

Wise Up

SCOPE & SEQUENCE

Lesson	Bible Topic	Target Truths	Developmental Activities	Character Development
1	What (Who) is wisdom?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wisdom comes only from God. The religion of humanism is man's view of the world. Wisdom is a person (Jesus Christ). A wise person follows the principles of the Word of God. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Searching and discussing scriptural truths Discussing media commercials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognizing humanism and godliness in our own lives
2	Differences between wisdom and foolishness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Bible distinguishes between the actions of a wise man and a fool. Whether we are wise or not is not a matter of age but rather of knowing and fearing God. We need to evaluate our own lives from time to time to recognize any foolish ways in us. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making comparisons Taking notes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognizing personal attitudes and reactions to life situations
3	Following the examples of wise men	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We can learn wisdom from studying the examples of wise men. A wise person knows how to handle conflicts. We need to learn to place priorities on different aspects of our lives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Researching/reviewing the lives of Solomon and Daniel Studying conflict resolution in Scripture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding priorities Learning to deal with conflict Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Wisdom
4	Wisdom at home	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being a part of a family enables our lives to run smoothly. Everyone in a family has responsibilities that need to be fulfilled to allow the family to function smoothly. A young person's right attitude is a key ingredient to a successful family. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Searching and discussing scriptural truth Writing compositions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing a grateful attitude Showing courtesy
5	Honoring our parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We need to honor and respect our parents for the rest of our lives. We will have definite consequences in our lives if we dishonor our parents. God holds our parents responsible for their actions also. Our parents are the primary instructors in our lives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summarizing key ideas Defining specific attitudes Drawing conclusions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overcoming pride Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Maturity at home
6	Understanding freedom and responsibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Freedom and responsibility must work together for success. We need to take responsibility for all of our actions. We need to use our freedom wisely so that others will trust us. We need to base our lives on the principles God teaches us. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applying Bible principles Taking notes for discussion Writing compositions Interviewing parents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding how to build trust Accepting personal responsibilities
7	Understanding how attitudes affect actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our outward actions begin with our inner attitudes. We need to learn to control negative attitudes toward others. Jesus always responded properly because His inner attitudes were filled with love. God promises blessing for obedience. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Taking notes from a variety of Scriptures Using notes to define Bible truths 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding commands and promises Developing patience Learning to respond spiritually
8	Having right attitudes about myself	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God wants us to have right attitudes about ourselves. Our inner attitudes about ourselves affect how we treat others. We need to understand the place of trials and tribulations in our lives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Researching/reviewing the life of Job Discerning commands and promises 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning to forgive Appreciating our uniqueness and purpose Making decisions
9	Discerning good and bad friendships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wrong friends do not have our best interests in mind. A true friend will want only what is best for us. We need to stay away from those who would encourage us to do wrong. We have a need to be accepted but shouldn't do wrong things just to be accepted by others. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing Scripture Writing a summary based on Scripture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing past actions to make future decisions
10	Choosing right friendships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are not to judge and condemn others because we many times do not have all the facts about their problem. We need to learn to listen to our friends and support them when they have problems. We are to stay away from those who would pull us down. We need to choose our friends carefully. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing conclusions after analyzing Scripture Writing acrostics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning to listen Evaluating friendships

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11	Knowing how to keep good friends	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are different levels and expectations of friendships. We can see an example of commitment in Jonathan and David's friendship. By studying Proverbs, we can learn specifically how to become a good friend. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing a chart Sharing ideas and concepts Working in a group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluating my ability to be a good friend Learning to encourage others Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Am I a good friend?
12	Loving all people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If we love God, we will love all others. There is no respect of persons with God. By loving others, we can help them come to know Jesus as Savior and Lord. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing principles based on Scripture Studying and analyzing parables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognizing wrong attitudes toward others Serving others
13	Wisdom in dealing with the flesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God is very specific about those things that He considers to be works of the flesh. There are definite consequences to living for the flesh. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using a dictionary Discerning characteristics of various types of people Interviewing adult Christians 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognizing fleshly attitudes
14	Recognizing sins of the flesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have a tendency to sin that is the result of Adam's fall. There will be definite consequences in our lives if we continue in our sin. We need to learn to defend our standards on biblical principles. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completing a chart Defending biblical standards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing personal problems
15	Learning to walk in the Spirit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fruit of the Spirit is the character of God. The flesh fights against the Spirit to keep us from having success. God desires to conform us to the image of His Son, Jesus. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing definitions and synonyms Explaining concepts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding inner reactions Developing the fruit of the Spirit
16	What is character?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God wants to build strong Christian character into our lives. God has many promises for those who develop godly character. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing a chart Supporting a concept from Scripture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning to respond properly
17	Walking in love and gentleness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To love one another is one of the greatest commandments of God. God wants us to learn to love our neighbors, the poor, and even our enemies. We need to learn to forgive others so that we can learn to love them. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Giving examples to support a concept Completing a chart 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning to forgive Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Am I loving and kind to others?
18	Walking in integrity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrity is the inner core of our character. Others should know that we can always be trusted to tell the truth. The principle of sowing and reaping is continually at work in our lives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stating principles based on Scripture Drawing conclusions Evaluating advertisements Interpreting Scripture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing right motives
19	Developing meekness and humility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meekness consists of inner strength; it does not mean weakness. Pride and arrogance will end in destruction; while meekness will be honored by God. A meek person is able to suffer injustice because he knows that God will put all things right. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeing consequences Writing compositions Developing a play 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing humility Overcoming pride
20	Hard work and faithfulness reap rewards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God will help us to set goals within His will for us. Faithfulness and hard work will help us achieve our goals. We will have to learn to overcome obstacles to achieve our goals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing the life of Johann Gutenberg Writing a news story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting goals Discerning how to handle life situations
21	Working on self-control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God wants us to have control over both our actions and our emotions. It is the Holy Spirit within us who can help us have the control we need. We need to live a disciplined life. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Setting goals for a disciplined life Taking notes Using a concordance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing self-control
22	Developing courage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fear of the Lord is a trusting respect of the Lord. We never have to fear what man can do to us. Courage is a result of God's power in our lives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing group presentations Writing a composition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having courage to choose to do the right thing
23	Walking in submission and obedience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submission and obedience are things we do for our own good—not just out of duty to someone else. Our attitude is as important in obedience as our actions. When we are disobedient to authority, we are disobedient to God as well. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using a concordance Using a Bible character to illustrate a concept Writing acrostics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning submission Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Submission

