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ADULT BIBLE STUDY GUIDE



Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guide is prepared each quarter by the General Conference Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department. It comes in several different formats and is available in eighteen different languages. To order, please contact your local church Sabbath School secretary, or your conference ABC.*

The Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guide is available in the following formats:

Adult Quarterly Looseleaf Quarterly Large Print Quarterly Teachers Quarterly Teachers Looseleaf Quarterly Teachers Large Print Easy Reading Quarterly Audio CD Quarterly

GOOD TO KNOW

THE FOUR BASIC OBJECTIVES OF SABBATH SCHOOL TEACHERS

- To teach the Bible
- To develop character
- To inspire to service
- To result in regeneration



NEW MEMBERS' BIBLE STUDY GUIDE

In Step With Jesus

As a result of numerous expressions of need from leadership and local churches, the General

Conference Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department has produced this helpful resource for both the fellowship

and outreach purposes of Sabbath School. The New Members' Bible Study Guide, In Step With Jesus, offers a multi-faceted introduction to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, providing a balance of content and socialization that will encourage new members to become fully engaged in church life.

One of the additional strengths of this resource is

that with its undated weekly lessons, teachers or leaders of groups of new members may begin its utilization at any time during the year. There is no need to wait for the beginning of a guarter. To order, contact your local church SS Secretary, or call your conference ABC.

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The Power of Mission

A FOUR-QUARTER CURRICULUM **DESIGNED FOR NEW MEMBERS**

- Four augrterly Bible study auides for the student
- Four corresponding teacher/leader guides to provide transformational, interactive tools for aroup studies
- A website where new members may explore a rich array of content, commentary, and other creative resources (see www.InStepWithJesus.org)

Building a "Great Commission"

Sabbath School — A "Great Commission" Sabbath School is one that puts significant emphasis on soul winning and various types of outreach projects. Here are some components, taken mostly from the writings of Ellen G. White, that help integrate outreach activities into your Sabbath School, and three practical factors for building your Great Commission Sabbath School:

Component 1:	Have a clear evangelistic vision	Factor 1
Component 2:	Educate the members	

- **Component 3:** Learn outreach strategies
- **Component 4:** Implement outreach strategies
- 1: Identity—SS classes and programming should be designed to provide a sense of belonging.
- Factor 2: Meeting people's needs-When people choose a SS class they first look for fellowship or attend with friends.
- Factor 3: Training new teachers/facilitators—An often overlooked but vitally important and integral part of a dynamic SS.

E. G. WHITTE NOTTES



E. G. White Notes[®] is one of the best Sabbath School lesson supplements you can have. Spirit of Prophecy comments about the lesson topic are arranged for daily study to coordinate with the *Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guide*. Gain a depth and breadth of insight and increased understanding of what the Bible says and how it applies to your life. Enjoy the blessings provided in this rich commentary of inspired statements.

A Testimony:

"I've just started using the E. G. White Notes along with my Sabbath School Quarterly and I just love it! I've found it's so much easier to understand the lesson now. It's a real blessing to me."

—Art Davis, SS member, Parma, Idaho



COUNSELS ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK

"The student of the Sabbath School should be in earnest, should dig deep and search with the greatest care for the precious gems of truth in the weekly lessons . . . When we search the Word of God, angels are by our side, reflecting bright beams of light upon its sacred pages" (pp. 22-24).

SHARING SCRIPTURE

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COUNSELS ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK

"Teachers in the Sabbath School have a missionary field given them to teach the Scriptures . . . We must search the Scriptures, not merely to rush through a chapter and repeat it, taking no pains to understand it, but we must dig for the jewel of truth which will enrich the mind, and fortify the soul against the wiles and temptations of the archdeceiver" (pp. 18-20).

Sharing Scripture[®] is prepared by the NAD Center for Creative Ministry for Sabbath School classes that utilize the small group concept and follow a more relational approach to the study and application of the Scriptures. The *Sharing Scripture* guides are reproducible (so you only need one packet per class per quarter) and can be used alone or as a supplement to the standard *Adult Sabbath School Bible Study Guides*.



Features of Sharing Scripture:

Have you ever wondered if anyone is learning anything in Sabbath School? Are you reaching everyone God gave you to teach? Sabbath School is more than sitting and listening to a lecture. It's about:

- Interaction between group members
- Asking "why" questions
- Trying out new ideas
- Being stretched to consider new possibilities
- Personalizing what each person learns

Sharing Scripture helps move small groups and Sabbath School classes into new opportunities of interaction and learning. *Sharing Scripture* is a simple tool to engage class or group members through a variety of learning activities with little preparation.

