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Resources for Children's Faith Formation

Bible Quiz Bee: a bible facts game for kids.

Abingdon, 1989. 268.432 BIB

Includes dozens of quiz cards and suggests seven ways to play Bible games.

Postmodern Children's Ministry: Ministry to children in the 21st century.

Beckwith, Ivy. Zondervan, 2004. 268.432 Bec

Examines the impact that postmodernism has on the church and offers ideas for keeping children engaged in spiritual development while preparing them for the future. How to develop family and intergenerational worship, use spiritual disciplines and ancient practices with children, build positive peer communities, more.

Beautiful in God's Eyes: building character, wisdom and faith in young women.

Bryant, Sharon Kennamer. Abingdon, 2001. 268.432 Bry

Examines the lives of several Biblical women, contrasting the world's standards of beauty, which can lead to poor self-image, with God's standards, which uphold courage, leadership, loyalty, service, worship and prayer.

Bible Brain Breaks for children of all ages.

Bruce, Barbara. Abingdon, 2004. 268.432 BRU

Losing your students due to boredom, frustration or disinterest? After extended periods of effort, the brain needs short "breaks" that allow it to re-charge. The one-two minute activities in this book are designed to be Bible-centered learning activities, for use in class-

rooms for children, adults and youth.

Teaching Kids Authentic Worship: How to keep them close to God for life.

Chapman, Kathleen. Baker Books, 2003. 264 Cha

Chapman claims that authentic worship is the key to maintaining a relationship with God. She offers practical suggestions and over fifty ideas for worship moments that will help kids become excited about knowing God.

Bible Verse Fun With Kids: 200+ ideas and activities that help children learn and live scripture.

Dingwall, Cindy. Abingdon, 2004. 268.432 DIN

Includes puzzles, games and crafts to help children learn Bible stories and service projects.

I Will Be Your Friend: songs and activities for young peacemakers.

Teaching Tolerance, Southern Poverty Law Center, 2003. J 783 WIL

A wonderful collection of songs with peace and justice themes. Includes a CD and lots of accompanying ideas for use in many settings with children.

In Wisdom and Stature: young men growing in God.

Flegel, Gary L. Abingdon, 2001. 268.432 FLE

Helps boys understand how to grow into young men of faith. Examines the lives of eleven men of the Bible to discover the traits that made them strong.

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Flood Punch, Bowl Bread and Group Soup: 60 multi-age activities for Christian kids.

Flinn, Lisa and Barbara Younger. Abingdon, 2001. 268.432 FLI

Helps kids understand the connections between the foods they are enjoying and the message of the Bible. Includes complete programs and also shorter activities to supplement Sunday School. Each based on a passage of scripture and offers recipes, an activity.

Quick Start Drama for Kids: No Rehearsal Bible Skits for Classroom or Performance.

Goodwin, Debbie Salter. Lillenas, 2005. 812.54 Goo

Use imagination, props, hats and other ideas to engage children in a sketch or interactive story. Each is based on Biblical story, for grades 1-6.

Children's Activities for the Christian Year.

Halverson, Delia. Abingdon, 2004. 268.432 Hal

Intro to symbols and colors of each season, learning activities, reproducible pages with puzzles, litanies, songs and readings, active games, worship suggestions.

Teaching Prayer in the Classroom: experiences for children and youth.

Halverson, Delia. Abingdon, 2003. 268.432 Hal

Offers step-by step activities that engage children and youth in a variety of creative and meaningful prayer practices. Includes many age-level insights, reproducible handouts and offer suggestions to help parents use prayer with their children at home.

Teaching the Lord's Prayer for children 7 – 9.

Halverson, Delia. Abingdon, 2004. 268.432 Hal

Includes materials for six lessons: activities, puzzles, music and reproducible handouts all reinforce the various phrases of the Lord's Prayer. Would be good for a Wednesday night series for children.

Sharable Parables: Creative storytelling ideas for ages 3-12.

James, Steven. Standard Pub., 2005. 268.432 Jam

Includes practical ideas and tips for developing more effective storytelling skills and techniques. Each chapter includes background information on the biblical passage, ready-to-use, interactive ideas for retelling Jesus' stories, and more.

Basic Bible Skills: Active skill-builders for exploring God's word.

Lingo, Susan L. Standard, 2005. 268.432 Lin BAS

Features various games, songs, crafts, and more that will help kids get to know, understand, and apply the Bible. Includes puzzle pages, take-home handouts, flash cards, and other reproducible pages.

101 Simple Service Projects Kids Can Do: Creative ways to touch families, communities, and the world!

Lingo, Susan L. Standard Pub., 2000. 268.432 Lin

Features service projects, centered in Scripture verses, that help kids put the Bible into action. Includes supplementary stories and anecdotes, reproducible care cards, and a directory of several service organizations.

Helping Kids Include Kids with Disabilities.

Newman, Barbara J. Faith Alive, 2001. 259.44 New

Equips teachers, church activity leaders and kids with the information they need to practice inclusive education. Includes info about areas of impairment, lesson plans, and understanding children with special needs.

1001 Ways to Introduce Your Child to Bible.

Reimer, Kathie. Broadman 2002. 268.432 REI

A brief synopsis of each book of the Bible and the major people, places, stories. Plus hundreds of activities to make learning fun and informative.

Praise God with Paper Bags.

Stohs, Anita Reith. Concordia Pub. House, 2004. 268.432 STO

Creative ideas for using everyday items to make connections to the Bible. Features 50 classroom-tested craft ideas that take a paper bag and turn it into a lesson. Includes simple patterns and easy-to-follow directions.

Seeing Red: an anger management and peacemaking curriculum for kids.

Simmonds, Jennifer. New Society, 2003. 372.19 SIM

Using a small group process, this 12-session curriculum helps students understand anger, make healthy choices, control behavior and build strong relationships. Could use all or part for a mid-week study.