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24	Know how to find God's will	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God has a purpose for us, and finding God's will is simply learning what that purpose is. There are definite areas of our lives that must be right in order for us to know God's will. To know God's will, we must be willing to be totally submissive to Him. Knowing God's will is first of all seeking and knowing God Himself. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Giving examples to illustrate scriptural truth Learning cooperatively 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keeping a clear conscience
25	Staying in God's will	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a pattern of failure if we stray from God. God's will begins with what is happening to us right now and extends into every aspect of our future. Satan will try to blind us so we cannot find God's will. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparing the lives of Abraham and Lot Writing biblical principles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the purpose of obedience Making decisions based on Scripture
26	Learning how to use money	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God entrusts us with money, and He expects us to spend it wisely. What we do with our money tells us something about our values. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing biblical principles Applying principles to life situations Learning cooperatively 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing a grateful attitude Accepting financial responsibility
27	Having right thoughts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God is pure and unselfish in His thought life. His thoughts are beyond our understanding. God wants us to guard what we put into our minds. God has specific principles for what we should think about. We can control what we put into our minds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applying biblical principles to life situations Discerning thought processes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the importance of right thoughts
28	Making right decisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The key decision of life is whether or not we have decided to follow God completely. We must take decisive steps to stay away from evil. We must take decisive steps to stand for right. Learning to make right decisions is a sign of maturity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing the biography of Martin Luther Writing research reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deciding to stand for or against something
29	Keeping our promises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus made promises to us that He will never break. When we make a vow before the Lord, we must not break our word. We need to learn to seek wise counsel when we must make an important decision. My personal convictions need to be based on God's Word. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing Scripture Discerning wise counsel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the importance of keeping a vow Understanding the need for wise counsel
30	Controlling the tongue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We cannot tame our tongues without the control of the Holy Spirit. The tongue can be used both for good and evil. We need to learn how to talk to others as well as learn to become a good listener. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making comparisons Analyzing Scripture for specific truths Making notes for a discussion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing self-control over what we say
31	What we say affects others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The things we say can affect others for good or bad. We do not always have to say what we think. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finding descriptive words and key ideas from Scripture Writing a composition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing our unspoken attitudes
32	Having good success	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Success for the Christian begins on the inside rather than relying on external pleasures. God gives specific guidelines on how to prosper as a Christian. Contentment and joy are given by the Holy Spirit and bring us true satisfaction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzing the life of William Tyndale Making evaluations and discussing opinions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning ideas and attitudes necessary for success
33	Desiring good success	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To prosper and have success, we need to have faith that God will fulfill what He has promised to do for us. We need to learn principles of success from the examples of others. We need to find a balance between pressing forward to accomplish our goals and being content in all things. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparing two sets of Scriptures Analyzing Scripture for specific truths Analyzing why various Bible characters were or were not successful Writing a definition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the balance between hard work and being content Learning from biblical characters

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34	Being a good leader	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God has chosen each of us for at least one leadership position in life. • All of the lessons we have learned during the year are a part of the training necessary to become a good leader. • The key leaders in our lives right now are our parents. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discerning attitudes of Bible characters • Analyzing the life of John Wycliffe • Writing a composition • Presenting dramas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding the need for humility and courage • Recognizing leadership qualities • Taking a self-evaluation quiz: Loyalty
35	Spending time with God	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is important for us to continue to build our relationship with God when we are out of school for the summer. • Spending time with God helps us build our relationship with Him. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparing Scriptures • Stating Bible concepts in your own words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing a personal relationship with God