

The Big Picture for Parents: **Preschool**

Over a three-year period, babies, toddlers, and preschoolers will learn these Bible truths in The Gospel Project. Babies and toddlers will earn one main point per unit. Preschoolers will learn a big picture question(s) per unit and one main point per session.

UNIT 1: GOD THE CREATOR

Big Picture Questions: Why did God create the world? God created the world for His glory.

What is sin? Sin is breaking God's law.

Babies/Toddlers: God made everything.

- 1: God created everything.
- 2: God created people in His own image.
- 3: Adam and Eve sinned.
- 4: God punished Cain for his sin.
- 5: God is holy.
- 6: God created people to give Him glory.

UNIT 2: GOD THE COVENANT-MAKER

Big Picture Question: What did God promise? God promised to bless His people.

Babies/Toddlers: God made a promise.

- 1: God promised to bless Abraham.
- 2: Abraham trusted God.
- 3: God reminded Abraham's family about His promises.

UNIT 3: GOD THE COVENANT-KEEPER

Big Picture Question: What can stop God's plan? Nothing can stop God's plan.

Babies/Toddlers: God's plan is perfect.

- 1: Jacob took what belonged to his brother.
- 2: God changed Jacob's name to Israel.
- 3: God sent Joseph to Egypt.
- 4: God sent Joseph to Egypt to save his family.

UNIT 4: GOD THE REDEEMER

Big Picture Question: What is God's plan? God's plan is to rescue His people.

Babies/Toddlers: God takes care of us.

1: God rescued Moses to save His people.

2: God showed Egypt that only He is God.

3: God gave His people food and water.

4: God's people worshiped a golden calf.

5: God gave us rules to show that He is holy.

UNIT 5: CHRISTMAS

Big Picture Question: Why was Jesus born? Jesus was born to rescue us.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus was born.

- 1: God chose a family for Jesus.
- 2: Jesus was born as God promised.
- 3: The wise men worshiped Jesus.

UNIT 6: GOD IS HOLY

Big Picture Questions: Who is holy? God is holy.

Who can keep God's law? No one can keep all God's law.

Babies/Toddlers: God is holy.

- 1: God gave rules about loving others.
- 2: God told His people to build the tabernacle.
- 3: God provided a way to forgive His people.
- 4: The Lord alone is God.
- 5: God wanted His people to remember God's promise.

UNIT 7: GOD THE SAVIOR

Big Picture Question: Whom can we trust? We can trust God.

Babies/Toddlers: We can trust God.

- 1: Caleb and Joshua trusted God.
- 2: God told His people to look at the bronze snake.
- 3: God led His people into the promised land.
- 4: God fought for His people.

5: Joshua told the people to worship God.

UNIT 8: EASTER

Big Picture Question: Who saves us from our sin? Jesus saves us from sin.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is alive.

- 1: People welcomed Jesus as their King.
- 2: Jesus died on the cross and is alive.

UNIT 9: GOD JUDGES HIS PEOPLE

Big Picture Questions: Whom does God use in His plan? God uses people in His plan.

What should we do when we need help? We should pray to God.

Babies/Toddlers: God's plan is perfect.

- 1: God sent judges to help His people.
- 2: The Israelites forgot about the one true God.
- 3: God gave Gideon victory over his enemies.
- 4: God made Samson strong.
- 5: God gave Ruth a family.
- 6: God spoke to Samuel.

UNIT 10: GOD THE KING

Big Picture Questions: Who is our King? Jesus is our King forever.

What should we do when we sin? We should ask God for forgiveness.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is our King.

- 1: God chose a king for Israel.
- 2: Saul disobeyed God, so he could not be king anymore.
- 3: God gave David power to defeat Goliath.
- 4: God gave David a friend.
- 5: God said Jesus would be part of David's family.
- 6: God forgave David.

UNIT 11: GOD ALL-WISE

Big Picture Question: Who gives us wisdom? God gives us wisdom.

Babies/Toddlers: God knows everything.

- 1: Solomon asked God for wisdom.
- 2: God gives us wisdom.
- 3: God chose Solomon to build a temple.
- 4: God split Israel into two kingdoms.

UNIT 12: WISDOM LITERATURE

Big Picture Question: Why can we trust God? We can trust God because He is good.

Babies/Toddlers: God is good.

- 1: God gives us purpose.
- 2: Job learned God is in control.
- 3: People wrote songs to praise God.

