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Review Lessons 1–5

Lesson Overview



Come On In

Students will complete the Come On In Review Sheet. When they are finished, have different students read the statements and give the answers.



Memory Verse Review Game

Students will review the memory verse by reciting it as they/you erase words, one at a time, from the verse written on the board.



Lesson Theme Poster Review

You will give a quick overview of the lessons you are reviewing today using the Lesson Theme Posters.



Bible Stand Off Review Game

Students will be divided into two teams to answer questions about the previous lessons. Two students will “stand off” across from each other to answer a question from the previous lessons. First one to answer will pick a card to see how many points he has earned.

Bonus points will go to any student who says “Bible Stand Off” first when he hears the bonus phrase, “The Bible is true history.”



Real World Skit

In this skit, Moriah, Victor, and Alyssa are wondering about truth. They wonder why so many people believe different things about God and the world. They are curious about the Bible and wonder if it is true. They ask their friend Ben about it. Will Ben be able to answer the questions Moriah, Victor, and Alyssa ask? Does Ben know why he trusts the Bible?



Snack Celebration (Optional)

Students will enjoy a special snack to celebrate the completion of the first five lessons of this quarter.

Lesson Preparation

WHAT YOU WILL DO



COME ON IN

- Print one Come On In Review Sheet from the Resource DVD-ROM for each student. Print one answer key for your use.



MEMORY VERSE REVIEW GAME

- Write the memory verse on the board before the class.



LESSON THEME POSTER REVIEW

- Gather the Lesson Theme Posters to review for the class.



BIBLE STAND OFF REVIEW GAME

- Print one set of five Bible Stand Off Lesson Theme Posters from the Resource DVD-ROM for each student.
- Bring in a deck of cards, Uno® cards, or numbers written on index cards to use for scoring.



REAL WORLD SKIT

- Print five copies of the Real World Skit: One Truth, from the Resource DVD-ROM.



SNACK CELEBRATION—OPTIONAL

- Prepare and serve a celebration snack of your choice, if appropriate.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

- Come On In Review Sheet for each student
- Come On In Review Sheet Answer Key

- Memory Verse Poster
- Small prizes like pencils or bookmarks, optional

- Lesson Theme Posters from Lessons 1–5

- Five Bible Stand Off Lesson Theme Posters for each student
- A deck of cards, Uno® cards, or numbers written on index cards to use for scoring
- Small rewards, optional

- Five copies of the Real World Skit

- Celebration snacks

Memory Verse

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

► **Pace your lesson!** Use the clocks to mark the time you want to finish each section. This will help you stay on track and finish on time. You may need to shorten or drop sections as necessary.





BEFORE THE THRONE

Jesus, living Word, my Savior—John said he beheld your glory, and you were full of grace and truth. Thank you for your grace, so undeserved, and your gift of truth—that I continue to learn from. I am confident in the Gospels and the way you worked in the four different authors you ordained to write down everything we need to know about your life, death, Resurrection, and ascension. As I teach, help me inspire great confidence in your Word. And may my students walk away from this review lesson better equipped to answer their friends' questions about you and your Word. In all we do, may we glorify you!



COME ON IN

As students arrive . . .

- They will complete the Come On In Review Sheet using the Lesson Theme Posters for help.
- When they are finished, assign students to read the statements on the sheet and give the answers. Discuss as appropriate.

Introduction

Are you ready for our review? This is going to be fun. We are going to cover the last five lessons. Everyone will be able to participate as we play Bible Stand Off, review the memory verse, and watch a skit.

Let's get started—with the memory verse. I'm going to take this poster down, but first let's read it together. *Point to the Memory Verse Poster and read the memory verse together several times.*



Memory Verse Review Game

INSTRUCTIONS

Allow students to look at the Memory Verse Poster and say the verse together as a class a couple of times. Write out John 1:14 on the board. Call on students to erase one word at a time and then repeat the verse. Continue until the verse is completely erased.

