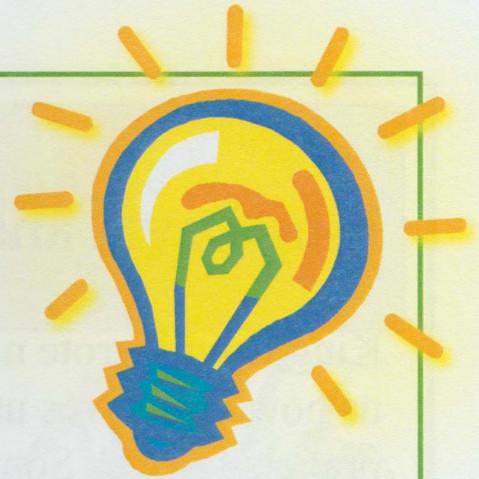


Lighting the Way



Parents' Page

Lesson 1

King David and the Psalms

Your child should understand...

Faith — Drawing strength from God's Word

Your child should be able to...

1. Tell how someone who loves God and the Bible is like a big healthy tree.
2. Tell how a wicked person will die like grass in the winter.
3. Identify two ways that God makes sure His people have the things they need.

Your child should be memorizing...

Psalm 100:1-2

“Shout to the Lord with joy everyone on earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come to Him with songs of joy.”

Please read to your child...

Thursday	Psalm 1:1-4, 6
Friday	Psalm 37:3-4, 7-8
Saturday	Psalm 37:23-24
Monday	Psalm 112:1, 5-7
Tuesday	Psalm 127:2; Psalm 128:1-2

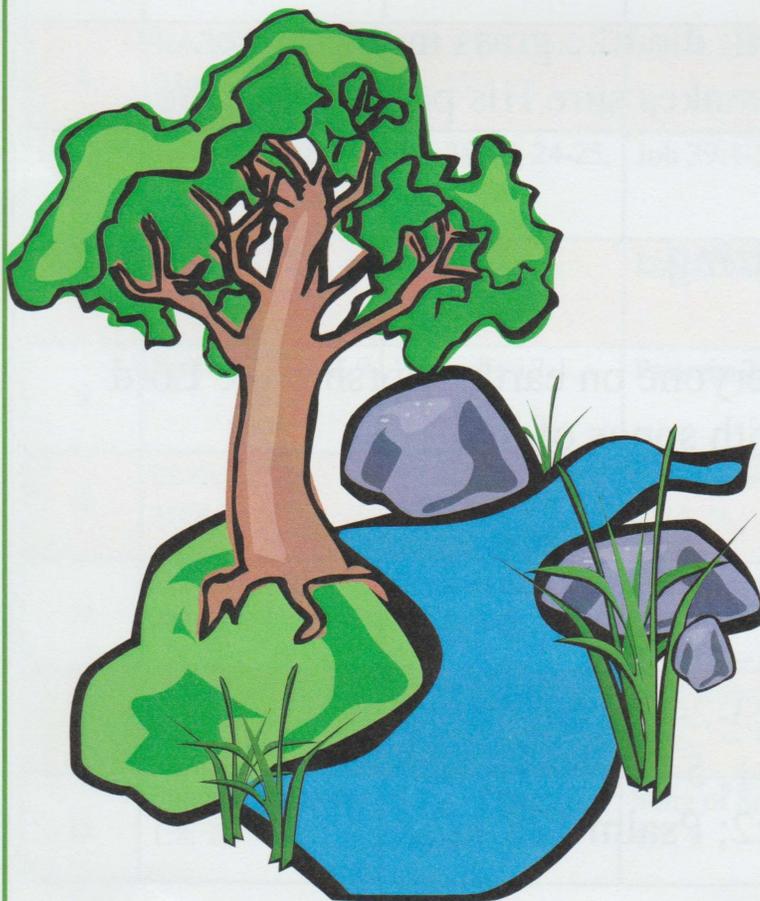
King David and the Psalms

King David wrote many of the Psalms in the Bible. The Psalms tell us how God loves us and takes care of us. Many of the Psalms are prayers to God. Some are prayers telling God how wonderful He is. David wrote other Psalms to ask God to take care of him when he was afraid or lonely or sad.

The first Psalm says that a person who loves God and God's Word is like a big strong tree. A big tree needs lots of water and food. God's Word is food for our hearts when we study the Bible.

The leaves of a strong tree are shiny and green. If we keep God's Word in our hearts, we will not get tired of being Christians. We

will keep loving and obeying God. Then we are like a tree that keeps its green leaves.



A strong tree also has lots of fruit on it. When we love God, we are full of good words and we do good things. When we love God, we will teach others about Jesus. So our fruit is to love God, love and be kind to other people, and tell other people about Jesus.

A person who loves God and God's Word will be like a big strong _____.

This Psalm also tells us that a wicked person will dry up like dead leaves or grass in the winter. You see, God's Word is what feeds our souls. Without God's Word, our souls will dry up and be useless—just like dry grass that the wind blows away.



A wicked person who does not love God and God's Word will be like dry _____ that the wind blows away.

David tells us that we must put God first in everything we do. Then God will always give us what we need to live—food and water and clothes and Christian friends.

We may not always have what we think we need. But God will make sure we have what we need at just the right time! David tells us to “wait for the Lord.” Sometimes we have a hard time waiting for God to help us. But if we wait for God and obey Him, He will always help. I'm so glad God loves us and takes care of us, aren't you?

Circle the things that God makes sure we always have if we put Him first in our lives:

toys

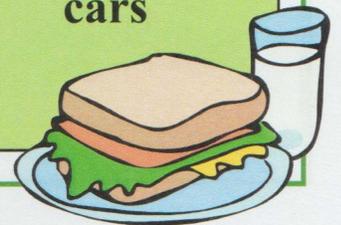
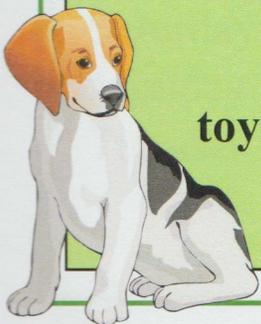
food

pets

water

clothes

cars



King David and the Psalms

Memory Verses:

You have **new memory verses!** Practice saying them over and over again with your mother or daddy.

Psalms 100:1-2

“Shout to the Lord with joy everyone on earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come to Him with songs of joy.”

Shine a Light on the Bible Facts



Who is the whole Bible about?

(Jesus: Jesus is Coming – Jesus is Here – Jesus is Coming Again)

Can you say **the Bible verse** that tells when the heavens and the earth were made?

(Genesis 1:1: “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.”)

On your **Bible map**, put your **hand** over the land of **Canaan**. Another name for Canaan is the Promised _____.