAME

Form kids into pairs and provide each pair with a "Big Story Game" printable and a dice. Provide each kid with a game piece such as a penny. Direct kids to follow the directions of the game to make it through each of the big storylines found in the Bible: Creation, Fall, Redemption, and Restoration. Tell kids that whoever reaches the end of the game first wins! (Tip: Laminate the gameboard to use as a review game at later dates.)

SAY  This game took us through some of the big stories of the Bible. The Bible is one big story that tells us how God made a way for us to be saved through Jesus. We need to be saved because all people sin. The good news God gives us in His Word is that we can be saved by faith in Jesus. He is the Rescuer God promised Adam and Eve would come! 

2 REFLECTION AND PRAYER (5 minutes)

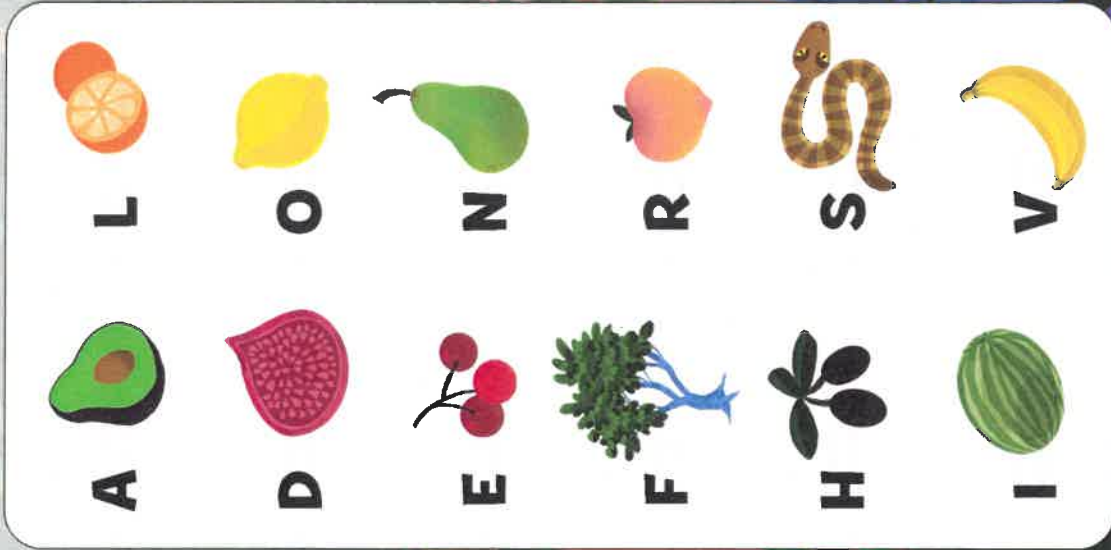
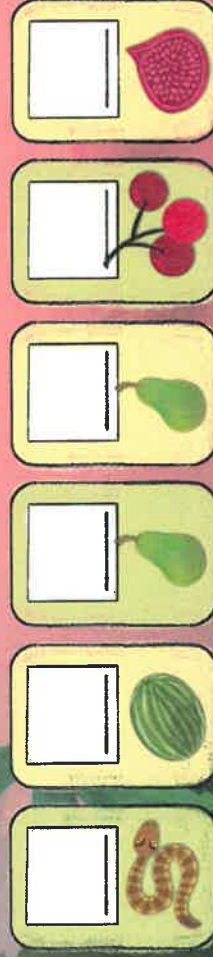
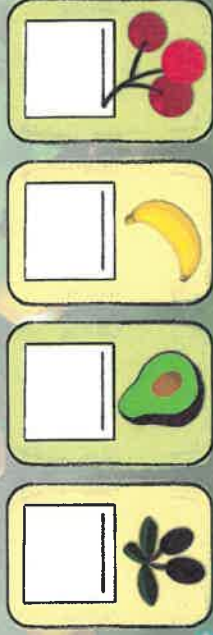
Distribute a sheet of paper and pencil to each kid. Ask the kids to write about or draw a picture to answer the following questions:

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Who can I tell about this story?

Be sure to send the sheets home with the kids along with the activity pages so parents can continue to discuss the Bible story with their kids. If time remains, take prayer requests or allow kids to complete the Bible story coloring page. Pray for your group.

The Fall

INSTRUCTIONS: Decode the message to learn what happened because Adam and Eve disobeyed God.



AND FALL SHORT OF
THE GLORY OF GOD.
ROMANS 3:23

NAME: _____



Sin Entered the World

Genesis 2-3

STORY POINT:

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KEY PASSAGE:

Psalms 104:24

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

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use at home!

Adam and Eve sinned. Go back 3 spaces.

Start at Creation



God created people. Move ahead 1 space.



God judged sin and flooded the earth. Go back 2 spaces.

God made a promise to bless the world through Abraham. Move ahead 1 space.

**God sent His Son,
Jesus, to earth.
Move ahead 1
space.**

God promised King David that a forever King would sit on the throne. Move ahead 1 space.	God rescued His people from Egypt through Moses. Move ahead 2 spaces.
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The Israelites became slaves in Egypt. Go back 1 space.

Jesus died on the cross for our sins. Then He rose again. Move ahead 3 spaces.



The Holy Spirit came, and the church began. Move ahead 1 space.

**The church grew
in the world.
Move ahead 1
space.**



End at the New Heaven and Earth

Directions: Roll the dice to see who rolls the highest number. The player with the higher number goes first. Players will take turns rolling the dice and moving their game piece the number of spaces they roll. The first player to reach the end wins!