If time is an issue, have the students erase two or more words at a time. You can award small prizes for all enthused participants if appropriate.

We have been working on this verse from John for five weeks. Today, you'll get a chance to say the whole verse from memory for the class. We're going to play a game. This is how it works.

Our memory verse, John 1:14, is written up on the board already. I'm going to call on you one at a time. The person I call on will come up and erase a word—any word you choose. Then say the whole verse out loud to the class. Each person will erase one word, making it more difficult to

Materials

- Chalkboard/Dry Erase Board with the memory verse written on it
- Optional: Small prizes like pencils or bookmarks

recite. Call on any new students to go first! Encourage the students to keep the game moving at a quick pace by moving quickly up to the board, being ready to erase their word, and then saying the verse right away. If you have limited time, have the students erase more than one word at a time.

CONNECT TO THE TRUTH

? Great job everyone! Would anyone else like to say the verse now? Call on any students who would like to say the verse.

And let's all say it together one more time. Recite the verse together.

Memorizing Scripture sometimes seems impossible! But look how well you did today! This is a special way to honor God. He wants us to know His Word well, obey it, and share it with others. We'll be starting a new verse next week!

- Use the New Testament History Poster included with your teacher kit as you teach the lesson. Emphasize that Jesus ministered only 3 years and He lived only about 35 years. Yet His life changed the world forever and brought eternal life to all who believe.



Lesson Theme Poster Review

Today, we're going to review what we've read and talked about over the past five lessons. And we're going to have fun doing it! Let's go through the Lesson Theme Posters first. Pay attention to what I tell you because it'll help you when we play Bible Stand Off.

Refer to Lesson Theme Poster 1. In our first lesson we heard that the Messiah had come. He was the one so many had been waiting for. Jesus's birth was the fulfillment of God's plan of redemption. This plan was first mentioned in the book of Genesis. It was spoken of and written about all through the Old Testament for thousands of years before He came.

When Jesus was born, there was great rejoicing by those who longed for His appearing. The old priest Simeon knew the prophecies, and the Holy Spirit showed him that Jesus was the one he had been waiting for. When Mary and Joseph brought the baby Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to be dedicated, Simeon took the baby in his arms and blessed God because he knew the baby he was holding was the long-awaited Savior who would bring truth to the whole world.

The prophets spoke of Jesus in the Old Testament. And now in the New Testament we read from eyewitnesses that Jesus was the promised Messiah. After all these years, the Messiah had finally come!

Refer to Lesson Theme Poster 2. We know we can trust the New Testament. It is true. How do we know? Before Jesus died, He promised the Father would send the Helper, the Holy Spirit, who would teach the apostles. The Spirit of Truth—which is another name for the Holy Spirit—would guide the writers of the New Testament into all truth. The Holy Spirit is God, and God never makes mistakes. We know the New Testament is true! The

Spirit of Truth helped the writers remember what happened and inspired them to write it.

And some of the authors of the New Testament were friends of Jesus. They lived with Jesus and talked with Him. Jesus testified that the words they wrote were true. Others wrote down about Jesus what they learned from the men who walked with Jesus. We can be confident the events they wrote down for us are true.

Refer to Lesson Theme Poster 3. Let's move on to Lesson 3. The Gospels are the good news about Jesus. There are four Gospels in the Bible. They were written by four different men—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. And when we look at them all together, they give us one true account of Jesus's life.

There are some differences in what the Gospel writers wrote about Jesus's life, but that is because they were four different men writing at different times. The differences we read about shouldn't make us doubt the Bible. In fact, the differences confirm that the Bible is true! The differences confirm that different people wrote the Bible, and that those people were writing about the same things—things that really happened!

Refer to Lesson Theme Poster 4. In Lesson 4 we learned that God used each of the four authors of the Gospels to write the account of Jesus's life from his own unique perspective. And when we read and study all four of the Gospels, we have a more complete picture of who Jesus was.

