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QUIET TIME

GOPHER — BUDDIES —



Digging Deeper in God's Word

Welcome to the *Gopher Buddies Quiet Time*! This Quiet Time provides a great opportunity to have fun with your child as you read God's Word daily. Our prayer is that as you read through the Bible together, your child will learn how to develop a relationship with God.



Meet the Gopher Buddies Family

Father, Mother, Andy, and Emily want to go with you on your adventure this year of “Digging Deeper in God’s Word.” Each day a member from the Gopher Buddies family is featured on a page to help your child learn from God’s Word.

Understanding Your Child's Quiet Time

Helpful tips:

- ✓ Sit down together at a regular time each day.
- ✓ Use the Bible to look up the Scripture reference.
- ✓ Have a pencil and crayons available for activities.

SUNDAY

THE BIBLE SAYS
EPHESIANS 1:5

I CAN KNOW

God knows all things. When you believe in Jesus, God calls you His child.

I CAN LEARN

Color the picture below. Are you part of His family? Talk to your parents or an adult at church if you are not sure.



Each day of the Quiet Time has a section titled, “**The Bible Says.**” There you will find a Scripture passage to read to your child.

The “**I Can Know**” section provides a summary and key concept of the Scripture passage.

The “**I Can Learn**” section has an activity that will help your child develop key skills that will relate to the passage they just read.

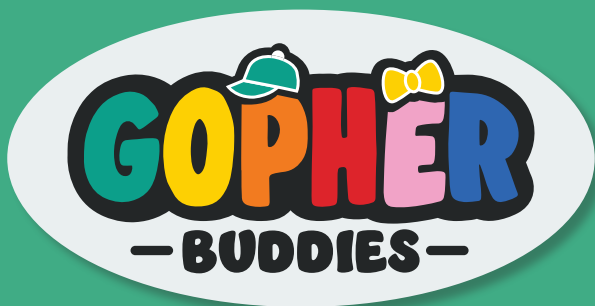
Read the “**I Can Pray**” section as you guide your child in prayer.

After you and your child complete each week, encourage them for Digging Deeper in God's Word!

I CAN
PRAY

Thank God for His great love for you.

SUNDAY
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The Gopher Buddies Program

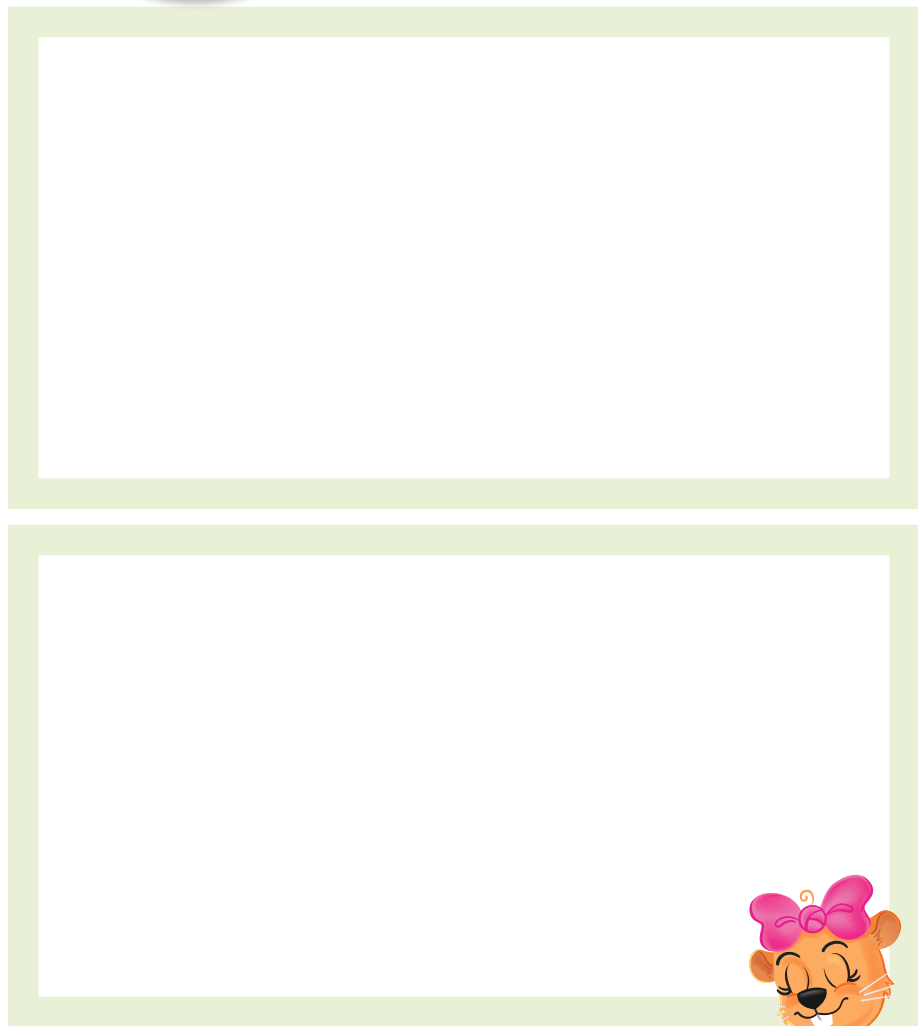
If your child is participating in a Gopher Buddies ministry at your church, go to the back of this book to find information about the program and how to track their progress.