GUIDE

AGES 10-14



Guide Magazine[®] is a weekly magazine published in the United States by Pacific Press[®] Publishing Association. It is created and designed to assist in Junior and Earliteen Sabbath Schools for kids ages 10-14. To order, contact your local church SS Secretary, or call your conference ABC.

Understanding Their Need—The Why of Misbehavior

A calm Sabbath School room can be a strange place for some children. They haven't experienced anything like it before, so they have no idea how to behave. We all have special relational needs. When these needs are met, we feel loved, special, and hopeful. Many children haven't had these needs met, and they are hungry to experience positive relationships. Some have already picked up sad messages, such as "I'll never be any good," "No one really likes me," and "No matter how hard I try to be good, no one ever notices." You can be a key person in helping to transform the unhelpful messages in their brain and unlocking their potential for positive behavior.

GOOD TO KNOW

QUESTIONS TO ASK WHEN A CHILD IS MISBEHAVING

- Affection—Does this child need some appropriate affection such as a warm smile, kind word, or pat on the back?
- Acceptance—Does this child need to know you'll always love them, even if they fail?
- Attention—How can you show this child some positive attention?
- Blessing—Send them cards or letters during the week to let them know you care.
- Encouragement—What are their goals and how can you encourage them?
- **Respect**—However disrespectful they are to you, they will learn respect only if you are respectful in return.



GRACELINK



Real Time Faith® is the General Conference Sabbath School curriculum for Earliteens offering an application-oriented study of Scripture. Student quarterlies and Leaders Guides are available.



Primary Sing-A-Long CD

contains 13 songs to encourage your child to hide God's Word in their heart.

Primary Memory Verse Card Sets

are also available. They are packaged as a 13-week set of five cards per week.



PowerPoints[®] is the General Conference Sabbath School Bible Study Guide for Juniors. Student quarterlies and Leaders Guides are available.

Primary Bible Study Guide is the General Conference Sabbath School lesson for kids ages 6-9. Student quarterlies and Leaders Guides are available.



These quarterlies are also available in Spanish, French, and Portuguese

GOOD TO KNOW

THE GRACELINK CURRICULUM EMPHASIZES THESE FOUR DYNAMICS OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE:

- GRACE—what God has done for us.
- WORSHIP—our response to what God has done for us.
- COMMUNITY—how we relate to other believers.
- SERVICE—how we relate to unbelievers.

OUR LITTLE FRIEND



Our goal is to help your child:

- understand his/her infinite value to his/her Creator and Redeemer
- learn how to respond to God
- show love to family and friends
- serve others in his/her world
- find fulfillment in participating in the Seventh-day Adventist Church

Our Little Friend[®] is a weekly magazine published in the United States by Pacific Press[®] Publishing Association. It is created and designed to assist in Beginner and Kindergarten Sabbath Schools for children ages 0-5. To order, contact your local church SS Secretary, or call your conference ABC.

GOOD TO KNOW

STORIES — Each 8-page issue is packed full of character-building stories. Two stories reinforce the weekly Sabbath School lesson.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON — The Kindergarten and Beginner's Sabbath School lessons and memory verses are included each week.

MESSAGE — Every issue includes features that help parents reinforce the message.

ROLE MODELS — Every page reinforces positive role models, helping build character and self-confidence.

DO AND SAY — The "Do and Say" feature gives parents ideas for daily activities to reinforce the lesson.

BABY STEPS — A story or poem that infants and toddlers can understand is included every week.

ONE-ON-ONE — Each issue offers colorful images, age-appropriate stories, and fun activities parent and child can enjoy together.

FOR TODDLERS AND PRESCHOOLERS

AGES 0-5

Tips for Being a Great Storyteller—

🏶 ACTING OUT

- Have the children climb into an imaginary boat and go fishing with Peter and the other disciples.
- Let them wave palm branches and shout hosanna with the crowd that welcomes Jesus to Jerusalem.

ACTIVITY STATIONS

- Set up three to 10 stations and tell a progressive story. Let each station be a different part of the story.
- This is best used with stories that naturally progress through different scenarios or circumstances, i.e., Jesus on the cross, the children of Israel, Joseph, or Moses.

MASK-BELIEVE

- Create, or let the children create, masks made from large paper plates attached to tongue depressors.
- Have them hold up the appropriate mask representing the different characters in the story and act it out as someone narrates.