Matthew started with a genealogy and called Jesus the Son of David. He wanted the Jews and all readers to know that Jesus is the Messiah who God promised in the Old Testament and that He is the eternal King—the King who came to redeem His people from their sin.

Mark showed a compassionate Jesus who loved people and wanted to help them. He said Jesus was a suffering servant who suffered death on the Cross so sinners could be saved. Jesus came to serve others—not to be served.

Luke showed that Jesus Christ, the Son of Man, was fully human. Jesus came to call sinners like you and me to repentance. And He came to earth to seek and save the lost!

John is the last Gospel. It was written by Jesus's close friend, John. He wanted readers to know that Jesus is the Son of God. John wanted his readers to believe in Jesus. John knew that sinners can have eternal life with God in heaven forever through Jesus. Jesus is the ONLY way! John said that God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

Refer to Lesson Theme Poster 5. And what a life Jesus had, even though it was a short life—35 years or so. And His ministry only lasted 3 years. Yet He did

amazing things that showed a watching world that the Messiah—Jesus—who was fully God and fully man had come to earth.

We read about Jesus's birth and parts of His life: He taught, healed the sick, controlled nature, and was finally tried and put to death on the Cross. He rose from the dead, and His disciples saw Him go into heaven. But that isn't the end. Jesus promised that He will return one day—and what a glorious day that will be.

The Bible records many of the events of Jesus's life, but we could never know all there is to know about Jesus. We do know Jesus is infinitely perfect—the eternal God. And He came to bring eternal life to all who turn away from their sins in repentance and faith, and believe and trust in Him—the promised Messiah, the Savior.

Wow! That was a quick review of the last five lessons. And it is time to play Bible Stand Off.

Materials

- Bible Stand Off Lesson Theme Posters for each student
- Two rows of chairs
- A deck of cards, Uno® cards, or numbers written on index cards to use for scoring
- Small rewards, optional

► Keep the game moving. Have students switch seats quickly. Ask the questions as the players walk back to the end of their row.

► Pass out the Bible Stand Off Lesson Theme Posters to each student.



Bible Stand Off Review Game

Divide the class into two teams. Arrange two rows of chairs facing each other. Have team 1 sit in one row of chairs across from team 2. Ask the first review question to the two students in seat 1. Students can refer to their Bible Stand Off Lesson Theme Posters for the answers.

The first student to answer correctly, gets to choose a card at random. Students will keep their cards until the end of the game. The card value represents points. If using playing cards, face cards are 10. Jokers are 20. At the end of the game teams will total their points.

After the first question has been answered and one of the players has a card, both players stand up and move to the end seat in their row. All the other players scoot one seat up. Ask the two new players in seat 1 the next question. Repeat the same as before, until all questions have been asked. At the end of the game, teams will add up their cards to see who wins.

Let's get into teams! We're going to play Bible Stand Off! Help me set up two rows of chairs. The chairs should be facing each other. Here's how we'll play.

I'm going to ask questions about the past five lessons. You can find the answers to these questions on your Bible Stand Off Lesson Theme Posters. The players in the first seats will get to answer. Whoever answers the question first and correctly will get to pick a card from this deck of cards. The card will show the number of points your team gets. As soon as the winner draws a card, those players move to the last seat and everyone else will move up. We'll move as quickly as possible.

Do you want bonus points? All of you pay attention while I'm asking the questions, because if you hear me say, "the Bible is true history," the first person to say "Bible Stand Off!" will get to pick a card for his or her team. The team with the most points when the game is finished is the winner.

