



Review Lessons 8–12

Lesson Overview



Come On In

Students will assemble the Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles. They will use the puzzles later in the lesson.



Memory Verse Review Toss

Students will recite the memory verse then score points as they toss beanbags into the baskets.



Lesson Theme Poster Review

You will give a quick overview of Lessons 8–12 using the Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles from the Come On In Activity. Have students put their assembled Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles up on the board as you review each lesson.



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. The first one to answer will pick a card to see how many points he has earned.

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



Real World Skit: Block Party

In this skit, Hannah invites her friend Elsa to come to her church block party. The invitation raises some questions about true salvation and who is good enough to be invited to church. Will Hannah and her friend Eric know how to answer these important questions?



Snack Celebration (Optional)

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

Lesson Preparation

WHAT YOU WILL DO

WHAT YOU WILL NEED



COME ON IN

- Print and cut out at least one of the five Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles from the Resource DVD-ROM for each student.
- Make sure that at least one of each poster is given out.
- Have students assemble the puzzle onto construction paper or tape it together.

- Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles for each student
- One sheet of construction or printer paper for each student
- Glue sticks or tape
- Scissors
- Crayons or markers
- Students will use the puzzle posters later during the class



MEMORY VERSE REVIEW TOSS

- Print and cut out the Basket Point Labels from the Resource DVD-ROM.
- Bring in three laundry baskets or boxes. Attach a point label to each basket or box.

- Memory Verse Poster
- Basket Point Labels
- Two beanbags
- Three laundry baskets or boxes
- Masking tape



LESSON THEME POSTER REVIEW

- Students will use the Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles they completed during the Come On In Activity.

- Completed Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles
- Tape or poster putty



BIBLE STAND OFF REVIEW GAME

- Bring in a deck of cards, Uno® cards, or numbers written on index cards to use for scoring.

- A deck of cards, Uno® cards, or numbers written on index cards to use for scoring
- Two baskets or containers to hold each team's point cards
- Optional: small rewards



REAL WORLD SKIT

- Print four copies of the Real World Skit: Block Party from the Resource DVD-ROM.
- Recruit three older students or adults to perform the skit for your class.

- Four copies of the Block Party Script
- Three older students or adults to perform the skit



SNACK CELEBRATION (OPTIONAL)

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

- Celebration snacks
- Napkins or paper towels



BEFORE THE THRONE

Your Word is a delight to my soul, O Lord. Thank you, Lord, for sending the promised Holy Spirit who brings light, life, strength, and courage to believers! You were and have always been sovereignly in control of your church and the spread of the gospel. Your gospel spread beyond the Jews and, because you show no partiality, I am welcomed as your child through the blood of Jesus. I pray, dear Lord, that you will open the eyes of my students today. Allow them to hear your truth, repent of their sins, and turn to you in faith!



COME ON IN

As students arrive . . .

- They will put together the Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles from Lessons 8–12.
- They can glue the puzzles onto construction paper or tape them together. The completed puzzles will be used later in the class.



After all the students arrive, pray with them before beginning the lesson.

Introduction

Are you ready for our review? This is going to be fun! We are going to cover the past 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. First, let's read it together. *Point to the words on the Memory Verse Poster and read the memory verse together several times.*



Memory Verse Review Toss

INSTRUCTIONS

Use masking tape to make a tossing line. Bring in three laundry baskets or boxes. Set the baskets in a line making each one a little farther away from the tossing line. Label the baskets with 5, 10, and 25 points so the farther away they are, the higher the score. Divide the class into two or more teams depending on size. Have the teams line up at the tossing line. Ask students from each team to say the memory verse for their team. When a student says it correctly, he will have a chance to toss the beanbags into the basket then sit down or go to the end of the line. Repeat until all students have recited the verse at least once. Keep track of the scores for each team on the board. If someone cannot say the memory verse, let him go to the end of the line and try again.

We are going to play a game. I'm going to tape down a line here and line up these baskets. Each basket is worth different points—5, 10, and 25. Each team member will take a turn and recite the memory verse without looking at the poster. If you recite it correctly, you will get to try and toss two beanbags from this line into the baskets to earn points. We will keep track of your points on the board. If you can't say the verse, look at the Memory Verse Poster and you can try again later! Let's play! *Play the game.*

Materials

- Memory Verse Poster
- Three Basket Point Labels—5, 10, 25
- Two beanbags
- Three laundry baskets or boxes
- Masking tape

► If appropriate, offer individual prizes to students who can recite the verse alone. Encourage everyone to try.

► 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.

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► Have students bring the poster puzzles they assembled and put them on the board as you review the lessons. If more than one student has the lesson poster, have them all come up and put their posters on the board.

CONNECT TO THE TRUTH

Determine the winning team when the game is finished.

