How Grapple® works in the classroom:

Your preteens need more than the same old Bible lessons; they need Bible depth. Grapple is specifically designed to get preteens grappling with tough questions in meaningful ways so they understand and own their faith. Grapple gets kids into the Bible—like no other curriculum can.

GRAPPLE COMMUNITY

Kids enjoy snacks and friendship as they spend time getting to know each other. Have your kids choose the music to play during this time. Then play a countdown to transition to Grapple Games.

(5 minutes)

GRAPPLE GAMES

Kids choose the games they'll play together. Read the text aloud in the Grapple Games section, briefly describing each game. Then let kids vote, and play!

(10-15 minutes)

GRAPPLE TIME

This is the leader-led experience for your entire group. Grapple Time involves everyone in making discoveries; the experience gives kids the desire to dig into the Bible for answers.

(10 minutes)

GRAPPLE TEAM TIME

Kids get into their Grapple Teams of six or fewer to dig into the Bible with the reproducible Grapple Team Guide, available on the DVD.

(15 minutes)

GRAPPLE TEAM REPORTS

Teams vote on how they want to report what they discovered during Grapple Team Time. Once teams are ready to report, they get with other teams and take turns reporting what they learned.

(10 minutes)

GRAPPLE PRAYER AND DARE

Kids choose, as a group, which prayer option they would like to do. After the group closes in prayer, give preteens the weekly Grapple Dare to live out their faith during the coming week.

(5 minutes)

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Who Is Jesus?

QUESTION TOPIC
Because kids are grappling, topics come in the form of questions.

SUBTOPICS
There are 4 different topics under each larger topic.

What if Jesus Is a Liar?

ONE-POINT LEARNING
Lessons direct kids to a biblical point for each question.

Key Faith Foundation: Jesus Is Always Truthful

Key Scriptures: Numbers 23:19; Mark 10:32-34; John 8:12-18, 44; Acts 5:26-42

BIBLICAL FOUNDATION
Kids are directed to Scripture as they grapple with tough questions.

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THE BIBLE BASIS
gives teachers a deeper understaning of the Scripture for their own spiritual growth.

Bible basis for teachers

Numbers 23:19; Mark 10:32-34; John 8:12-18, 44; Acts 5:26-42

▶ **GRAPPLE QUESTION:** What if Jesus Is a Liar?

▶ **KEY FAITH FOUNDATION:** Jesus Is Always Truthful

Some people don't know Jesus very well today; they say Jesus is a liar. Have kids discuss how it feels to be lied to. Then use this lesson to help kids understand they'll never feel that way with Jesus because Jesus is always truthful and we can trust him.

In Mark 10:32-34, Jesus told the disciples what was about to come. Jesus explained to his friends that he was going to be betrayed, tortured, and killed but that he'd come back to life again. From anyone else, these claims would seem unbelievable. Even the disciples might have wondered if Jesus' words could be true. However, as we now know, Jesus predicted exactly what would happen. Use these verses to help kids see that Jesus has always been and will always be truthful, even when the truth is hard to hear.

Numbers 23:19 and John 8:44 both speak to the credibility of God and God's Word, and the fact that Satan is the father of lies. From the beginning, God has always told the truth. He's never broken a promise or gone back on his word. In contrast, Satan never tells the truth. Help kids see they can trust God's Word to lead them to the truth about who Jesus really is—God's Son sent to die for their sins.

Through John 8:12-18 Jesus reminds us that every word he speaks is true. Remind kids that when they seek God, he will answer them with truth. Acts 5:26-42 describes Peter and the apostles being questioned because they were teaching that Jesus died for the sins of all people. When the Pharisees threatened to put the disciples to death for teaching this, a wise man named Gamaliel stood up for the disciples. Gamaliel reminded the Pharisees that other people had made outrageous claims but their plans failed when they died because they had lied. Gamaliel said that a true message from God could not be stopped. Now, 2,000 years later, people are still teaching the truth that Jesus died for our sin. Encourage kids with this fact. Jesus told the truth when he claimed to be the Son of God.

understanding preteens

During the preteen years, as kids transition from childhood to teenage years, they start asserting a desire to believe things for themselves. Often, friends' opinions on issues begin to take precedence over what adults say. Kids need affirmation that what God and God's Word says are true as they develop their individual beliefs.