Lesson 1

- Ready? Don't forget to listen for the bonus phrase, "*the Bible is true history.*" Here we go.
- OK! From Lesson 1, which part of the Bible talks about Jesus—the Old Testament or the New Testament? *Both!* OK! Switch seats!
Remember, "*the Bible is true history.*" Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"
- Who was the old man in the Temple who confirmed Jesus was the awaited Savior? *Simeon.* OK! Switch seats!
- When did God first tell of His plan of redemption? *In the book of Genesis 4,000 years before Jesus was born.* OK! Switch seats!
- Who did God speak through before Jesus was born? *The prophets.* OK! Switch seats!
- Who does God speak through now? *Through Jesus Christ.* OK! Switch seats!
The Messiah had come. Many people rejoiced at His birth.
Remember, "*the Bible is true history.*" Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"
Turn to Lesson 2. In Lesson 2, we explored the reasons we can trust the New Testament.
- Who did Jesus promise He would leave with His disciples? *The Holy Spirit.* OK! Switch seats!
Remember, "*the Bible is true history.*" Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"
- What is another name for the Holy Spirit? *The Helper or the Spirit of Truth.* OK! Switch seats!
- What is one thing the Helper would do? *Teach them.* OK! Switch seats!
- And what is another thing the Helper would do? *Help the disciples remember what to write.* OK! Switch seats!
Remember, "*the Bible is true history.*" Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"
- What else do we know about the writers of the New Testament? It is another reason we believe what they wrote to be true. *They were eyewitnesses to Jesus or were friends of the apostles.* OK! Switch seats!
- What is an eyewitness? *Someone who saw what was happening, witnessed it, was with them, etc.* OK! Switch seats!

We can trust the New Testament. Some of the authors lived with Jesus and talked with Him. Others were friends of the apostles who knew Jesus. They knew what they were talking about. And, we know that they were helped by the Holy Spirit—the Helper. Jesus promised He would teach them and remind them what to write.

- Any student who responds first when they hear, "The Bible is true history," will get an opportunity to pick a card from the deck. Proper response is, "Bible Stand Off!"
- As students answer the questions and respond for the "bonus" points, quickly have them pick a card. You may want an assistant to handle the cards while you are asking questions and encouraging quick answers and movement.

Lesson 2

Lesson 3

Now turn to Lesson 3. In Lesson 3 we took a closer look at the four different men who wrote the Gospels.

Remember, “*the Bible is true history.*” Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”

- ? Name one of the authors. *Matthew.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? And name another author? *Mark.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? And the third man? *Luke.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? And who was the fourth Gospel writer? *John.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Who are the Gospels written about? *Jesus.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? How many Gospels are there? *Four.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? How many men wrote the Gospels? *Four.* OK! Switch seats!

Remember, “*the Bible is true history.*” Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”

- ? How many true accounts of Jesus’s life are recorded in the Bible? *One.* OK! Switch seats!

The Gospels were written by four different men. The four Gospels are not exactly the same, but they tell the ONE true account of Jesus’s life.

Lesson 4

On to Lesson 4. Remember, “*the Bible is true history.*” Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”

There are several correct answers to the following questions. Use the Lesson Theme Poster to confirm a correct answer. Keep the game moving quickly!

- ? What did Matthew call Jesus? *Son of David.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? What did Mark tell us about who Jesus was? *Suffering servant.* OK! Switch seats!

Remember, “*the Bible is true history.*” Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”

- ? Luke said Jesus was the Son of _____. *Man!* OK! Switch seats!
- ? And John told us Jesus was the Son of _____. *God.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Matthew talked about Jesus being the one who was promised to be _____ and _____. *King and Messiah.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Mark said Jesus came to _____, not to be served. *Serve.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Luke said Jesus came to seek and save someone. Who was that? *The lost.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? John wanted his readers to know what Jesus can bring to believers. What is that? *Eternal life.* OK! Switch seats!

Remember, “*the Bible is true history.*” Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”

The four authors of the four Gospels each wrote the truth about Jesus’s life. Even though they are different, we know each Gospel shows

something different and special about Jesus. They are all true and give us a more complete picture of who Jesus is.

Remember, "*the Bible is true history.*" Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"

Turn to Lesson 5.