My Prayer Diary

A prayer diary is to help you remember to pray for people and their needs. It also reminds you to thank God and to tell others when He answers your prayers.

Use these pages to draw pictures or write the names of special people you want to pray for.



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MONDAY

THE BIBLE SAYS
EPHESIANS 1:12

I CAN KNOW

As a child of God, you should want to obey His Word and do things that please Him. When you obey God, you are showing others that you love Him.



I CAN LEARN

Put a heart around the children that are obeying God.



**I CAN
PRAY**

Ask God to help you do things that are pleasing to Him.

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TUESDAY

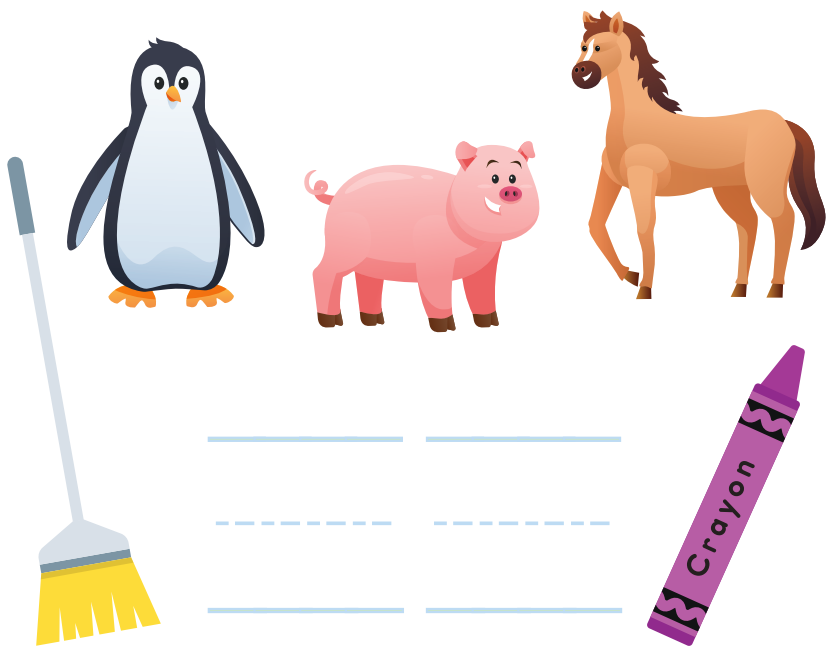
THE BIBLE SAYS
EPHESIANS 1:19

I CAN KNOW

God has great power and mighty strength.
He shares this with you so you can
do great things for Him.

I CAN LEARN

Power begins with the letter sound P. Draw a
circle around the pictures that begin with the letter
sound P. Write the letters P and p in the blanks.