? **Would anyone like to recite the verse for us?** *Encourage students to recite the verse without looking at the poster.*

Let's all say it together one more time. *Recite the verse together.*

We should not be ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes. It is important that we learn what the Bible says so we can be confident to share it with others—and not be ashamed!



Lesson Theme Poster Review

Today, we're going to review what we've read and talked about over the past six lessons. Let's go through the Lesson Theme Posters first. When we get to the Lesson Theme Poster you have, bring it up and place it on the board.

? **Let's start with Lesson 8. Who has that poster puzzle? Bring it up and stick it to the board for us.** *Allow student(s) to attach the puzzle to the board or wall with tape or poster putty.*

Refer to Lesson 8 Lesson Theme Poster. **Jesus had promised to send a Helper to His disciples.**

? **Who was that Helper? Do you remember?** *The Holy Spirit.*

That's right. The Helper was God the Holy Spirit.

The disciples were together in Jerusalem. When suddenly, with a loud sound like rushing wind and then fire, the Holy Spirit came to them! All the Jews who had traveled to Jerusalem for the Pentecost holiday heard the disciples in their own languages telling of God's amazing work! God was faithful to His promise to send the Holy Spirit! And this was just the beginning. The Holy Spirit gave the disciples courage and strength to go and preach the gospel to all nations.

When we trust in Jesus, we are sealed with the same Holy Spirit who came to the disciples! His seal says we belong to Jesus. And He makes us new creations inside and gives us the help we need to grow His fruit to be more like Jesus.

What fruit am I talking about? It is the fruit of the Spirit. I want you all to repeat the fruit of the Spirit right now—after me! Ready?

Have students repeat after you. **Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.**

If you are a believer then you are a child of God. The Holy Spirit is at work inside your heart. He will help you grow this fruit. He will give you strength and power to obey God every day.

- ? Next is Lesson 9. Who has that poster puzzle? Bring it up and put it on the board for us. *Allow student(s) to attach the puzzle to the board or wall with tape or poster putty.*

Lesson 9

Refer to Lesson 9 Lesson Theme Poster. The Holy Spirit gave strength and courage to the apostles, such as Peter and John, who were persecuted because they were preaching and doing miracles in the name of Jesus. They were boldly telling everyone that Jesus was the Messiah and that He was crucified and had risen from the dead. But the Jewish leaders didn't like that at all!

So they arrested the apostles, beat them, and threatened them. But that didn't stop the apostles from talking about Jesus. In fact, Peter and John said it was better for them to obey God instead of these men who told them to stop.

Remember, earlier the apostles had run away when Jesus was arrested and crucified. But now they talked about Jesus! And even though they were beaten, put in jail, and warned to stop, the apostles still rejoiced! They prayed, glorified God, and continued to speak the Word of God. It was the Holy Spirit who was in them that made all the difference. He gave them the courage to keep preaching the good news of Jesus!

In this lesson we saw how God uses people to accomplish His plans. If you're a believer, the Holy Spirit is in you, too, and He will give you strength and help you to tell others who Jesus is and what He has done. You don't need to be afraid or be ashamed of the gospel. You can trust in God to help you.

- ? How about Lesson 10? Who has that poster puzzle? Bring it up and stick it to the board for us. *Allow student(s) to attach the puzzle to the board or wall with tape or poster putty.*

Lesson 10

Refer to Lesson 10 Lesson Theme Poster. We learned that the church in Jerusalem grew quickly after the Holy Spirit came. But it wasn't long before persecution began. Remember, persecution means bringing trouble or suffering to others because of their faith. The followers of Jesus were being persecuted. It was a difficult and scary time for believers.

The Christians were forced to leave their homes so they would not be arrested. But they didn't leave their faith behind with their homes and jobs. No! The truth about Jesus was in their hearts and minds. So, everywhere they went the good news of Jesus was preached!

God also used Philip to spread the gospel even further. Philip went to Samaria where many heard about Jesus and believed. Then God sent an angel to tell him to go to a desert road where he met a man from

Lesson 11

? OK. On to Lesson 11. Who has that poster puzzle? Bring it up and put it on the board for us. Allow student(s) to attach the puzzle to the board or wall with tape or poster putty.

Refer to Lesson 11 Lesson Theme Poster. Oh! In this exciting lesson, we heard about a Jewish leader named Saul. Saul started on a journey to seek out and arrest the men and women who were following the way of Jesus Christ. His plan was to arrest them and take them to Jerusalem. Saul thought this was pleasing to God because he believed the disciples of Jesus were against God. Then suddenly, Jesus appeared to Saul in an amazing way!

A bright, blinding light appeared from heaven, and Saul fell to the ground. It was Jesus calling Saul to serve Him! Saul, who was also called Paul, was changed from being a man who wanted to kill believers, into being a believer himself! God had a plan to use Saul to help build His church. Saul would preach the gospel to the Jews, to the Gentiles, and even to kings!