INSTAGRAM IT!

- Use a Polaroid camera or a camera and a printer to take pictures of children as they act out freeze-frame pictures of the story.
- Make a book using the pictures as you review the story.

SILHOUETTE STORY

- Use a large white sheet with a bright light behind it to cast shadows.
- Have an adult or other children strike poses that go with a specific Bible story.
- Ask the children to interpret the story as the silhouettes move to show freeze-frame portions of the story.

🏶 WILD WARDROBE

- Provide several different outfits for the storyteller to wear.
- Have them change their clothes five to 10 times as the story unfolds.
- If your children are older, ask them to do the changing. This can be chaotic, but it is a story-telling experience the kids won't quickly forget.

🏶 TREASURE HUNT

- Hide articles pertaining to the story around the room.
- During (or before) your story, send the children around the room on a treasure hunt.

GOOD TO KNOW

PRESCHOOL STORY TIPS—STORIES FOR THIS AGE GROUP SHOULD BE:

- 1. Very short—2-3 minutes
- 2. Full of action
- 3. Rhythmic—rhythm, rhyme, repetition
- 4. Positively focused
- 5. Simple in vocabulary and concepts
- 6. Well illustrated—pictures, objects, etc.
- 7. About family, home, pets, Bible
- 8. Cut short if the group gets restless
- 9. Think: what is the one thing that is important for the child to take from the story

PRIMARY TREASURE



Each magazine is designed to set young children on the path to becoming curious, creative, caring, compassionate Christians.

Primary Treasure[®] is a weekly magazine published in the United States by Pacific Press[®] Publishing Association. It is created and designed to assist in Primary Sabbath Schools for children ages 6-9. To order, contact your local church SS Secretary, or call your conference ABC.

GOOD TO KNOW

STORIES — Each 16-page issue is packed full of character-building stories helping kids practice the essential skills needed in a Christian's life.

SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON — The Primary Sabbath School lesson and memory verse are included each week.

NATURE FEATURES — Interesting nature stories and highlights are regular features.

PUZZLES AND REBUS — Each issue includes a puzzle and rebus helping kids develop problemsolving skills.

JOSEPH ANDERSON DONETTI — A continued story is included in each issue to help reinforce the week's Bible lesson.

LETTERBOX — Gives kids the opportunity to ask questions and receive advice.

FOR EARLY READERS

AGES 6-9

Making Inclusion a Reality

As people in Christ's ministry, we should be the first to ensure that our churches and Sabbath school classes are inclusive. Unfortunately, disabilities are not always easy to deal with—and none of us sign up

for Sabbaths that are harder than the other days of the week. The reality is that we do have to put forth the effort to be inclusive. Here are a few ideas:

- 1. Make sure your classrooms are handicap-accessible.
- 2. Communicate with the parents—talk about not only the needs of the child, but what you need in order to be effective in your ministry to that child.
- 3. Ask for volunteers other than the parents—they may need the uninterrupted worship time.
- 4. Make all your comments inclusive—speak openly about the differences in the classroom. Disabilities are not shameful, and we should be able to speak openly with one another.
- 5. Enlist the help of others with experience with special needs. Do your homework and learn about the specific disabilities that might exist in your classroom.
- 6. Last—but only because it is most important—pray for wisdom, grace, and endurance.

There are three principles that guide quality inclusive education:

- All children belong: Inclusive education is based on the simple idea that every child is valued equally;
- 2) All children learn in different ways: Inclusion is about providing the help children need to learn and participate in meaningful ways; and
- It is every child's right to be included: Inclusive education is a child's right, not a privilege.

GOOD TO KNOW

FAST FACTS ABOUT DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

- One out of every five people suffers from some sort of disability.
- Jesus performed 35 miracles—27 were for people with disabilities.
- People with disabilities make up the poorest, least educated group in society they are the largest minority group—eighty percent live in abject poverty.
- Depression is considered a disability.
- One in every 600 children in the US has diabetes.
- The disability that brings the most psychological problems is hearing loss.
- People with disabilities are less likely than those without disabilities to socialize with friends, relatives, or neighbors.



SABBATH SCHOOL COMPANION BOOKS

Companion books for the Adult Bible Study Guides



Each quarter Pacific Press[®] Publishing Association publishes a companion book to accompany the Adult Bible Study Guides for that quarter. These companion books are an invaluable resource to Sabbath School members and teachers to enhance and enrich their study of the Sabbath School lessons. To add to your church's SS standing order, contact your SS Secretary. To order individual copies, contact your local ABC or go to AdventistBookCenter.com and click on "Bible Book Shelf" under the Sabbath School tab.



