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#### Group resources really work!

This Group resource incorporates our R.E.A.L. approach to ministry. It reinforces a growing friendship with Jesus, encourages long-term learning, and results in life transformation, because it's:



#### Relational

Person-to-person interaction enhances spiritual growth and builds Christian friendships.

#### Experiential

What we experience through action and discussion sticks with us up to 9 times longer than what we simply hear or read.

#### Applicable

The aim of ministry is to equip people to be both hearers and doers of God's Word.

#### Lifelong

Experiences transform the heart, moving faith beyond the walls of church and into everyday life for years to come.

## Group

FaithWeaver NOW® Bible Curriculum, Grades 3 & 4 Student Book: Bible Truth Sleuth, Spring

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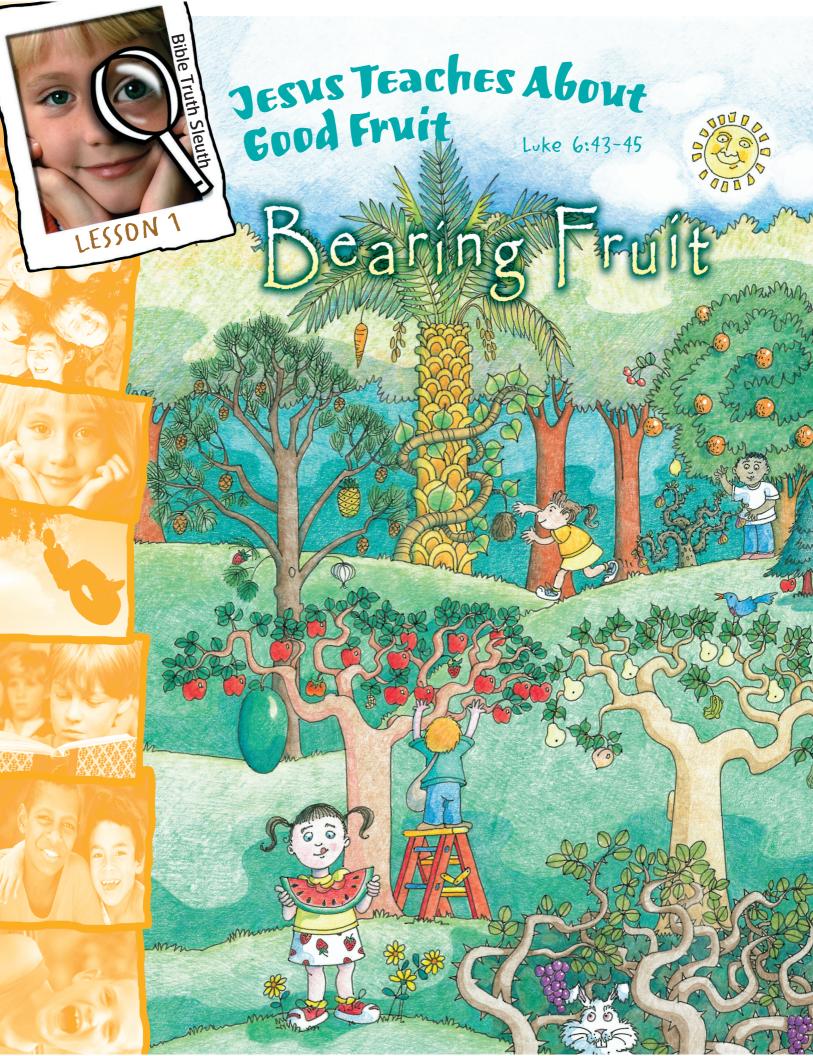
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# BIBLE STORY (THE BASICS)

Today's Bible story is only three verses long, and here's what it's about. Jesus is talking, and he says that good trees don't make bad fruit and bad trees don't make good fruit. Then he says that a tree can be recognized by the fruit it bears.

Jesus used the example of fruit to teach us about people. These verses mean that Christians should be recognized by the good fruit they bear. Like the Key Verse says, others will see the good fruit (their good deeds) and will praise God.

Bible Point: Acting like Jesus shows we're Christians.

**Key Verse:** "In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).



### **FAMILY FUN** Fruitful Fun

One night this week, have a fantastic dessert full of fruit! Serve strawberry shortcake, pineapple upside-down cake, and apple pie.

Or if you have no time to bake, instead serve a simple variety of plain fruit. Cut up apples, bananas, and oranges, and serve the pieces with a fresh yogurt dip.