I CAN
PRAY

Thank God for giving you strength
to do good things when you ask Him.

TUESDAY
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WEDNESDAY


THE BIBLE SAYS
EPHESIANS 2:4-5

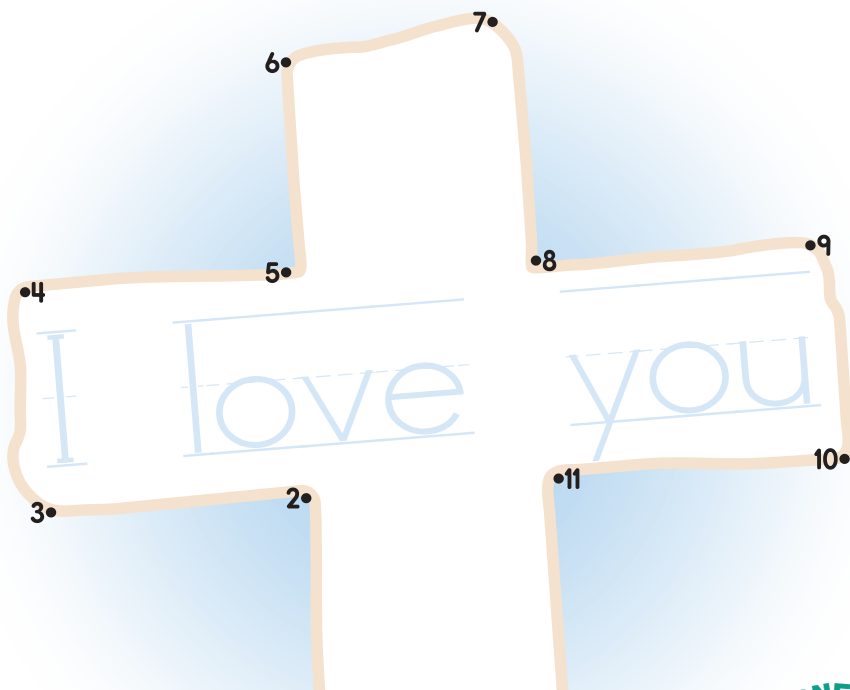
I CAN KNOW

God is kind, forgiving, and loving. He wanted to save you from your sin even before you knew Him.



I CAN LEARN

Draw a  from 1 to 12. Trace the letters written on the cross to see what God says to you.



I CAN
PRAY

Thank God for being so kind and forgiving.

WEDNESDAY
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THURSDAY

THE BIBLE SAYS
EPHESIANS 2:8-9

I CAN KNOW

By believing that Jesus died for your sins, God saves you from your sin! It is His gift to you. You cannot work for the gift. You only have to accept it.

I CAN LEARN

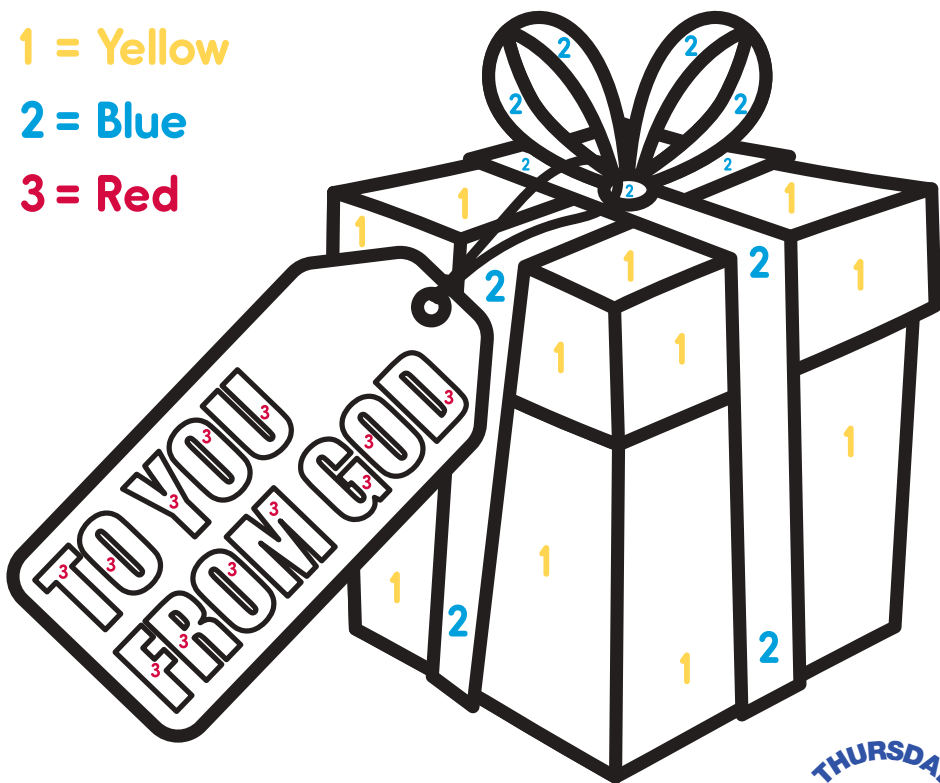
Jesus offers the free gift of salvation to everyone. Use the color code to color the picture.