Lesson 12

? And now for Lesson 12. Who has that poster puzzle? Bring it up and stick it to the board for us. Allow student(s) to attach the puzzle to the board or wall with tape or poster putty.

Refer to Lesson 12 Lesson Theme Poster. God wanted Peter the Jew to meet with Cornelius the Gentile. God was teaching a lesson to them and to all Christians. That lesson was that the gospel wasn't just for the Jews. It is for everyone who believes. God shows no partiality—all men are special to Him. God wants the gospel to go out into all the world.

God wants His children to tell everyone that ANYONE who repents of his sins and believes in Jesus as his Savior can have God's free gift of salvation and eternal life.

Materials

- Two rows of chairs
- A deck of cards, Uno® cards, or numbers written on index cards to use for scoring
- Two baskets or containers to hold each team's point cards
- Optional: small rewards



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. Set the teams up so they can easily see the Lesson Theme Poster Puzzles that were posted on the board during the review. Ask the first review question to the two students in seat 1. Students can refer to Lesson Theme Posters for the answers.

The first student to answer correctly gets to choose a card at random. Students will put their cards into the team's basket 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 all the point cards in each team's basket will be totaled.

After the first question has been answered and one of the players has drawn 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, add points to determine a winner.

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 some of these questions on the Lesson Theme Posters if you need help. The players in the first seats will get to answer. Whoever correctly answers the question first will get to pick a card from this deck of cards and put it in your team's basket. 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. The team with the most points when the game is finished wins the game.

And you can make extra points for your team! Pay close 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 team and add it to the team's basket.

Ready? Don't forget to listen for the bonus phrase, "The Bible is true history." Here we go.

- ? From Lesson 8, who promised that the Helper would come to the believers after He left? *Jesus.* OK! Switch seats!
 - ? Remember, "The Bible is true history." *Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"*
 - ? What sound did the disciples hear when the Holy Spirit came? Was it the tinkling of bells or the roar like a rushing wind? *The roar like a rushing wind.* OK! Switch seats!
 - ? The disciples heard a rushing wind. Then they saw something. What did they see when the Holy Spirit came on them? *Something that looked like fire.*
 - ? The disciples had run away when Jesus got arrested because they were scared. What did the Holy Spirit give the disciples? It helped them to go and talk about Jesus! *Courage, strength, confidence, fruit of the Spirit.* OK! Switch seats!
 - ? Who does the Holy Spirit come to today? *All true believers, all Christians.* OK! Switch seats!
- Yes! All true believers—all true Christians—are sealed with the Holy Spirit when they trust in Jesus as their Savior.
- ? True or false? One thing the Holy Spirit does is produce fruit in every believer. *True.* OK! Switch seats!

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

► Students can use the Lesson Theme Posters put on the board earlier. Be sure they can be easily seen by the students.

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► Bonus Points: The first student who responds with the phrase "Bible Stand Off!" when he hears you say, "The Bible is true history," will get to pick another card from the deck. Remember, the proper student response is, "Bible Stand Off!"

Lesson 9

► As students answer the questions and respond for the “extra” 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.

- ? Which of these is *not* a fruit of the Spirit? Love, jealousy, or joy. *Jealousy*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Which of these is *not* a fruit of the Spirit? Anger, gentleness, or self-control. *Anger*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? We know this is all true because “The Bible is true history.” *Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”*

Now for Lesson 9.

- ? Which two apostles did we read about in this lesson? *Peter and John*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Peter and John were preaching in the Temple. Who were they telling others about? *Jesus Christ*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? They had the courage to preach boldly. And the Bible says they had the power to heal a man! Who did they receive the courage and power from? *The Holy Spirit*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Who was angry at the apostles for what they were doing? *The Jewish leaders*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? We can be sure that all of this really happened because “The Bible is true history.” *Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”*
- ? The Pharisees told Peter and John to STOP teaching in the name of Jesus. What did they do? *They did not stop! They continued to speak about Jesus*. OK! Switch seats!

Peter and John could not stop! They knew in their hearts that they needed to obey God and speak of Jesus. They knew He is the only truth!

- ? What did the apostles do after they suffered for Jesus? How did they feel about suffering for Christ? *They rejoiced to be counted worthy to suffer*. OK! Switch seats!

The church was growing—more and more people believed in Jesus.

- ? It is amazing how God works in history. And remember, “The Bible is true history.” *Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”*

Now we’ll move on to Lesson 10. We learned that God’s Word continued to spread.

- ? How were the early Christians being treated? *It was hard for them. They were being persecuted and arrested*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Remember, “The Bible is true history.” *Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”*
- ? Many Christians ran for their lives and left their homes because of the persecution. Who did they tell others about as they traveled? *Jesus!* OK! Switch seats!

