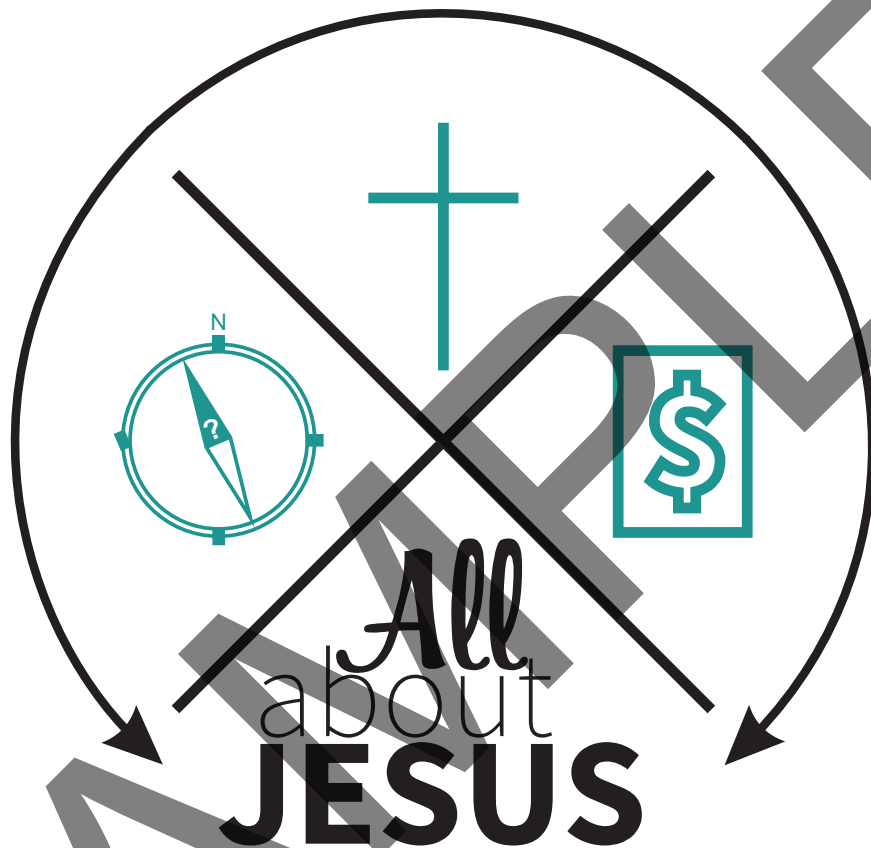


KIDS CHURCH LEADERS GUIDE
TERM ONE 2013



1. LOVING JESUS

IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS

Songs:
Jesus!
Jesus No 1

Everything in the bible points to Jesus and how important he is.

Understand that the Old Testament and the New Testament together give us the full picture of who Jesus is.

Recognise that as we come to know Jesus we'll grow to be more like him.

Luke 24:13-35

2. LOVING JESUS

SINGING FOR JESUS

Songs:
Nothing But the Blood
Jesus!

When we sing we are showing how important Jesus is.

Recognise that God wants us to praise him by singing.

Singing is a way for us to show how much we love God.

Understand that the songs we sing about God can teach and encourage others.

Exodus 15
2 Chronicles 13
Acts 16:22-34

3. LOVING JESUS

GATHERED BY JESUS

Songs:
Your Love
Jesus!

We gather together at church because of Jesus.

Realise that God tells Christians to meet together regularly.

Understand that everything we do at church should point to Jesus and how important he is.

Realise that as we point to Jesus this will help new people to get to know Jesus and others to know him better.

Acts 2:42,46,47
Hebrews 10:24-25
1 Cor 14

4. LOVING LOST PEOPLE

CONNECTING WITH JESUS

Songs:
Tell the World
I Want the World to Know

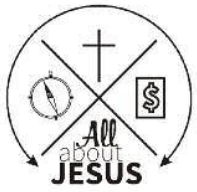
Jesus wants people to be saved so we should too.

Realise that God wants everyone to be saved no matter who we are or what we've done.

Know that there's a party in heaven every time someone is saved.

Understand God wants us to help other people hear the good news so they can be saved.

Luke 15:1-10



1 LOVING JESUS

IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS

SMS: *(Simple Message Statement)*

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MEMORY VERSE:

Acts 13:38-39

"...I announce to you that your sins can be forgiven because of what Jesus has done. Through him everyone who believes is made right with God..."

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of kids church kids should:

Understand that the Old Testament and the New Testament together give us the full picture of who Jesus is.

Recognise that as we come to know Jesus we'll grow to be more like him.

Note: Outcome in **bold** is most important and for all age groups. Older age groups will be capable of achieving the other outcomes while younger age groups may not.

EVERY CLASS WILL BE DIFFERENT BUT IT IS IMPORTANT WE ALL COMMUNICATE THE SAME SMS.

BIG GROUP TIME

NOTES:

SONGS

Jesus !
Jesus No 1

STORY TIME

Luke 24:13-35

It was 3 days after Jesus was crucified. The word had got around that Jesus' body was missing from the tomb. Most of Jesus' followers weren't sure what was happening. Two of Jesus' followers (Cleopas and a friend) were on a 2-3 hour walk to a village outside Jerusalem and were discussing what had happened. Jesus joined them and asked what they were discussing. But they did not recognise Him. They told Jesus how confused they were about what had happened.