1 = Yellow

2 = Blue

3 = Red



I CAN
PRAY

Thank God for His free gift of salvation.

THURSDAY
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FRIDAY

THE BIBLE SAYS
EPHESIANS 2:18

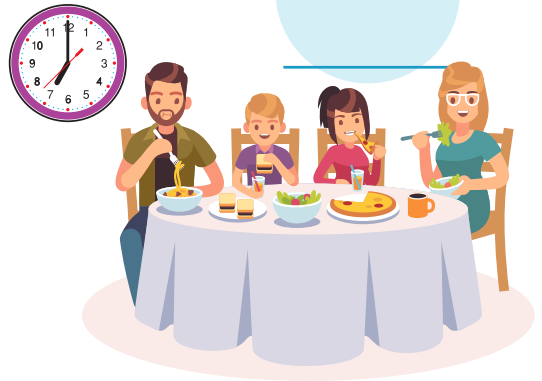
I CAN KNOW

You can pray to God without having someone else pray for you. You can pray to God anytime you want.



I CAN LEARN

These children are praying at different times of the day. Write 1, 2, or 3 in the circles to show the order.



I CAN
PRAY

Tell God thank you for always listening when you pray.

FRIDAY
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SATURDAY


THE BIBLE SAYS
EPHESIANS 2:19

I CAN KNOW

When you ask Jesus to save you from your sin, you are part of God's family and are no longer a stranger to God.



I CAN LEARN

Others who are saved are called your brothers and sisters in Christ. Draw a  to take the boy through the path to meet Jesus.



I CAN
PRAY

Thank God for your church, Christian friends,
and family.

SATURDAY
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What is Gopher Buddies?



The Gopher Buddies Program is designed to teach Early Learners foundational Truths from Scripture.

How does the program work?

Children are encouraged to grow through applying the following five spiritual disciplines:

#1

Quiet Time

Quiet Time is a time your child spends each day having the Bible read to them and learning how to apply it to their lives through an age-appropriate activity followed by a time of prayer.

#2

Scripture Memory

Your child will be learning a Bible verse each month at Gopher Buddies. You can review these verses with your child at home using the verse list in the back of your child's Quiet Time.

#3

Bible Study

A Bible lesson is taught each week to help young children learn about God, the Bible, Jesus, Sin, Christian Growth, and the Church. There are also lessons to help teach your child character traits as well as themed lessons for Christmas, Easter, Parent, and Friend Night.

#4

Selected Reading

Your child will enjoy listening to carefully selected books as they are read throughout the year at Gopher Buddies.

#5

Christian Service

Christian Service activities listed in the back of the Quiet Time give you and your child the opportunity to learn about serving God and others together. There will also be Christian Service activities at Gopher Buddies for the children to do as a group throughout the year.

Tracking their Progress

Membership

Your child can make membership by attending Gopher Buddies three times; saying one Bible verse; and saying the Gopher Buddies motto: “Digging Deeper in God’s Word.”