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the lesson at a glance

LESSON SEQUENCE		WHAT KIDS WILL DO	SUPPLIES
1	**grapple community** *(5 minutes)*	Build relationships.	• DVD player • snacks • Christian music CD • CD player
2	**grapple games** *(10-15 minutes)*	Choose two games to play.	• Christian music CD • CD player • classroom supplies
3	**grapple time** *(10 minutes)*	Watch clips on the *Grapple* DVD, and see something that no human eye has ever seen or human hand has ever touched before.	• DVD player • unshelled nut
4	**grapple team time** *(15 minutes)*	In small groups, find out if a court of law could convict Jesus of being a liar.	• Bibles • pencils • copy of the Grapple Team Guide for each person
5	**grapple team reports** *(10 minutes)*	Report what they learned from the Bible passage they studied.	• Bibles • poster board • markers
6	**grapple prayer** *(5 minutes)*	Choose a prayer option.	
7	**grapple dare**	Hear the Grapple dare.	

EASY PREP
5-10 minutes of prep a week—sometimes less!

THIS CHART
makes organizing the lesson and supplies easy!

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EASY-TO-READ LAYOUT
makes leading lessons simple.

GRAPPLE GAMES
Kids have a choice of games, giving them a say in what they do.

DVD CLIPS
are cool and current. They're also available online at group.com/grapplevideos.

GRAPPLING
Kids grapple with questions by interacting and finding answers in the Bible.

1 grapple community

Play Christian music as kids enjoy snacks and friendship. Give kids this discussion starter as they eat. Say: **Get with your Grapple Team and discover who has a birthday closest to today.**

2 grapple games

Say: **We're going to play a game, but you'll get to choose. Would you rather play Musical Mania** (p. 47), **where we'll make an inside circle and an outside circle, and the two circles will move in opposite directions? Or would you like to play Mystery Identity** (p. 47), **where one person goes outside while the rest of the group comes up with a new identity that the person has to guess?** Have kids vote on the game they'd like to play. Then lead kids in playing the game.

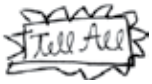
Say: **Now we'll play another game. Would you rather play Wheelbarrow Racing** (p. 47), **where you work with a partner to get through a classroom supply obstacle course? Or would you like to play Bodyguard** (p. 47), **which is a game of tag where bodyguards try to prevent fans from tagging the stars?** Have kids vote on the game they'd like to play. Then lead kids in playing the game.

3 grapple time

GET READY ▸ *Cue the* Grapple *DVD to the "Who Is Jesus?" clip, and hide an unshelled nut in your pocket.*

Lead the entire group in the following:

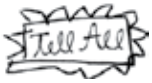
Who is Jesus? How would you answer that question?



What did you talk about?

Say: **In Matthew 16:15, Jesus asked his disciples, "But who do you say that I am?" Let's see how people on the street answer that question.**

Show the "Who Is Jesus?" clip on the *Grapple* DVD.



What types of things might indicate that Jesus is who the people in the video said he is?

Say: **People think Jesus is all kinds of things. In fact, some people say Jesus**

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is a liar. Some say he's a lunatic. Some say he's a loser. And some say he's Lord. Who *is* Jesus?

Let's try something. I have something in my pocket that no human eye has ever seen and no human hand has ever touched. How many of you believe me?

Why do you or don't you believe me?

ALLERGY ALERT (see page 44)

Shell the nut, and show the part inside that no human hand has touched and no human eye has ever seen!

Say: **It's a nut! And of course, I'm nuts about Jesus! Some of you believed me when I told you I had something that no one had ever seen or touched, because you trust me. You know me, and you know I'd never lie to you. Some of you didn't believe me…maybe because you don't know me that well. Maybe for other reasons.**

Some people don't know Jesus very well today. They say Jesus is a liar. Do you think a court of law could convict Jesus of being a liar? Let's grapple with that in God's Word today in our Grapple Team Time.

4 grapple team time

Break into Grapple Teams. Encourage Grapple Team leaders to check in with kids about their week. Grapple Team leaders will facilitate discussion, using the Grapple Team Guide on pages 45-46.

5 grapple team reports

At the end of Grapple Team Time, have kids work with their team to choose one of the options below to report what they discovered.

