

# Theology for Children

Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. Psalm 34:11

#### List of Lessons

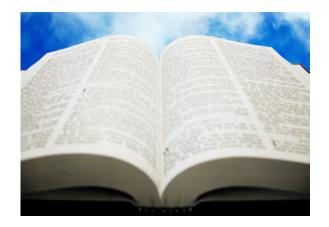
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- 20. Ask God for the Holy Spirit to have more of his power.
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- 26. One day Jesus will end history and take you to be with him.
- 27. You will get a new body at the resurrection.
- 28. Someday you will stand before Christ to be judged.



### God created everything.

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. Genesis 1:1



#### The Bible came from God and is perfectly true.

God has breathed life into all of Scripture. It is useful for teaching us what is true. It is useful for correcting our mistakes. It is useful for making our lives whole again. It is useful for training us to do what is right. 2 Timothy 3:16



### God shows everyone who he is.

Ever since the world was created it has been possible to see the qualities of God that are not seen. I'm talking about his eternal power and about the fact that he is God. Those things can be seen in what he has made. So people have no excuse for what they do. Romans 1:20



# God made marriage for one man and one woman.

Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib, and he brought her to the man. "At last!" the man exclaimed. "This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called 'woman,' because she was taken from 'man.'" This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. Genesis 2:22-24



Jesus lived a sinless life here on earth over 2000 years ago.

God called you to do good, even if it means suffering, just as Christ suffered for you. He is your example, and you must follow in his steps. He never sinned, nor ever deceived anyone. 1 Peter 2:21-22



Jesus shows you what truth is. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 8:31-32

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#### Jesus gave up his life for you.

God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life. John 3:16



### Sin = messing up life in any way

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Sin entered the world because one man sinned. And death came because of sin. Everyone sinned, so death came to all people.

Romans 5:12



### You can make things right with God.

Say with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord." Believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead. Then you will be saved. With your heart you believe and are made right with God. With your mouth you say that Jesus is Lord. And so you are saved. Romans 10:9–10



### You begin to change when you follow Jesus.

Anyone who believes in Christ is a new creation. The old is gone! The new has come! 2 Corinthians 5:17



Getting baptized shows your decision to follow Jesus.

By being baptized, we were buried with Christ into his death. Christ has been raised from the dead by the Father's glory. And like Christ we also can live a new life. Romans 6:4



#### Get to know Jesus as your good friend.

Jesus said, "I do not call you servants anymore. Servants do not know their master's business. Instead, I have called you friends. I have told you everything I learned from my Father."

John 15:15

### Over time, you will grow in your faith in God.

Dear friends, we have these promises from God. So let us make ourselves pure from everything that pollutes our bodies and spirits. Let us be completely holy. We want to honor God.

2 Corinthians 7:1



#### Following Jesus will make you a better person.

The fruit the Holy Spirit produces is love, joy and peace. It is being patient, kind and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself. There is no law against things of that kind. Galatians 5:22-23



#### The devil is your enemy and you must fight him.

Control yourselves. Be on your guard. Your enemy the devil is like a roaring lion. He prowls around looking for someone to chew up and swallow. Stand up to him. Stand firm in what you believe. I Peter 5:8–9



#### Ask God to guide you and he will.

I will guide you and teach you the way you should go. I will give you good advice and watch over you. Don't be like the horse or the mule. They can't understand anything. They have to be controlled by bits and bridles. If they aren't, they won't come to you. Psalm 32:8-9



#### Gather with other Christians to worship God.

Let us not give up meeting together. Some are in the habit of doing this. Instead, let us cheer each other up with words of hope. Let us do it all the more as you see the day coming when Christ will return. Hebrews 10:25

# Look in your heart for sins that hurt your conscience.

Put to death anything that belongs to your earthly nature. Get rid of your sexual sins and unclean acts. Don't let your feelings get out of control. Remove from your life all evil longings. Stop always wanting more and more. You might as well be worshiping statues of gods. God's anger is going to come because of those things.

Colossians 3:5-6





#### Show that you want to follow Jesus by taking Communion.

When he had given thanks, he broke bread. He said, "This is my body. It is given for you. Every time you eat it, do it in memory of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup. He said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Every time you drink it, do it in memory of me." When you eat the bread and drink the cup, you are announcing the Lord's death until he comes again. 1 Corinthians 11:24-26



#### Ask God for the Holy Spirit to have more of God's power.

Don't fill yourself up with wine. Getting drunk will lead to wild living. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit. Speak to each other with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord.

Ephesians 5:18-19

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#### Jesus will help you do great things for him.

"What I'm about to tell you is true. Anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. In fact, he will do even greater things. That is because I am going to the Father." John 14:12



#### You can ask people to pray for you.

Are any of you sick? Then send for the elders of the church to pray over you. Ask them to anoint you with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer offered by those who have faith will make you well. The Lord will heal you. If you have sinned, you will be forgiven. So admit to one another that you have sinned. Pray for one another so that you might be healed. The prayer of a godly person is powerful. It makes things happen.

James 5:14-16



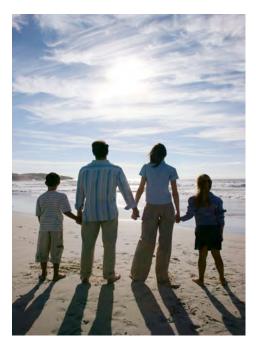
# Support your church by giving tithes.

"Bring the entire tenth to the storerooms in my temple. Then there will be plenty of food. Put me to the test," says the Lord. "Then you will see that I will throw open the windows of heaven. I will pour out so many blessings that you will not have enough room for them." Malachi 3:10



# God wants you to obey the law.

All of you must be willing to obey completely those who rule over you. There are no authorities except the ones God has chosen. Those who now rule have been chosen by God. So when you oppose the authorities, you are opposing those whom God has appointed. Those who do that will be judged. If you do what is right, you won't need to be afraid of your rulers. But watch out if you do what is wrong! Romans 13:1-3



### Jesus asked you to tell others about him.

Jesus said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. So you must go and make disciples of all nations. Baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And you can be sure that I am always with you, to the very end."

Matthew 28:18-20



#### One day Jesus will end history and take you to be with him.

The Lord himself will come down from heaven. We will hear a loud command. We will hear the voice of the leader of the angels. We will hear a blast from God's trumpet. Many who believe in Christ will have died already. They will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them. We will be taken up in the clouds. We will meet the Lord in the air. And we will be with him forever.

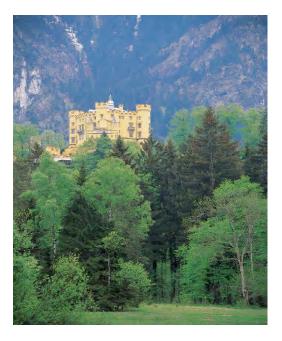
1 Thessalonians 4:16-17



### 27 You will get a new body at the resurrection.

Listen! I am telling you a mystery. We will not all die. But we will all be changed. That will happen in a flash, as quickly as you can wink an eye. It will happen when the last trumpet sounds. The trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised to live forever. And we will be changed. Our natural bodies don't last forever. They must be dressed with what does last forever.

1 Corinthians 15:51–53



### Someday you will stand before Christ to be judged.

We must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in this earthly body. 2 Corinthians 5:10

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