

Children, Youth and Adult Christian Education:

Re-Vision 2018 / Week 3

If we moved the Sunday evening Christian Education Ministries to Sunday morning, and combined those ministries with our present Sunday morning Christian Education offerings, the renewed schedule would look as follows:

Sunday Morning (9:00 AM):

(See attached scope and sequence overview.)

- Nursery
- Nursery II (3 & 4 year olds)
- Pre-K & Early Kindergarten

- Kindergarten – 2nd Grade
- 3rd – 5th Grade
- 6th – 8th Grade (Junior High)
- 9th – 12th Grade (High School)

- Woman's Bible Study
- Deaf Ministry
- Dr. Mike Gebler's Bible Study
- Adult Class #1 _____
- Adult Class #2 _____

Sunday Morning (10:00 AM):

- The 2nd Cup of Fellowship :-)

Sunday Morning (10:30 AM):

- Community Gathering Worship Service
- Children's Ministry:
 - o Nursery
 - o Nursery II
 - o 4 & 5 year olds
 - o 1st & 2nd Grade Class

1. The Christian Education experience offered at IBC is to be an opportunity for Bible study, fellowship and prayer, therefore, a formative disciple-making ministry. How could the hour best be structured and administrated to accomplish those purposes?

2. Would offering the Christian Education hour earlier on Sunday (9:00 AM as opposed to 5:00 PM) positively impact your own family participation? How so?

3. Does the move to an earlier Christian Education hour provide a better opportunity for inviting friends and family members and for connecting others with the ministries of IBC?

In what ways could we build solid bridges into our Sunday Christian Education offerings from other ministries offered at IBC?

4. In what ways could we improve our overall Christian Education experience for those who participate? (Consider improvements that could be made with present practices that should be brought into consideration as we prepare to move into the new facility.)

5. Considering the attached scope and sequence, does this coincide with your expectation for your child/children's Christian Education at IBC? Please provide feedback for consideration as it relates to the scope and sequence of teaching sound doctrine.

6. How might we best equip parents to be the primary disciple-making influence in the lives of their children?

7. How do we best handle children for whom IBC will be their only Christian Education experience?

8. Would the addition of a mid-week children's ministry (such as AWANA) be considered by you to be a positive addition to the children's formative spiritual development?



Sunday Children and Youth Ministries

Overview of Scope and Sequence

PreK (Jesus Storybook Bible, The Big Book of Q & A by Sinclair Ferguson, AIG, etc.)

K-2 Grade (childrendesiringgod.org)

- Year 1: Faithful to all His Promises
- Year 2: The ABCs of God
- Year 3: Jesus, What a Savior!

3-5 Grade (childrendesiringgod.org)

- Year 1: My Purpose Will Stand
- Year 2: How Majestic is His Name
- Year 3: To Be Like Jesus

6-8 Grade (childrendesiringgod.org)

- Year 1: Your Word is Truth
- Year 2: Teach Me Your Way
- Year 3: Abiding in Jesus

9-12 Grade (Pastor Matt)

- Year 1: When Heaven Meets Earth / Christian Worldview (Overview of Genesis - Revelation)
- Year 2: The Torah (Genesis - Deuteronomy) / The Story of Israel (Conquest - Exile/Return)
- Year 3: Jesus, the Kingdom and the Gospels (Luke - Acts)
- Year 4: Living as Christians in the Kingdom until the King Returns (Prison and Pastoral Letters)

IBC Sunday Children and Youth Ministries

October 1, 2017 – April 29, 2018

K-2 Grade (Traig and Meggane Savage)

Jesus, What a Savior! (childrendesiringgod.org)

Our children (like us) are helpless sinners, deserving of God's eternal wrath. Children need to hear this truth so that they, like us, can turn to the perfect and only remedy—***the free gift of salvation through Jesus the Savior!*** Each lesson in *Jesus, What a Savior!* Is designed to present the material, including Bible stories, in a way that proclaims the centrality of the greatness and worth of God. This chronological study on redemption focuses on God's revelation of His Son, Jesus, as the one and only hope for desperate sinners—the good news of the Gospel!

Example lessons include:

- *God is the Most Special Person of All*
- *God Created the World to Show How Special He Is*
- *God Created People to Enjoy His Glory*
- *Adam and Eve Sin and Reject God*
- *Sin Alienates Adam and Eve from God*
- *All People are Born Sinners and Alienated from God*

3-5 Grade (Marlene Murschel and Amy Peck)

To Be Like Jesus (childrendesiringgod.org)

What is salvation? How does someone become a Christian? What does it mean to become like Jesus? This curriculum helps answer these important questions by explaining elements of the Gospel message, its purpose, and promise. A major portion of this study focuses on the doctrine of sanctification - the process by which a Christian becomes more and more conformed to the likeness of Jesus.

Example lessons include:

- *Created in God's Image for His Glory*
- *All Have Sinned*
- *Jesus, God's Holy and Righteous Son*
- *The Gospel of Jesus: Salvation in Jesus*
- *Salvation: Chosen by God*

6-8 Grade (David and Jessie Mullet)

Overview of Bible Themes (thebibleproject.com)

The Bible Project is a non-profit animation studio that produces short-form, fully animated videos to make the biblical story accessible to everyone, everywhere. This year the senior high students at IBC will explore videos, podcasts, and study guides that explain the Bible's unified story.

Lessons include:

- *Holiness How to Read the Bible*
- *Heaven and Earth The Story of the Bible*
- *The Messiah The Holy Spirit*
- *The Day of the Lord The Public Reading of Scripture*
- *The Covenants Ahavah – Love*
- *Overview of Genesis - Judges*

Abiding in Jesus (childrendesiringgod.org)

This series challenges junior high students to know Jesus as the Savior and Satisfier of their souls. Inspired by John 15, youth are taught that abiding in Jesus leads to trusting Him in all life's situations and bearing spiritual fruit in Him. Each lesson allows time for students to experience Christian fellowship. The study features interactive teaching with small group discussion, application, prayer, and fellowship time. A student journal enables students to note important biblical truth, facilitates class fellowship time, and provides helpful at-home Bible study and life application.

Lessons Include:

- *Ashamed in the Presence of God Dependency on the Cross*
- *Peace with God through Jesus Abiding and Obedience*
- *Daily Fellowship with Jesus Abiding and Bearing Fruit*
- *A New Identity in Christ Abiding and Prayer*
- *Living in Daily Dependence on Jesus Satisfied in Jesus*

9-12 Grade (Pastor Matt and Amber)

Heaven is a Place on Earth: Why Everything You Do Matters to God (Mike Wittmer)

This planet is more than just a stopover on our way to heaven. It is our final destination. Students will discover that God wants us to enjoy our earthly experience, and to think otherwise is to miss the life He intends for us. This book gently but firmly strips away common misconceptions of Christianity and broadens your worldview to reveal the alive and responsive to the kingdom of God in all that we are and all that we do.

When Heaven Meets Earth (thebibleproject.com)

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The Bible is a divine-human book that speaks God's word to his people. It ultimately points us to Jesus, who has the power to change individuals and whole communities when we let the biblical story speak for itself. We will focus on the Bible's overarching themes and each book's literary design and are committed to understanding the Bible in its historical context.

Lessons include:

- *The Heavens as "The Skies" God's Confusing Presence*
- *The Garden Temple The Prophetic Hope*
- *The Great Split Heaven Invading Earth*
- *God's Rescue Mission Jesus as the Temple*
- *An Unexpected Encounter Humans as God's Temple*
- *The Tabernacle The New Heaven and the New Earth*