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Introducing a new online program for children and their parents.

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TRUTH SEEKERS



"How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word."

Psalm 119:1

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Dear Parents & Children,

Welcome to TRUTH SEEKERS. This is a new learning program being designed, prepared, and provided for you by the leaders of the children's ministry here at Hayden Bible Church. There is nothing more exciting in life than becoming part of God's family and learning to study His Word, the Bible, with the intention of becoming like Jesus.

This material is intended to encourage more family time with your children, enabling you to be more involved with their spiritual development.

Content of Each Lesson

"Teachable Moments"
Simple Truths
Learning Activities
Music to Sing (accompaniment available)



4 Learning Paths

These four learning paths will provide a variety of instruction to build a broad foundation and knowlegeable overview of basic Biblical Truths to encourage the "new birth" experience followed by spiritual growth.

- 1) GOD'S Character
- 2) BIBLE Characters
- 3) Selected Topics
- 4) Seasonal Events/Holidays

"Teachable Moments"

- ** Simple Truths: To keep it "simple" there are four truths in each lesson. The expansion of each truth is for the parents' benefit. You can decide how much to share and when. You will notice that the activities and music for your child will also be opportunities to communicate these truths.
- Coloring Activity: **Treasures of GOD'S WORD**Great opportunity to discuss how God's Word and a treasure chest are the same and yet very different. (Romans 11:33a)
- GOD'S STORY (activity) Some simple math to help your child discover how many books are within the Bible. The individual books will be introduced gradually as we progress.
- Seek for Truth (activity) Developing this overview of the Bible will continue to grow as your child uses this information in studying the content of the scriptures. This knowledge becomes stronger over time as it is used in seeking the truths of God's Word. If your child is able, encourage them to do the scripture readings aloud. Remember, when you read something yourself, the comprehension is better and you appreciate it more.
- * Enjoy singing together: Truth Seekers

(Permission granted to make extra copies of coloring or game page for other children in the family as needed.)

Simple Truths

The Bible is like a Teasure Chest.

What does that mean?

- --Treasure chests usually hold things of real value.
- --The Bible holds precious treasures; more treasure than you can imagine.
- --The deeper you dig, the more treasures you find. (Proverbs 8)

"Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God. . ." (Romans 11:33a)

You can know the author of this book.

Who is the author?

- -- The BIBLE is God's Word: His TRUTH for us.
- --We can know Him personally through JESUS:

"I am the WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE; no man comes to the Father, but by me." (John 14:6)

- --There is no greater truth (treasure) than knowing God.
- You can never know it all, but you can be forever learning.

Where do I begin? Become acquainted with the Bible.

GOD'S Presentation: the BIBLE

--It's parts: OLD and NEW Testaments

--It's content: 66 books (each with a unique focus)

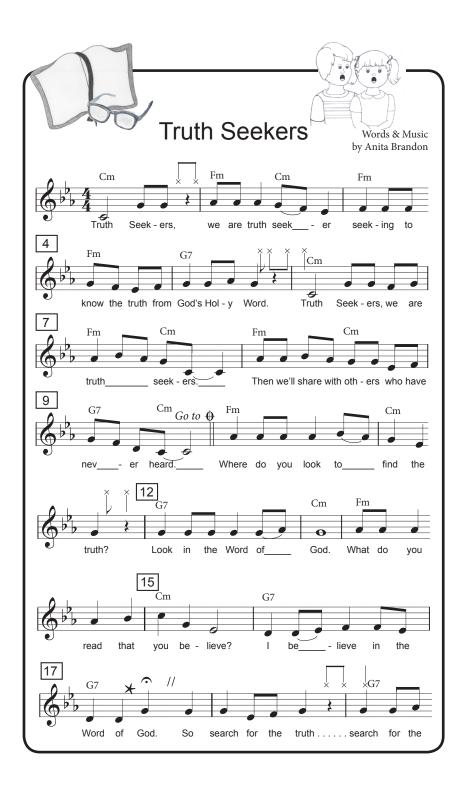
GOD'S Plan: SALVATION

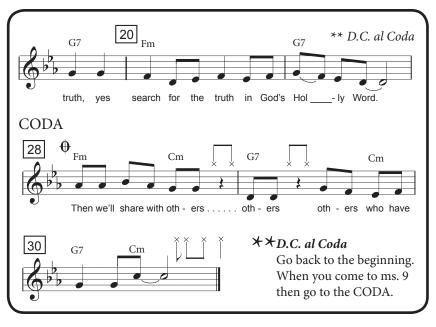
GOD'S Person of focus: JESUS GOD'S Purpose: HIS GLORY

The Bible is the guide book for your life.