Lesson 10

- ? We talked about one man God sent as a missionary. Who was that? *Philip*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? God first sent Philip to Samaria. What was Philip supposed to tell the people there? *The gospel. About Jesus*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? What did the people in Samaria think about what Philip preached? *They believed*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Who else did God send Philip to preach the gospel to? *The Ethiopian*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? What did the Ethiopian think of all the things Philip told him? *He believed the truth and was baptized!* OK! Switch seats!

The Bible tells us that the people who were being scattered because of their faith went everywhere preaching the Word. God was growing the church. Many were hearing about Jesus.

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

- ? On to Lesson 11. Who was this lesson about? *Saul*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Who was Saul? *A Jewish leader, a persecutor of the church*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Why did Saul treat the Christians so badly? *He hated them. He did not believe what they said about Jesus*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Saul was on his way to the city of Damascus. What was he going to do there? *Arrest the Christians*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Remember, "The Bible is true history." *Encourage response, "Bible Stand Off!"*
- ? What did Saul see on the road to Damascus? What happened to Saul? *A bright light shone from heaven. Saul fell to the ground*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Who spoke to Saul from heaven? *Jesus*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Saul was changed! Who did he now believe in and love with all his heart? *Jesus!* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Saul had another name. What other name does the Bible use for Saul? *Paul*. OK! Switch seats!
- ? Paul suffered a lot of trials for his faith in Jesus. What is it called when someone suffers for his faith? *Persecution*. OK! Switch seats!

Saul, or Paul, had met the living Christ, and he was completely changed. God used Paul to build Jesus's church. Now he traveled from city to city and preached the gospel, suffered, and praised the name of Jesus!

On to Lesson 12. God was still growing His church. And we learned that God wanted the Gentiles to know about Jesus.

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- ? Name one of the two men we read about in this lesson. *Cornelius and Peter.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Name the other man we read about in this lesson. *Cornelius and Peter.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Cornelius and Peter were different from each other. Which one was a Jew? *Peter was a Jew.* OK! Switch seats!
- ? Cornelius was a Gentile. What does Gentile mean? *Someone who is not a Jew.* OK! Switch seats!

Yes. Peter was a Jew and Cornelius was a Gentile. Jews and Gentiles were not allowed to be friends. And it was mostly only Jews who had believed in the gospel up to this point.

- ? You know, “The Bible is true history.” *Encourage response, “Bible Stand Off!”*
- ? What did God want the Jews and the Gentiles to learn? *The gospel is for everyone—all nations.* OK! Switch seats.

That’s right! All people need to hear the gospel so they can believe in Jesus and have eternal life with God.

That is our review! Let’s add up the points and see which team won in today’s “Bible Stand Off!” *Add up the point value for each team and announce the winning team. Pass out small prizes to the winning team if appropriate.*

We have covered a lot! The promised Holy Spirit came, the Christians were persecuted, Jesus changed Saul forever, and the gospel spread to both Jews and Gentiles!

Knowing the truth about Jesus through His Word is important. It 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. Hannah and Eric’s church is having a block party for the neighborhood. When Hannah invites her friend Elsa, she’s surprised by the questions she asks about salvation and the church. Will she and Eric know what to say? Let’s see what happens as we watch the skit.

Materials

- Four copies of the Block Party Script (one for each part and one for you)
- Three older students or adults to perform the skit



Real World Skit: Block Party

INSTRUCTIONS

Recruit three older students or adults to perform the skit. Encourage them to make their part come alive by using facial expressions and hand motions that match their character. Follow along in case they get lost or need help. Perform the skit.

DISCUSS THE SKIT

Hannah probably didn't know that an invitation to a block party could bring up so many important questions. When Elsa said she had prayed for salvation, but didn't feel any different, Hannah and Eric were able to explain that true Christians become new creations in Christ. Their lives change!

And when Elsa wondered why Hannah would invite Melissa, Jimmy, and James to the party, Hanna and Eric could explain that the gospel is for everyone and that we are all sinners. We all need Jesus for forgiveness and eternal life.

This block party was a great opportunity for Hannah and Eric to invite their friends to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ! And it also gave them the chance to answer questions about their faith. This conversation went well. They were talking to their friend. But sometimes talking about Jesus doesn't go so well.

? Are you ever afraid people will make fun of you if you talk about Jesus?
Allow discussion.

That may happen to you. And it is happening all over the world. People are being persecuted for their faith in Jesus. But don't let that stop you. Be ready. You never know when you will be called on by God to tell someone about Jesus. The Holy Spirit will give you strength and courage to speak out in love about 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 His rich mercy to provide a way for all sinners through Jesus Christ because He shows no partiality.
- Thank Jesus for sending the Holy Spirit to give us courage and strength to tell others how they can have eternal life with God.
- Pray that our hearts will be loving toward all the lost who need to know Jesus as Lord.