UNIT 13: GOD THE REVEALER

Big Picture Question: How many gods are there? There is one true God.

Babies/Toddlers: There is one true God.

- 1: God defeated the prophets of Baal.
- 2: God encouraged Elijah.
- 3: God healed Naaman.
- 4: Isaiah saw the holy God.
- 5: God said Jesus would suffer.
- 6: God answered Hezekiah's prayer.

UNIT 14: GOD THE PURSUER

Big Picture Question: What is God like? God is merciful and loving.

Babies/Toddlers: God loves people.

- 1: God loves people who don't love Him back.
- 2: God showed mercy to the Ninevites.
- 3: God warned His people to repent.

UNIT 15: JEREMIAH AND CAPTIVITY

Big Picture Question: Why should we obey God? We obey God because He loves us.

Babies/Toddlers: God helps me love Him.

1: God chose Jeremiah as His messenger.

2: God promised a better covenant.

3: God sent Judah away from their land.

4: God planned to bring His people back home.

UNIT 16: GOD THE SUSTAINER

Big Picture Question: How can we obey God? We trust God to give us strength to obey Him.

Babies/Toddlers: God helps me obey Him.

- 1: Daniel obeyed God.
- 2: God was with Daniel's friends in the fire.
- 3: God rescued Daniel.
- 4: God brought the Israelites back home.
- 5: God helped His people rebuild the temple.

UNIT 17: CHRISTMAS

Big Picture Question: Why was Jesus born? Jesus was born to rescue us.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus was born.

- 1: Isaiah wrote about the Messiah.
- 2: Jesus was born as God promised.
- 3: Simeon and Anna waited for God to send Jesus.

UNIT 18: GOD THE PROVIDER

Big Picture Question: Does God keep His promises? Yes, God is always faithful.

Babies/Toddlers: God keeps His promises.

- 1: Esther became queen.
- 2: God used Esther to save His people.
- 3: Nehemiah prayed that God would help His people.
- 4: God led Nehemiah to rebuild the walls.
- 5: Ezra taught the people God's Word.
- 6: God told His people to repent.

UNIT 19: GOD THE SON

Big Picture Question: What makes Jesus different? Jesus is God's One and Only Son.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is God's Son.

- 1: Jesus had a family.
- 2: Jesus' mother was Mary.
- 3: Jesus was born as God promised.
- 4: Jesus and His family worshiped God at the temple.
- 5: John baptized Jesus.
- 6: Jesus was tempted.

UNIT 20: EASTER

Big Picture Question: Who saves us from our sin? Jesus saves us from sin.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is alive.

- 1: People welcomed Jesus as their King.
- 2: Jesus died on the cross and is alive.

UNIT 21: GOD AMONG US

Big Picture Question: Whom did Jesus say He is? Jesus said He is God's Son.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus gives life.

- 1: Jesus told Nicodemus about God's plan.
- 2: Jesus came from heaven to earth.
- 3: Jesus told the Samaritan woman He is God's Son.
- 4: Jesus said God's Word is about Him.
- 5: Jesus loved Zacchaeus.

UNIT 22: JESUS THE STORYTELLER

Big Picture Question: Why did Jesus tell stories? Jesus told stories to teach us about God.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus told stories about God.

- 1: Jesus taught that not all people will believe in Him.
- 2: Jesus taught about God's forgiveness.
- 3: Jesus calls us to love others as He has loved us.
- 4: Jesus taught about God's love.
- 5: Jesus taught about being humble.

6: God will judge those who do not follow Jesus.

UNIT 23: JESUS THE MIRACLE-WORKER

Big Picture Question: Why did Jesus perform miracles? Jesus performed miracles to show He is God's Son.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus performed miracles.

- 1: Jesus turned water into wine.
- 2: Jesus fed 5,000 people.
- 3: Jesus walked on water.

UNIT 24: JESUS THE HEALER

Big Picture Question: What did Jesus heal people from? Jesus healed people from sickness, sin, and death.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus healed people.

- 1: Jesus healed a man who could not walk.
- 2: Jesus healed a man with many evil spirits.
- 3: Jesus healed a woman and raised a girl from the dead.
- 4: Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.

UNIT 25: JESUS THE ANOINTED ONE

Big Picture Question: Why do people at church share the Lord's Supper? People at church share the Lord's Supper to remember Jesus' life and death.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is special.

- 1: Mary anointed Jesus.
- 2: Jesus stopped people from misusing the temple.
- 3: Jesus ate a special meal with His friends.
- 4: Jesus was arrested for something He did not do.