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WORLD MISSIONS

Ideas for Presenting Mission Stories and Reports

The General Conference Office of Adventist Mission produces a DVD containing mission stories that arrives at your church with the regular Sabbath School supplies. It has short segments that you can show at a designated time during Sabbath School. The DVD tells about the world division that receives the current Thirteenth Sabbath Offering and other interesting mission stories. Mission quarterlies for various age groups also arrive at your church with the regular Sabbath School supplies.

The main thing to avoid in presenting a mission story or report is to have somone reading it in a boring tone of voice. There is nothing that will turn off Sabbath School attendees like a boring "talking head."

Here are some excellent ideas on how your Sabbath School can improve the presentation of mission stories and reports.

- CHOOSE A STORY THAT INTERESTS YOU Use your imagination. Let the story you've chosen suggest to you how it should be presented—in first person, third person, as an interview, or by multiple persons.
- LET YOUR MIND CAPTURE THE MAIN IDEA AND THE EVENTS

Remember how easy it is to recite the plot of your favorite television show? Take that same attitude with the mission story—it's okay to get excited!

GOOD TO KNOW

THE FOUR PURPOSES OF SABBATH SCHOOL

- Study the Word
- Fellowship and nurture
- Community outreach
- World mission emphasis

PRACTICE TELLING IT

No one in the audience knows the story better than you do, so no one will know if you leave out a detail.

🏶 RELAX

Focus on the story, not the names. If an unusual name is difficult for you, it's okay to change it.

BE CREATIVE

If you think a mission story would make a good skit, go for it. But remember, the more people you involve and the more props you create, the more time it takes and the greater the chance that something can go wrong. So keep it simple!

🍀 KEEP YOUR PRESENTATION SHORT AND UPBEAT

You're not the only one who will be glad that you can sit down before your given time is up.

PRAY OVER YOUR PRESENTATION

Ask God to speak through you. Then relax. God answers prayers intended to glorify His name.

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Jeremiah

is the Youth Bible Study Guide prepared by the General Conference Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department. This GraceLink curriculum puts a new emphasis on active learning, takes into consideration different learning styles, and provides activities that encourage student interaction. Student quarterlies and Leaders Guides are available.

Collegiate Quarterly

is written by college faculty members, students, and young adults. The quarterly is designed to offer a fresh perspective and an insightful look at the topics discussed by the *Adult Bible Study Guides*. Student and Teachers quarterlies are available.

These quarterlies are also available in Spanish

GOOD TO KNOW

ON TEACHING THE YOUTH ...

"Exert every influence you can possibly command to interest them in the Scriptures. Labor for their souls, that they themselves shall become zealous workers, using their talents to impart to others that which has been imparted to them" (*Counsels on Sabbath School Work*, p. 12).



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SABBATH SCHOOL TOOLBOX

The General Conference Sabbath School and Personal Ministries Department has a long history of providing materials and resources for

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SABBATH SCHOOL TOOLBOX:

- An idea tool you can carry with your Bible.
- Its ideas allow you creativity and innovation as a Sabbath School leader.
- It provides concise, inspirational how-to information for Adult Sabbath School teachers and leaders.
- Includes many ideas on how to run an inspirational SS.

Sabbath School personnel in local churches. **Sabbath School Toolbox**[®] is dedicated to supplying what the name implies: ideas and "cool tools" you can use in your Sabbath School. Each quarterly issue of *Sabbath School Toolbox*[®] will include many ideas on how to organize and run an efficient and inspirational Sabbath School program and is an excellent resource for pastors, Sabbath School superintendents, officers, and teachers. To order, contact your local church SS Secretary, or call your conference ABC.



KINDERGARTEN & BEGINNER

Kindergarten & Beginner Bible Study Guides are the General Conference GraceLink Sabbath School lessons for ages 4-5 and 0-3, respectively. Student quarterlies and Leaders Guides are available.

These quarterlies are also available in Spanish, French, and Portuguese





Beginners MemoryLinks to

Grace are the Memory Verse Cards that coordinate with the *Beginner Bible Study Guides*. These weekly memory verse cards come as a 13-week set of five cards per week, and each memory verse is presented in both English and Spanish.





Kindergarten Memory Verse Cards coordinate with the Kindergarten Bible Study Guides. These weekly memory verse cards come as a 13week set of five cards per week, and each memory verse is presented in both English and Spanish.



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