# THIS MONTH We Will...

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# Learn

 Week One—Creation Calls Us to Worship
 Week Two—God Calls Abraham, and We Are His Children
 Week Three—God Commands Us to Worship
 Week Four—King Jesus Will Be Worshiped Forever

# Read

• Psalm 95:1-7

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- Genesis 1
- Genesis 12:1-8
- Exodus 20:1-11
- Revelation 21-22

# Sing

- "O Worship the King"
- "Here I Am to Worship"
- "Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down"

## Memorize

"Come let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand." — Psalm 95:6-7

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### WEEK FOUR: Call to Worship



King Jesus Will Be Worshiped Forever



#### **TO PRINT:**

Large Memory Verse to hold up (1 copy)\*

#### **TO GATHER:**

- Hymnal/lyrics for songs\* (Optional: guitar or music to sing along with)
- Basket for offering\*
- Blank paper (1 sheet/child)
- Crayons or markers\*

#### **OPTIONAL:**

- Kid's Activity Sheet (1 copy/ child—meant for readers)
- Elements of Worship Icons\* (Found in the introduction section of this curriculum.)

\*These items will be needed every week.

# LEADER'S Review

We've seen one of the most amazing relationships develop throughout the last month—not just the interaction with the King and His subjects, but where the Creator of the Universe comes to earth and starts an eternal commitment to a wayward group of people. If that's not the start of a love story, I don't know what is.

From the calling of Abraham, we see the initial steps and the establishment of the relationship when God defines how to relate to Him in the commandments. One would think receiving such intimate directions would generate a dedication to God that would never waver. But of course the Israelites, much like us, were selfish. They decided to follow their own plans rather than God's plans. Over and over they needed help in worshiping God. Let's pray our students and we ourselves know God and worship the Savior.



# Note this...

Before class, take time to learn the hand motions for this month's memory verse. (See the training videos.)

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# THE Lesson ••••••••••••

## Call to Worship - Psalm 95:6-7

Learn this month's memory verse—Hold up the large printout of the verse. Teach the children the verse and corresponding gestures. (5 minutes)

"Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand."

**Optional:** Do the following motions while reciting the above passage:

- Come—pull hand to yourself
- Worship—both arms bent to sides to make 'W'
- **Bow**—put both arms forward then bow arms and head
- **Kneel**—do it! (and while kneeling do the next motion)
- Lord—raise one arm and make 'L' with pointer finger and thumb
- Maker—raise other arm and make fist with three middle fingers over thumb (pinky hiding) sign for letter M, and stand back up
- He—point up to God—hands over heart
- **People of his pasture**—left arm bent flat in front of you then with right hand walk fingers across left arm
- **Sheep**—make fist with left hand and pet with right hand—hold out both hands, palms up

## **Praise**

#### Sing worship songs with the children. (10 minutes)

- "O Worship the King"
- "Here I Am to Worship"
- "Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down"

## **Tithes and Offerings**

Recite the following prayer for the offering. Then, pass around the offering basket. (2 minutes)

We give Thee but Thine own, whate'er the gift may be: All that we have is Thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from Thee. (vs. 1 of "We Give Thee But Thine Own")



## **Confession of Faith**

Lead the children in confessing their faith by teaching the following catechism questions. (1 minute)

#### First Catechism Questions 1-2

- 1. Q. Who made you? A. God
- 2. Q. What else did God make? A. God made all things
- 3. Q. Why did God make you and all things? A. For His own glory
- 4. Q. How can you glorify God?
  - A. By loving Him and doing what He commands
- 5. Q. Why are you to glorify God? A. Because He made me and takes care of me
- 6. Q. Is there more than one true God? A. No. There is only one true God.