Option 1: *Wordless Poster*
Without using any words, create a poster that shows what you discovered.

Option 2: *Eye Witness Chant*
Create a cheer (words and actions) that shows what you discovered. If you want, use the "Liar, Liar, Pants on Fire" chant to get you started.

Match Grapple Teams that chose Option 1 with Grapple Teams that chose Option 2. Have teams present their reports. (*Do this one team at a time if you have only two Grapple Teams.*)

LEARN BY DOING
Kids see and do things to learn the main biblical truth.

REPORT
Kids report back to the large group to share in an interactive, fun way what they learned.

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INTERACTIVE PRAYER
Prayer options are age-appropriate and give kids a choice in how they want to pray.

6 grapple prayer

Read the Grapple Prayer options. Have the group choose one prayer option that everyone will do. Allow kids time to pray about what they discovered. Then close in prayer.

Option 1: *Posed Prayers*
Strike a pose that honors God, and keep it for a full minute while you honor God silently with your thoughts and thanks.

Option 2: *Popcorn Prayers*
Sit in a circle. Whenever you have a prayer of thanks or need, say it out loud.

7 grapple dare

Have a "Family Peace" fashion show. Encourage models to walk around the room showing off their new outfits.

APPLICATION
Kids are sent home with a dare to apply what they learned in the coming week.

Say: **Think about how you feel when someone lies to you. I promise you this: You will never feel that way in your relationship with Jesus because Jesus is not a liar. Jesus will never lie to you. Because Jesus is always truthful, we can trust him. Here's your Grapple Dare: I dare you to find one way that you'll trust Jesus this week!**

(Find the Parent Page for this lesson on the enhanced DVD. Have each child give a copy to his or her parent. Alternatively, send the file to parents via email.)

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STUDENT PAGES are reproducible.

grapple team guide

In your Grapple Team, use this guide to grapple with today's question.

Your job today is to figure out if a court of law could convict Jesus of being a liar. Gather your witnesses and grapple with their testimony!

Let's meet our witnesses who will help us see if Jesus is a liar or not.

Witness 1 Jesus Himself

What does it mean to you that Jesus said, "I tell you the truth" 68 times in the Gospels?

Read Mark 10:32-34.

How might it affect your faith if Jesus lied to his disciples?

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Witness 2 God

Read Numbers 23:19 and John 8:44.

Who's the biggest liar, according to these Scriptures?

How reliable is God as a witness to who Jesus is?

Read John 8:12-18.

What does Jesus' answer to the Pharisees tell us about Jesus?

Why do we need Jesus to be a truthful witness?

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STUDENT PAGES
facilitate meaningful discussion for small groups.

Witness 3 The Disciples and the Holy Spirit

Read Acts 5:26-42.

What's your reaction to these witnesses' statements about Jesus?

How does the boldness of Peter and the apostles help you be confident in the truth about Jesus?

Witness 4 You

Explain whether you think a court of law could convict Jesus of being a liar.

grapple team reports

With your team, choose one of the options below to report what you discovered.

Option 1: *Wordless Poster*
Without using any words, create a poster that shows what you discovered.

Option 2: *Eye Witness Chant*
Create a cheer (words and actions) that shows what you discovered. If you want, use the "Liar, Liar, Pants on Fire" chant to get you started.

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Grapple Games

ICE-BREAKER GAMES
remove barriers and get kids having fun.

musical mania

Have kids form two circles of equal numbers, with one circle inside the other. One circle walks clockwise and the other walks counterclockwise while you play music. When you stop the music, have kids turn to face the person opposite them and share their answers to each question you ask. If you have an uneven number of kids, the one without a partner should share answers with you. When they've finished sharing, start the music again.

Here are some sample questions:

- What's your biggest pet peeve?
- What's your favorite movie?
- What's your favorite color?
- How many brothers and sisters do you have?
- What's your favorite Bible verse?

mystery identity

Ask one volunteer to leave the room for a few minutes. Explain to the rest of the class that they will choose the volunteer's new identity. For example, they may decide that the volunteer is a certain celebrity or a type of service worker such as a firefighter.