Lesson 5

- ? Whose life did we study in Lesson 5? *The life of Christ.* OK! Switch seats!
 - ? We started at the beginning. What was the first event we talked about? *Jesus's birth.* OK! Switch seats!
 - ? How old was Jesus when Mary and Joseph found Him in the Temple listening to the teachers? *12.* OK! Switch seats!
 - ? Jesus performed miracles while He was on earth. What are a couple of the miracles we looked at? *Healed the sick. Controlled nature.* Ok! Switch seats!
- Remember, "*the Bible is true history.*" Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"
- ? Men followed Jesus. They were His disciples. Why did they follow Him? What did Jesus do while He was with His disciples? *Taught them.* Ok! Switch seats!
 - ? And what happened to Jesus? How did He die? *He died on the Cross.* Ok! Switch seats!

Jesus came to die. He lived a perfect life. He did not deserve to die. And yet, because of His great love, He came while we were sinners. And He gave His life so that whoever would believe could be saved. And though it looked like He had lost—being crucified by people who hated Him—we know that He had the victory. He won in the end.

- ? What happened to Jesus that showed us He was the winner in the end? *He rose from the dead.* Ok! Switch seats!

When He rose from the dead Jesus showed that He has victory over death—that anyone who believes and trusts in Him will not need to fear death again! Jesus rose! He gives us hope!

And after He rose from the dead many people saw Him. He spoke to them and ate with them. He was alive!

Remember, "*the Bible is true history.*" Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"

- ? But then something else happened! Jesus left the earth. What was the last thing the disciples saw of Jesus on earth? *He ascended into heaven.* Ok! Switch seats!

Jesus returned to His Father! His work was finished. His disciples saw that and blessed God and praised Him. Now His disciples would go out and teach others about Jesus and what He did while He was on earth.

The life of Christ is truly amazing! He lived only a short life, and His ministry was only about three years. Yet, what He did, what He taught, how He died, who He was—everything about Him—changed the world forever!

Remember, “*the Bible is true history.*” Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”

That is our review! Collect your cards, add up the points, and let’s see which team won in today’s “Bible Stand Off!” Have each team collect its cards into one pile. Add up the point value for each team and pronounce the winning team. Pass out small prizes to the winning team if appropriate.

So, the Messiah had come just as the prophets of old had promised. And the Gospels tell us about His life on earth. The words written by Jesus’s disciples are true. Four men wrote four different Gospels. But they tell one account about one life—the life of Jesus. The men who wrote the Gospels were inspired by the Holy Spirit and were eyewitnesses to the things Jesus did.

Knowing the truth about who God is, through His Word, is the only way we will be able to answer the questions we get from our friends.

That’s what our skit is about today. Ben knows about the Bible. And when his friends have questions, he CAN answer! Let’s see what happens as we watch the skit.



Real World Skit: One Truth

Materials

- Five copies of the One Truth scripts

INSTRUCTIONS

Choose four students to act out the skit in front of the class. Encourage them to make their part come alive by using facial expressions and hand motions that match their character. Follow along in case students get lost or need help. Perform the skit.

DISCUSS THE SKIT

The Bible is true, but sometimes it's hard to explain why we believe that. The answers we give to people who ask us about our faith don't have to be complicated. The Bible is true, and the gospel saves.

It is good to know specifics about why we believe these things, like Ben did in the skit. The facts about the manuscripts, the eyewitnesses, God's own testimony that His Words are true, and other things give us confidence to defend God's Word.

But some people are not going to believe what you tell them, no matter what evidence you have. Those are the people we pray for, that God will open their hearts to the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ—that He lived, died, and rose so that sinners could be forgiven of their sins and accepted in the eyes of our perfect Creator God.



Snack Celebration—Optional

Now, who is ready for a snack? *Have your snack as you discuss the skit, today's review, and/or memory verse.*



Group Prayer Time

Be sure to pray with your class before you dismiss them.

- Praise God for the truth of His Word.
- Thank God for Jesus, the Word made flesh, who came to earth to save sinners.
- Pray that God will open the minds and hearts of your students to the truth of God's Word and the gospel.

Notes