

We Believe: Faith Questions
2009–2010 Scope & Sequence
(Older Youth)

(Subject to Change)

Available for fall 2009

God (670501)

Session 1: Where Is God?

Scripture: Psalm 19:1–4a; Acts 17:22–31

Session 2: Who Is God?

Scripture: Matthew 28:16–20

Session 3: Why Did God Allow Sin into the World?

Scripture: Genesis 3:1–13

Session 4: Does God Know What Will Happen Before It Happens? (and if so, Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?)

Scripture: Psalm 139; Romans 8:31–39

Session 5: Does God Cry When We Cry and Laugh When We Laugh?

Scripture: Exodus 33:7–23; John 14:8–9

Session 6: Why Do People Believe (or Not Believe) in God?

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:1–3; Hebrews 11:1 (2–40)

Church (670502)

Session 1. Why Do We Sing in Church?

Scripture: Ephesians 5:19; James 5:13; Colossians 3:16; Psalm 150

Session 2. Why Do We Worship on Sundays?

Scripture: John 20:1; Acts 20:7; Genesis 2:2–3; Exodus 20:8–11; Mark 2:27

Session 3. Why Do You Go to Church If You Believe in God?

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12–26; Romans 12:4–8

Session 4. Isn't It Enough to Believe in God and Jesus and Lead a Good Life?

Scripture: Hebrews 10:24–25; Romans 1:11–12; Matthew 28:19–20

God's Creation (670503)

Session 1. How Are We Related to God's Creation?

Scripture: Genesis 1:1–2:1; 2:7, 15, 18–20a; Psalm 8

Session 2. What Does the Old Testament Say About Taking Care of Creation?

Scripture: Genesis 13:2–12; Leviticus 25:1–7; Isaiah 32:16–20; 40:10–12

Session 3. What Would Jesus Recycle?

Scripture: Matthew 6:25–34; Luke 10:25–29

Session 4. What Else Can I Do to be a "Green" Christian?

Scripture: Romans 8:18–25; Psalm 19:1–6; James 2:14–17; Philippians 2:1–8; Matthew 28:16–20

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Being Presbyterian (670504)

Session 1: What Does It Mean to be Presbyterian?

Scripture: John 17:11; Galatians 3:26–28; 2 Timothy 3:16; 1 Timothy 3:1–13; Exodus 18:13–27; Matthew 18:18–20

Session 2: What’s So Special About a Presbyterian Church on Sunday?

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 14:26, 40; 1 John 1:8–9

Session 3: What Do Presbyterians Believe About God?

Scripture: Daniel 2:20–23a; Ephesians 2:4–5, 8–10; 1 Peter 2:24

Session 4: What Do Presbyterians Believe About the People of God?

Scripture: Matthew 12:31; Romans 3:23–24; Matthew 5:21–24
Jonah 1:1–4, 12, 17, 2:1–2, 7–10, 3:1–5a, 10, 4:1–11;

Session 5: Where Did Presbyterians Come From?

Scripture: Ephesians 2:1–10; Acts 2:1–4, 37–47; 2 Kings 22:1–13, 23:1–3, 21–25

Session 6: What Do Presbyterians Do?

Scripture: Micah 6:1–2, 6–8; John 21:15–17; Matthew 28:16–20

The Bible (670505)

Session 1: Where did the Bible Come From?

Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:20–25

Session 2: Why Do We Need So Many Versions of the Bible?

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:16–17

Session 3: Do We Take the Bible Literally?

Scripture: Psalm 19:7–10

Session 4: Why Does God in the Old Testament Seem to Be Scary and Cruel, while Jesus in the New Testament is for Peace and Love?

Scripture: John 1:1–5

Jesus Christ (670506)

Session 1: What Does Jesus Look Like?

Scripture: Various Stories from the Four Gospels: Matthew, Mark Luke and John

Session 2: How Is Jesus God?

Scripture: John 1:1–14 and either Mark 1:9–11 or Matthew 17:1–8

Session 3: What Makes Jesus So Great?

Scripture: Acts 10:36–43; Luke 4:16–24

Session 4: Who Do You Say I Am?

Scripture: Mark 8:27–30 or Matthew 16:13–20

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Forgiveness (670507)

Session 1: What Motivates God to Continue Loving Us?

Scripture: Psalm 103; John 3:16–17

Session 2: Why Did God Make Humanity Sinful?

Scripture: Genesis 3. Ephesians 2:1–10

Session 3: If We Are All So Bad, Why Doesn't God Just Try Again in Another World?

Scripture: Romans 6:1–4, 12:1–2; 2 Samuel 11:1–12:14; Psalm 51

Session 4: Is Anything Unforgivable?

Scripture: Matthew 20:1–15; Jonah 4

Session 5: Why Should I Forgive?

Scripture: Matthew 18:21–35; Mark 11:25; Proverbs 17:9

Session 6: How Do I Forgive?

Scripture: Matthew 6:7–15; Matthew 18:15–20; Genesis 50:15–21; James 5:15–16

Holy Spirit (670508)

Session 1: Who Is the Holy Spirit?

Scripture: Genesis 1:1–2

Session 2: How Do We Sense God around Us?

Scripture: John 14:15–26

Session 3: What Does the Holy Spirit Do *For* Us?

Scripture: Acts 19:1–7

Session 4: What Does the Holy Spirit Do *Through* Us?

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:4–11

Heaven and Hell (670509)

Session 1: What Happens When You Die?

Scripture: Job 14:1–14a; Matthew 22:1–2

Session 2: What Is Heaven Like?

Scripture: John 3:16–17; Daniel 12:1–3; Matthew 7:7–11; John 14:2; Psalm 23

Session 3: What Is Hell Like?

Scripture: [TBA]

Session 4: How Can I Get Into Heaven and Stay Out of Hell?

Scripture: John 12:20–26; Titus 3:4–5, 6–7; Genesis 11:1–4; Ephesians 2:8–9; Matthew 19:16–26; John 6:54; Amos 5:18–24; Romans 10:9; James 2:14–24; Romans 2:7; Romans 3: 23–24; Matthew 7:7–11