Ask the volunteer to return to the room and try to guess the new identity the group has chosen. The volunteer will do this by asking group members, one at time, specific questions about the new identity. The group members will then act out the answer to help the volunteer guess.

bodyguard

Have kids form groups of three. Each group will choose one player to be the Star. The other two players will be the Bodyguards. Choose one group to go first, and have that group move to one end of your playing area. While one group is "performing," everyone else will be a Fan and go to the other end of the room. Explain that the object of the game is for the Fans to tag the Star without being tagged by the Bodyguards.

The Star and Bodyguards will try to travel from one end of the room to the other without being tagged. If a Bodyguard tags a Fan, the Fan is out of the game and sits down. If a Fan tags the Star, they change places—including Bodyguards—and play begins again.

wheelbarrow racing

Set up an obstacle course using classroom supplies. Have kids get in groups of three. Each group will choose a volunteer to be the Wheelbarrow while the other two group members each hold one of the volunteer's legs. Kids will go through the obstacle course once and then trade places with other kids in their group.

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PARENTS are given a synopsis of what their kids learned.

AN EXPLANATION for the topic helps parents know how to dig deeper with their kids during the week.

Grapple Parent Page

Grapple Question:

What if Jesus Is a Liar?

Kids Learn:

Jesus Is Always Truthful

Dig Into the Bible:

Numbers 23:19; Mark 10:32-34; John 8:12-18, 44; Acts 5:26-42

This week, your preteen will grapple with "What if Jesus is a liar?"

Although this question may seem irreverent, a lot of kids are wondering about it. If they're afraid to ask, they'll never get help digging into the Bible to find the answer. What's worse, if they truly believe Jesus is a liar, their faith is at risk. We want to encourage kids to ask the tough questions so they get the answers they need to develop their faith. And we want you to be involved. Dig into the Bible alongside your preteen to answer the tough questions. Remember: It's OK to admit you don't have all the answers.

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Fall—Volume 1

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: Why Can't We All Just Get Along?	Why Do My Parents Always Say No?	God's Direction to Parents: Boundaries = Love	Exodus 20:1-17; Ephesians 6:1-4
	Why Can't We All Just Get Along?	God's Plan for Handling Family Conflict	Genesis 4:1-12; Colossians 3:12-15
	Why Can't I Be an Only Child?	God's Plan for Loving Our Siblings	Matthew 10:16-22; 1 Corinthians 13:4-7
	Why Do I Have to Sit in the Back Seat?	God's Call to Sacrifice for Our Siblings	Luke 6:37-38; John 15:12-13
Faith Questions: Who Is Jesus?	What if Jesus Is a Liar?	Jesus Is Always Truthful	Numbers 23:19; Mark 10:32-34
	What if Jesus Is a Lunatic?	Jesus' Style of Religion	Hosea 6:6; Matthew 9:9-13
	What if Jesus Is a Loser?	Jesus Is the Biggest Winner	John 16:28-33; Colossians 2:13-15
	What if Jesus Is Lord?	Jesus Is God	Psalm 110; Acts 2:34-36
Choices: Kids Just Wanna Have Fun	Why Can't I Go to PG-13 Movies?	God's Guidelines for Making Good Movie Choices	Romans 12:2; Philippians 4:8
	What Would Jesus Play on His iPod?	God's Guidelines for Making Good Music Choices	1 Corinthians 6:12; 10:23; Philippians 4:8
	Is God a Party Pooper?	God Encourages Celebration (Fun!)	Psalms 16:8-11; 21:1-6; Romans 13:13
	Can Being a Christian Ever Be Fun?	Friendship With Jesus Is Fun	John 10:10; 15:15; Philippians 3:4-9