Why is God's Word important?

The truth of God, in the scriptures, will help discipline and correct your sinful ways, then teach and train you to live a godly life and serve Him faithfully. (2 Tim. 3:16 & 17)

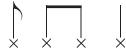




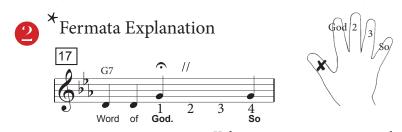
Learn the song together.

Things to know-----





On the accompaniment track you will hear a clapped rhythm. It is illustrated on the music with these symbols.



Kids are great counting on their fingers, so make an activity out of this; they'll love it. Wiggle or bow the finger as they say it. No thumb.

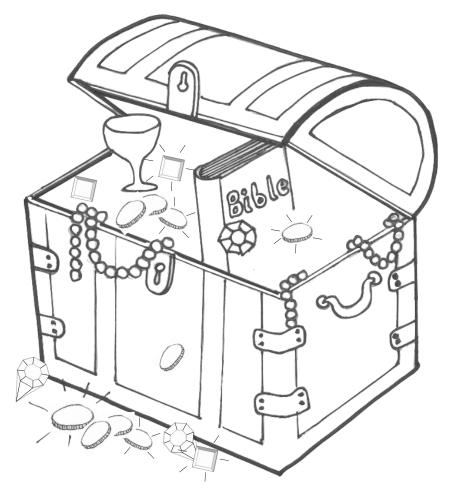
Now try this-----

Begin singing in unison from the beginning, but when you come to Measure 10 have half of your family sing the *question* and the others respond with the *answer*. Finish the song in unison.

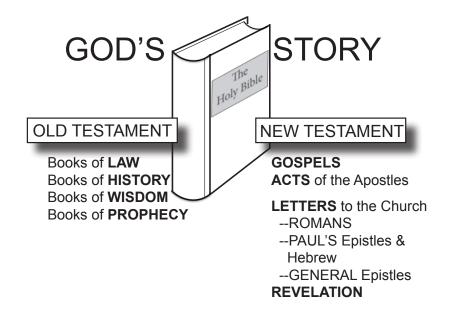
Treasures of GOD'S WORD

(Coloring Activity)

Add more jewels and gems to fill your chest with things of value. This picture can remind you of the riches we seek for in God's Word. Just like the chest, it will always be overflowing with treasured truth.



"Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God. . ." (Romans 11:33a)



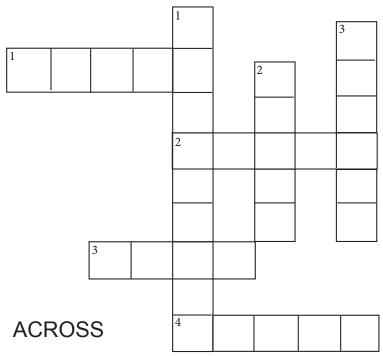
How Many Books in the BIBLE?

Do the Math and put your answer at the top of each column. Circle your answer.

Answer:					
	-4	-5	-3	+3	+1
^	+2	+2	+1	+1	-3
	-1	-3	-3	-2	+5
	+2	+5	+4	+3	+2
Start Here	1	1	1	1	1

OLD TESTAMENT has 39 books, so how many books are in the NEW TESTAMENT?

Seek for Truth



- 1 Another name for God's Word is the _____.
- 2 The truth of God, in His Word can____ and train you to live a godly life. (2 Timothy 3:16 & 17)
- 3 "I love those who love me, and those who _____me find me." (Proverbs 8:17)
- 4 "Jesus said, I am the Way and the ____ and the Life. . . ."
 (John 14:6)

DOWN

- 1 The OLD and NEW _____is written evidence of historical facts or events recorded by God's direction.
- 2 "I seek you with all by _____; do not let me stray from your commands." (Psalm 119:2)
- 3 The depth of God's ____ can not be measured. (Rom. 11:33)