



**WORK IT - Ready for Good Works (Titus 3:1-7) - July 31-August 1, 2021**  
**STUDY NOTES**

**Theme of Titus** - who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works. **Titus 2:14**

**The Holy Spirit empowers us to good works**

**Titus 3:1 NKJV** - Remind them to be subject to rulers and authorities, to obey, to be ready for every good work,

**Titus 3:2 NKJV** - to speak evil of no one, to be peaceable, gentle, showing all humility to all men.

**Titus 3:3 NKJV** - For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another.

**Titus 3:4 NKJV** - But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared,

**Titus 3:5 NKJV** - not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit

**2 Corinthians 5:17-19 NKJV** - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is,

that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

**Titus 3:6 NKJV** - whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior,

**Titus 3:7 NKJV** - that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

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## NURSERY

# GOD HELPS US

THE BATTLE OF JERICO



Read Joshua 6:1-20. From a human perspective, the battle of Jericho must have seemed crazy—both to the residents of the city and to the Israelites marching around the city. Joshua was not just confident of God's help, he was confident of the outcome. Confidence in God's help is closely connected to our belief that God is able to accomplish his will no matter how difficult the task. Sometimes God stretches our faith by accomplishing great things in unexpected ways.

**Memory Verse:** God helps us. Genesis 21:22b (adapted for toddlers)

**Heart of the Lesson:** God Helps Us All the Time

**Parent Engagement:** Head over to [visitgracechurch.com/kids](http://visitgracechurch.com/kids). Explore the virtual nursery classroom together. Click on different objects in the room to review the story of Jericho that we have been learning about this past month.

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# SAMUEL AND THE KINGS

A WALK THROUGH THE HIGH POINTS OF THE BOOKS OF SAMUEL, 1ST AND 2ND KINGS



This month we are learning about the first two kings of Israel. They were two very different kinds of kings. Saul was afraid, didn't trust God and disobeyed. David was brave, did trust God and mostly obeyed. We want our kids to know they have choices too but life is better if we decide to trust and obey God. Just look at how Saul and David's life turned out.

**Memory Verse:** The LORD doesn't see things the way you see them. People judge by outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart 1 Samuel 16:7b

**Heart of the Lesson:** Saul is king - 1 Samuel 8, 9, 10, 13

**Parent Engagement:** Play a game of hide and seek with your kids. Saul had to seek the lost donkeys. God didn't have to seek Saul; He chose Saul to be king even though he hid. What do you think God might choose you to do?

## ELEMENTARY

# H2O

THIRSTING FOR JESUS



God says that when He created the visible world, like water, it was also to teach us about the invisible, spiritual world. Water is so powerful, but Jesus is more powerful. We can't live without water yet we are to thirst for Jesus, the living water, even more.

**Memory Verse:** Jesus replied, “If you only knew the gift God has for you and who you are speaking to, you would ask me, and I would give you living water.” John 4:10

**Heart of the Lesson:** As powerful as water is, Jesus is so much more powerful - Exodus 17, Psalm 63:1, John 4, Rom 1:20

**Parent Engagement:** Enjoy some family time and go to a pool or a lake or watch a storm. Talk about the power of water together. How is God even more powerful?

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# SPIRITUAL PUSH-UPS

PRACTICING SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES



Have you ever worked hard for something? Maybe you have been involved in sports, music, or other activities that require you to practice. Athletes must train every day to stay physically fit. But what are the “push-ups” that build spiritual strength? What exercises can be used to train your mind to focus on God? Spiritual disciplines are like push ups that make you stronger in your faith! When you practice spending time with God, you begin to know Him more!

**Memory Verse:** “Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come.” 1 Timothy 4:8

**Heart of the Lesson:** What does prayer look like and why is it important? If you want to know God, talk to Him. -Matthew 6:9-13

**Parent Engagement:** Spend some time praying together as a family. Pray for each other and for those who don't know Jesus.