UNIT 26: JESUS THE SAVIOR

Big Picture Question: Why did Jesus die on the cross? Jesus died on the cross to save us from our sins, and He is alive today.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is alive.

- 1: Jesus died on the cross.
- 2: Jesus is alive.
- 3: Jesus appeared to His friends on the way to Emmaus.

UNIT 27: JESUS THE RISEN KING

Big Picture Question: What is our mission? Our mission is to tell others about Jesus.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is in heaven.

- 1: Jesus appeared to eleven of His friends.
 - 2: Jesus showed His hands and side to Thomas.
 - 3: Jesus forgave Peter.
 - 4: Jesus gave His friends a mission.
 - 5: Jesus went up to heaven in a cloud.
- BONUS:** We thank God because Jesus is alive.

UNIT 28: THE GOD WHO EMPOWERS

Big Picture Question: What does the Holy Spirit do? The Holy Spirit helps Christians.

Babies/Toddlers: God helps us.

- 1: The Holy Spirit came to God's people.
- 2: In Jesus' name, Peter and John healed a man.
- 3: Stephen told people about Jesus, even when He would be hurt for it.
- 4: Philip told the Ethiopian man about Jesus.
- 5: The Holy Spirit told Peter to preach to Cornelius.

UNIT 29: CHRISTMAS

Big Picture Question: Why was Jesus born? Jesus was born to rescue us.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus was born.

- 1: God's prophets told about Jesus.
- 2: God chose a family for Jesus.
- 2: Jesus was born as God promised.

UNIT 30: THE GOD WHO SENDS

Big Picture Question: How do people hear about Jesus? God uses Christians to tell others about Jesus.

Babies/Toddlers: People teach me about Jesus.

- 1: Jesus saved Saul from his sins.
- 2: The Holy Spirit sent Paul and Barnabas to tell people about Jesus.
- 3: The church encouraged Gentile Christians.
- 4: God sent Paul and Silas to help the churches.
- 5: Paul taught the Greeks there is only one God.
- 6: God helped Paul preach with courage.

UNIT 31: THE GOD WHO LEADS

Big Picture Question: Why does God want us to obey Him? We obey because God loves us.

Babies/Toddlers: God wants us to obey Him.

- 1: Paul wrote we are saved through Jesus alone.
- 2: Paul wrote that Christians should work together.
- 3: James calls us to love others because Jesus loves us.
- 4: John wrote that Christians should love each other.
- 5: Paul told church leaders to teach God's Word.

UNIT 3 2 : EASTER

Big Picture Question: Who saves us from our sin? Jesus saves us from sin.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is alive.

- 1: People welcomed Jesus as their King.
- 2: Jesus died on the cross and is alive.

UNIT 3 3 : THE GOD WHO CHANGES US

Big Picture Question: Who changes us? God changes us to be like Jesus.

Babies/Toddlers: God cares for us.

- 1: When we trust in Jesus, God makes us His children.
- 2: God wants us to be friends with each other.
- 3: The Holy Spirit helps us be more like Jesus.
- 4: God makes us strong against the Devil.
- 5: God wants us to give to others.
- 6: The Bible tells us about people who lived by faith.

UNIT 3 4 : GOD'S PLAN FOR PAUL

Big Picture Question: When should we tell others about Jesus? We should tell about Jesus all the time.

Babies/Toddlers: God is always with us.

- 1: God protected Paul so he could preach about Jesus.
- 2: Paul preached about Jesus to rulers.
- 3: God protected Paul in the shipwreck.
- 4: Paul told the Philippians to be joyful.
- 5: Paul made much of Jesus.

UNIT 3 5 : THE GOD WHO GIVES HOPE

Big Picture Question: How do we live while waiting for Jesus to come back? We follow Jesus and tell everyone about Him.

Babies/Toddlers: God teaches us through the Bible.

1: Paul told Philemon to forgive his servant.

2: Paul encouraged believers in hard times.

3: Jude told believers to always remember God's truth.

4: Peter wrote that Jesus will come back soon.

UNIT 3 6 : THE GOD WHO MAKES ALL THINGS NEW

Big Picture Question: What will happen when Jesus comes back? Jesus will make all things new.

Babies/Toddlers: Jesus is King.

1: Jesus appeared to John in a vision.

2: Jesus sent messages to the seven churches.

3: Everyone and everything will worship Jesus.

4: Jesus will come back and make all things new.