Jesus told them they must not have understood the message of the Old Testament. (The New Testament, the part that tells the life story of Jesus and what happened after that, hadn't been written yet.)

Jesus then explained how the Old Testament of the Bible, right from the start, was telling the story of Jesus, why He had to come and suffer, and what was going to happen to Him. He showed them how the Old Testament told that Jesus would come to earth, die to take the penalty for our sin, and rise again.

It was only when they reached their destination and sat down to have a meal with Jesus that they recognised who He was. They hurried back to Jerusalem and told the rest of the disciples what had happened. Then Jesus appeared to all of the disciples and explained to them that the Old Testament told the story of all that Jesus was going to do, and how people from all around the world would hear about Him and be forgiven.

As the disciples got to understand the whole message of Jesus, they became better at telling other people about Him. But something else happened. They came to know and understand Jesus better, and they became more like Him.

As we trust Jesus and learn more from the Bible about Him, we can grow to understand Him better and be more like Him too.

GROWTH GROUP TIME

ICE BREAKER

Why are you here today?

DISCUSSION TIME

Key Questions:

UPPER GRADES

1. If you were one of Jesus' disciples, how would you feel after you saw Him die? What would you think if someone told you He had come back to life again?

Read Luke 24:25-27.

2. According to Jesus, what do the Old Testament prophets teach us about Jesus?
(Leaders: note v 26)

Read Isaiah 53:4-6.

3. What was the prophet Isaiah telling us about Jesus in these verses?
4. What are some of the things you know about Jesus? What part of the Bible helps us know these things?
5. Can you think of times in the Old Testament when God was kind to people? What are some times when Jesus was kind to people?
6. How can knowing more about Jesus help us to be more like Jesus?

LOWER GRADES

Read Luke 24:25-27.

1. What did Jesus say the prophets told us about Him? (Leaders: note v 26)

Read Isaiah 53:4-6.

2. What do these verses tell us about Jesus? Did you know that this was written hundreds of years before Jesus was born?
3. What are some of the things you know about Jesus? What part of the Bible helps us know these things?
4. Can you think of times in the Bible when God was kind to people? What are some times when Jesus was kind to people?
5. How can knowing more about Jesus help us to be more like Jesus?

ACTIVITY SHEETS *(Children complete the Activity Sheets in this time.)*

MIX -IT-UP *(Choose one of the following...these are some ideas)*

→ **CRAFT** – Footprints to Jesus – Appendix 1.1

→ **GAME** – Crossover – Appendix 2.1

SMS *(Simple Meaning Statement: Link discussion back to the SMS.)*

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PRAYER TIME

Appendix 1.1

Week 1

Footprints to Jesus (group craft) (Exploring God's Promises, p. 64-65)

Materials:

- Foot prints copied or traced on coloured paper
- Glue, scissors, pencils, blue tac
- Copies of the prophecies
- Large copy of the SMS

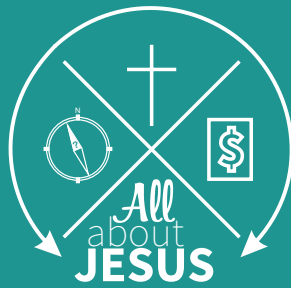
Directions:

- Trace and cut out feet shapes
- Have the children decorate their footprint
- Cut out prophecies & glue one on each foot

Use:

- Combine all the feet for the group craft
- On the wall in the classroom, blue tac the SMS high on the wall.
- Then blue tac the feet 'walking' towards the SMS





Welcome to our kids church series – ‘**All About Jesus**’
(the kids church partner to the adult series ‘Hearts on Fire’.)

This term we become a church which meets in three locations – Carina, Springfield and South Bank. As we take this step, it's a good time for us to pause and reflect. Why are we doing this? What are we on about as a church?

There are some words that we use a lot around our church – 'servant hearts', 'connect, grow, serve', 'soft hearts give hard', 'reach the city, reach the world'. But the word we emphasise more than any other is 'JESUS' – The Word that gives meaning to all other words.

'**All About Jesus**' is a series about who we are as a church, but it's not a series about us. It's a series about Jesus. '**All About Jesus**' is a series all about Jesus. It's a series about who we are because of who Jesus is. It's a series about how our lives and hearts have been changed because of what Jesus has done. '**All About Jesus**' describes our heartbeat as a church.

What does it mean to live as followers of Jesus with a new heart?
Loving Jesus | Loving Lost People | Loving To Give

In this series we'll talk about what we do as a church and how we do things as a church, but most importantly we'll look at the Bible to see why we do these things.
.. because of Jesus – to reach as many people as possible with the message of Jesus.

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5 **LOVING LOST PEOPLE** | GROWING WITH JESUS

We meet together in growth groups to help each other learn about Jesus

6 **LOVING LOST PEOPLE** | SERVING JESUS

The church is like a body, God wants us to work together to help people know Jesus

7 **LOVING TO GIVE** | GIVING EVERYTHING TO JESUS

Because Jesus has given us everything we should give our lives to serve Jesus

8 **LOVING TO GIVE** | SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS

Because Jesus has given us such good news we should do all we can to share the good news with people everywhere

9 **LOVING TO GIVE** | SENDING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS

Jesus commands us to tell people everywhere the good news about him