Levels 1,2,3

There are three levels of achievement your child can earn throughout the year. To complete each level, your child needs to be faithful in Quiet Time; complete one Christian Service activity at home or at Gopher Buddies; learn and say three Scripture memory verses; and read or listen to one selected reading book at Gopher Buddies.

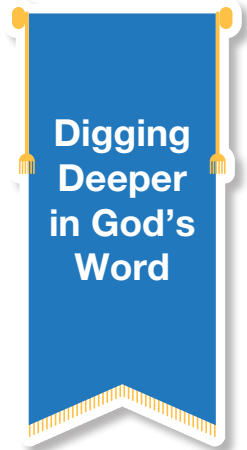
Award Record Sheet

On the last page of this book, you will find the Award Record Sheet. As your child completes each activity or requirement for the various levels of achievement, they will be awarded a sticker to place on the chart. You will want to make note of new stickers your child receives and encourage their progress along the way.

Stickers are placed on the chart in the specified areas from the top of the chart to the bottom.

Verse stickers will be placed numerically as they are learned.

When a level is complete, the character sticker is awarded.





Check each
verse as it is
memorized.

Gopher Buddies Scripture Memory

KJV

Please refer to the weekly Activity Sheet for the
verse your child should be learning.

1 James 1:22
But be ye doers of the
word, and not hearers only,
deceiving your own selves.

2 Psalm 48:1a
Great is the LORD, and
greatly to be praised.

3 John 3:2b
For no man can do these
miracles that thou doest,
except God be with him.

4 Luke 18:1b
That men ought always to
pray, and not to faint.

5 Romans 6:23
For the wages of sin is
death; but the gift of God
is eternal life through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

6 Matthew 5:16a
Let your light so shine before
men, that they may see your
good works.

7 Exodus 24:7b
All that the LORD hath said
will we do, and be obedient.

8 Psalm 118:1a
O give thanks unto the
LORD; for he is good.

9 Ephesians 4:32a
And be ye kind one to
another, tenderhearted,
forgiving one another.

10 Psalm 89:1b
With my mouth will I make
known thy faithfulness to all
generations.

11

1 John 5:3a

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments.

12

1 Peter 5:7

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

13

Psalms 121:2

My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

14

Joshua 24:15b

Choose you this day whom ye will serve.

15

John 14:6

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

16

Philippians 2:14

Do all things without murmurings and disputings.



• (This Quiet Time contains Scripture memory verses in five translations. You may remove any sheets that are not needed.)

Quiet Time Schedule Options

The following chart displays the Bible books and chapters for this year's quiet times. All quiet times cover the same passages each day so the whole family can stay connected to God's Word. Two schedules have been included, or you can create your own for your group or family.