## **Reading of the Word**

#### Read scripture. (2-3 minutes)

### **Revelation 21-22**

<sup>21</sup> John, one of Jesus' disciples, received this vision from an angel. I saw Heaven and earth new-created. Gone the first Heaven, gone the first earth, gone the sea. <sup>2</sup> I saw Holy Jerusalem, new-created, descending beautifully out of Heaven, as ready for God as a bride for her husband. <sup>3-5</sup> I heard a voice thunder from the Throne: "Look! Look! God has moved into the neighborhood, making his home with men and women! They're his people, he's their God. He'll wipe every tear from their eyes. Death is gone for good—tears gone, crying gone, pain gone—all the first order of things gone."

<sup>9-11</sup>One of the seven angels spoke to me: "Come here. I'll show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." He took me away in the Spirit to an enormous, high mountain and showed me Holy Jerusalem descending out of Heaven from God. <sup>12-14</sup>The city shimmered like a precious gem, light-filled, pulsing light. She had a wall majestic and high with twelve gates. At each gate stood an angel. The wall was jasper, the color of glory, and the city was pure gold, clear as glass. The foundations of the city walls were garnished with every precious gem imaginable. The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate a single pearl. <sup>21-27</sup> The main street of the city was pure gold, translucent as glass. But there was no sign of a temple, for the Lord God—the Sovereign-Strong—and the Lamb are the Temple. The city doesn't need sun or moon for light. God's Glory is its light, the Lamb its lamp! Its gates will never be shut by day, and there won't be any night. They'll bring the glory and honor of the nations

into the city. Nothing and no one dirty will get into the city. Only those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life will get in.

<sup>22:1-5</sup> Then the angel showed me Water-of-Life River, crystal bright. It flowed from the Throne of God and the Lamb, right down the middle of the street. The Tree of Life was planted on each side of the River, producing twelve kinds of fruit, a ripe fruit each month. The Throne of God and of the Lamb is at the center. His servants will offer God service—worshiping, they'll look on his face, their foreheads mirroring God. Never again will there be any night. No one will need lamplight or sunlight. The shining of God, the Master, is all the light anyone needs. And they will rule with him age after age after age. [*My First Message*]

### **Prayer**

#### Give a prayer of adoration and thanksgiving for the Creator of all things new. (1-2 minutes)

Dear Jesus, when You return, You will make all things on the earth new and perfect again. We also know when You come into our hearts, You immediately make our hearts new so we can love You and do Your work. Thank You for Your promises and for loving us. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen.

## **Hearing the Word**

## Teach the lesson to the children using the text below as a guide. (2-3 minutes for lesson; 5-10 minutes for activity)

The very last book of the Bible is called Revelation. Revelation means "eye-opener" and God had the disciple John write down all that He showed him about what is going to happen in the future. Some of Revelation is difficult for us to understand because it is about Heaven, a place that we have never seen. But one thing is certain, in heaven we will worship Jesus our King forever and ever.

## **ACTIVITY:** Give each child a blank piece of paper and several crayons or colored markers and tell them:

 We are going to draw heaven. Listen again as I read the description of what we will see in heaven from the last book of the Bible, Revelation. As I read it, draw what you think it may look like. (Emphasize the colored jewels—name some colors of precious gems. Name some fruit that may be on that Tree of Life, etc.)

Another sight that John saw in this new heaven was every living creature bowing down and worshiping the King on His throne. Who is the King on the throne of heaven? Who made Jesus the King?

Philippians 2 says this:

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,
<sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of

men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

God made Jesus King over all the earth because Jesus came to us to save us. What did Jesus do to save us? He took all of our sins on Himself. When He died on the cross, His blood paid for and covered all of our sins. So, now we stand before God as perfect children. We don't see ourselves as perfect or "holy," but God does—and it's all because of what Jesus did for us on the cross. Because Jesus is perfect, because Jesus loves us and died for us, because we can now spend forever with God in heaven—we worship Him.

Let's sing and pray together now so that our Jesus knows that we know He is the King and we want to worship Him, not just here on earth, but one day in heaven forever.

### **Benediction**

#### Recite the following verse. (1 minute)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit (Phil. 4:23).

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