As you enjoy your dessert, go around the table and let each person tell one way he or she has seen someone in the family bear good fruit during the week. Then pray together, thanking God for helping each person in his garden bear fruit for him.





This week kids committed to shining their lights for Jesus and being kind to others (instead of choosing a

Daily Challenge)! Help your child weave faith into life this week and follow through on his or her commitment!



### **MONDAY** Luke 6:43-45

Why do you think our actions show what's in our hearts?

#### TUESDAY John 15:1

How are we like branches on Jesus' vine?

#### WEDNESDAY John 15:2

How does God "prune" or trim branches to make them produce more fruit?

#### THURSDAY John 15:4

Why can't we produce fruit without staying connected to Jesus?

#### FRIDAY John 15:5

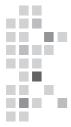
How can we stay connected to Jesus so we'll "bear fruit"?

### SATURDAY John 15:8

How can our "fruit" show people that we're Jesus' disciples?







## Dear Parents,

Your family is important to our church, and we want to support your role as spiritual leader to your child.

In our effort to provide the highest quality Christian education, we are using **FaithWeaver NOW**® Sunday school. FaithWeaver NOW makes Bible learning fun by using a variety of active experiences to help students learn in the ways they learn best.

FaithWeaver NOW also helps people of all ages "weave faith into life" by applying the Bible to their lives throughout every week. With FaithWeaver NOW, students walk through the Bible over the course of three years.

Research shows that the most powerful influence on children's faith development is the conversation about faith that takes place in the home. We want to partner with you in your child's Christian education.

With the resources that are part of FaithWeaver NOW, you can make a huge contribution to your child's Christian growth by leading activities and discussions that help make connections and apply what's learned at church to daily life. That's why every week your child will receive a take-home page that includes ideas for family discussions and activities that will help cement what your child learns at church.

All FaithWeaver NOW resources—for infants through adults—explore the same Bible passage each week, making it easier for you to help your family grow in faith together.

This quarter, we hope you'll find encouragement in your role as a parent and a spiritual leader to your child. May these tools serve to remind you how important you are in your child's life—and how blessed you are to be entrusted with this awesome responsibility!

God bless you,

Your FaithWeaver NOW Church



The FaithWeaver NOW Student Book is woven into every lesson to provide an essential transformative experience that makes the Bible unforgettable.

## **BONUS...every Student Book includes weekly take-home activities!**

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### This quarter you'll explore these Bible passages:

	BIBLE CONTENT/SCRIPTURE	KEY VERSE	BIBLE POINT
WEEK 1	Jesus Teaches About Good Fruit (Luke 6:43-45)	"In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).	Acting like Jesus shows we're Christians.
WEEK 2	Jesus Tells the Parable of the Lost Son (Luke 15:11-32)	"But you are a forgiving God, gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love" (Nehemiah 9:17).	God will forgive us when we sin.
WEEK 3	Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet (John 13:1-17)	"If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all" (Mark 9:35).	Jesus wants us to serve others.
WEEK 4	Jesus Is Tried and Crucified (Luke 19:28-40; 23:1-49)	"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).	Jesus died to take the punishment for our sins.
WEEK 5	Jesus Appears to Mary (John 20:1-18)	"That if you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9).	Jesus is alive.
WEEK 6	Apostles Defend Their Faith (Acts 5:12-42)	"Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance" (James 1:2-3).	Keep following God, even when it's hard.
WEEK 7	Saul Meets Jesus Near Damascus (Acts 9:1-20)	"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!" (2 Corinthians 5:17).	Jesus changes our lives.
WEEK 8	Peter Raises Tabitha From the Dead (Acts 9:36-43)	"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective" (James 5:16).	God answers when we pray.
WEEK 9	An Angel Frees Peter From Jail (Acts 12:1-18)	"For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways" (Psalm 91:11).	Angels protect and help God's people.
WEEK 10	Lydia Is Converted (Acts 16:9-15)	"Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season" (2 Timothy 4:2).	Be prepared to tell others about Jesus.
WEEK 11	Paul's Jailer Believes in Jesus (Acts 16:16-34)	"They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved'" (Acts 16:31).	Jesus saves us.
WEEK 12	Paul Describes Living by God's Spirit (Romans 8:9-17)	"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control" (Galatians 5:22-23).	When we live by God's Spirit, God changes us.
WEEK 13	Paul Describes Genuine Love (1 Corinthians 13:1-13)	"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs" (1 Corinthians 13:4-5).	God teaches us how to love.



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