Week #	Books/Chapters	2024-25 Academic Schedule	2025 Calendar Schedule
week 1	Ephesians 1-2	Aug 25 - Aug 31	Dec 29 - Jan 4
week 2	Ephesians 3-4	Sep 1 - Sep 7	Jan 5 - Jan 11
week 3	Ephesians 5-6	Sep 8 - Sep 14	Jan 12 - Jan 18
week 4	Psalms 77, 98, 104, 114, 115	Sep 16 - Sep 21	Jan 19 - Jan 25
week 5	John 1	Sep 22 - Sep 28	Jan 26 - Feb 1
week 6	John 2-4	Sep 29 - Oct 5	Feb 2 - Feb 8
week 7	John 4-5	Oct 6 - Oct 12	Feb 9 - Feb 15
week 8	John 6	Oct 13 - Oct 19	Feb 16 - Feb 22
week 9	John 7-8	Oct 20 - Oct 26	Feb 23 - Mar 1
week 10	John 8-9	Oct 27 - Nov 2	Mar 2 - Mar 8
week 11	John 9-11	Nov 3 - Nov 9	Mar 9 - Mar 15
week 12	John 11-12	Nov 10 - Nov 16	Mar 16 - Mar 22
week 13	John 12-14	Nov 17 - Nov 23	Mar 23 - Mar 29
week 14	John 14-16	Nov 24 - Nov 30	Mar 30 - Apr 5
week 15	John 17-19	Dec 1 - Dec 7	Apr 6 - Apr 12
week 16	John 19-21	Dec 8 - Dec 14	Apr 13 - Apr 19
week 17	Proverbs 18, 20-21	Dec 15 - Dec 21	Apr 20 - Apr 26
week 18	Proverbs 21-23, 26	Dec 22 - Dec 28	Apr 27 - May 3
week 19	Isaiah 1, 6, 11-12, 14, 25, 40	Dec 29 - Jan 4	May 4 - May 10
week 20	Isaiah 40-41, 43, 53, 58, 66	Jan 5 - Jan 11	May 11 - May 17
week 21	Philippians 1-2	Jan 12 - Jan 18	May 18 - May 24
week 22	Philippians 2-4	Jan 19 - Jan 25	May 25 - May 31
week 23	Hebrews 1-3	Jan 26 - Feb 1	Jun 1 - Jun 7
week 24	Hebrews 4-6	Feb 2 - Feb 8	Jun 8 - Jun 14
week 25	Hebrews 7-9	Feb 9 - Feb 15	Jun 15 - Jun 21
week 26	Hebrews 9-10	Feb 16 - Feb 22	Jun 22 - Jun 28
week 27	Hebrews 10-11	Feb 23 - Mar 1	Jun 29 - Jul 5
week 28	Hebrews 12-13	Mar 2 - Mar 8	Jul 6 - Jul 12
week 29	Psalms 100, Proverbs 8, 10	Mar 9 - Mar 15	Jul 13 - Jul 19
week 30	Exodus 1-4	Mar 16 - Mar 22	Jul 20 - Jul 26
week 31	Exodus 4-8	Mar 23 - Mar 29	Jul 27 - Aug 2
week 32	Exodus 8-11	Mar 30 - Apr 5	Aug 3 - Aug 9
week 33	Exodus 12-14	Apr 6 - Apr 12	Aug 10 - Aug 16
week 34	Exodus 14-17	Apr 13 - Apr 19	Aug 17 - Aug 23
week 35	Exodus 19-20, 24-25, 31	Apr 20 - Apr 26	Aug 24 - Aug 30
week 36	Exodus 32-34, 40	Apr 27 - May 3	Aug 31 - Sep 6
week 37	Proverbs 11, 14, Psalm 103	May 4 - May 10	Sep 7 - Sep 13
week 38	Revelation 1-2	May 11 - May 17	Sep 14 - Sep 20
week 39	Revelation 3-5	May 18 - May 24	Sep 21 - Sep 27
week 40	Revelation 19-22	May 25 - May 31	Sep 28 - Oct 4
week 41	Psalms 141, Proverbs 15-16	Jun 1 - Jun 7	Oct 5 - Oct 11
week 42	Romans 1-3	Jun 8 - Jun 14	Oct 12 - Oct 18
week 43	Romans 3-6	Jun 15 - Jun 21	Oct 19 - Oct 25
week 44	Romans 7-9	Jun 22 - Jun 28	Oct 26 - Nov 1
week 45	Romans 10-12	Jun 29 - Jul 5	Nov 2 - Nov 8
week 46	Romans 13-16	Jul 6 - Jul 12	Nov 9 - Nov 15
week 47	Psalms 107, 139, Proverbs 17	Jul 13 - Jul 19	Nov 16 - Nov 22
week 48	2 Chronicles 1, 5, 7, 9, 12	Jul 20 - Jul 26	Nov 23 - Nov 29
week 49	2 Chronicles 20, 26, 34	Jul 27 - Aug 2	Nov 30 - Dec 6
week 50	Psalms 121, 143, 145-147	Aug 3 - Aug 9	Dec 7 - Dec 13
week 51	2 Timothy 1-2	Aug 10 - Aug 16	Dec 14 - Dec 20
week 52	2 Timothy 3-4	Aug 17 - Aug 23	Dec 21 - Dec 27