Winter—Volume 2

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: Best Friends Forever	Why Do Some People Have More Friends?	What Makes a Real Friend	1 Samuel 18:1-4; 19:1-7; Proverbs 18:24
	Am I Only Supposed to Be Friends With Christians?	Influencing Non-Christians	Mark 2:15-17; 2 Corinthians 5:18-20
	Do I Have to Like Everybody?	God's Command to Love Everyone	John 13:34-35; Romans 12:9-21
	Why Are My Friends So Mean Sometimes?	Forgiving Friends Who Hurt Us	Proverbs 18:1,19; Colossians 3:13
Faith Questions: Bible—Fact or Fiction	Did God Really Write the Bible?	All Scripture Is Inspired by God	2 Timothy 3:14-17; 2 Peter 1:19-21
	How Do I Know if the Bible Is True?	The Bible Is Alive and Powerful	Matthew 4:1-11; Hebrews 4:12-13
	How Is the Bible Different From Other Books?	The Bible Is a Message From God	Psalm 19:7-11; John 20:30-31
	Why Should the Bible Matter to Me?	The Bible Is a Map to Guide Your Life	Psalm 119:33-40, 65-68, 97-105
Choices: What's the Point?	Why Did God Create Me?	Friendship With God	Romans 5:8-11
	How Come I'm Not Perfect?	Self-Acceptance and God's Unconditional Love	Psalm 139:13-16; Romans 8:35-39
	Why Didn't God Make Us Like Robots?	Love Without Choice Isn't Love at All	Genesis 2:8-17; 3:1-6; 1 Corinthians 9:16-17
	What Does God Want From Me?	God's Purpose for My Life	Micah 6:6-8; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Spring—Volume 3

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: Who's the Boss of Me?	Why Do So Many People Boss Me Around?	God Puts People in Charge	Romans 13:1-5; 1 Peter 2:13-17
	When Do I Get to Be the Boss?	Serving Leads to Leadership	1 Samuel 17:32-37; 18:5-9; Luke 22:24-27
	What About When My Parents Are Unfair?	Honoring Authority	John 12:49; 1 Corinthians 13:11-12
	What if My Parent Asks Me to Do Something Wrong?	God's Law Is Above Man's Law	Daniel 3:8-30; Acts 5:25-29
Faith Questions: Salvation—The Great Escape	Why Doesn't Everyone Go to Heaven?	Sin Separates Us From God	Isaiah 59:1-2; Matthew 7:13-14
	Why Isn't "Being Good" Good Enough?	Good Works Are Not Enough	Isaiah 64:6; Romans 3:21-28
	Why Did Jesus Have to Die?	The Sacrificial System for Forgiveness	Leviticus 1:1-4; Romans 3:23; 6:23
	Why Doesn't Everyone Just Believe in Jesus?	The Need to Accept Christ's Gift	John 1:6-13; Romans 10:9-13
Choices: Hide 'n' Seek	Is It Okay if I Don't Get Caught?	Integrity–Who I Am When No One's Looking	Acts 5:1-11; 1 Timothy 1:18-19
	Is It Okay if Nobody Gets Hurt?	Sin Hurts Me; It Hurts You; It Hurts God	Galatians 6:7-10
	Is It Okay if I Was Trying to Help?	Motives: God Looks at the Heart	Jeremiah 17:10; Philippians 1:12-18
	Is It Okay if My Friends' Parents Say It's OK?	Honoring My Parents	Proverbs 13:1; Mark 7:10-13

Summer—Volume 4

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: Big, Big God	How Can Such a Big God Be a Best Friend to Me?	God Knows and Cares About You	Psalm 8:3-4; 37:23-24; Isaiah 49:1
	Will God Make Me a "Jesus Freak"?	Conforming to the Image of Christ	Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 11:1
	What About When God Feels Far Away?	Relying on Faith Rather Than Feelings	Psalms 9:10; 42:6-11; Matthew 27:45-50
	Do I Have to Tell Others About My Friend God?	Sharing My Faith With Others	Matthew 5:15-16; 10:32-33; 28:19-20; 1 Peter 3:15
Faith Questions: What Next?	Will the End Really Come?	Preparing for the Last Days	Acts 2:17-21; 2 Timothy 3:1-5
	Will I Be Okay When the World Ends?	Trusting God	Matthew 24:3-14, 26-31; John 14:1-4
	What's So Great About Heaven?	Spending Eternity With God	Colossians 3:1-2; Revelation 21:1–22:6
	What's So Bad About Hell?	Being Separated From God	Luke 16:19-31; Romans 2:5-9
Choices: Forgiveness—a Second Chance	How Many Second Chances Do I Give?	Seventy Times Seven Forgiveness	Matthew 18:21-35; Luke 17:3-4
	What if Someone Doesn't Ask for Forgiveness?	Forgiving Others as God Forgives Us	Matthew 6:14-15; Luke 6:27-31
	What if Someone Won't Forgive Me?	Obedience and Being Responsible for Your Actions	Proverbs 14:9; James 5:16
	Do We Have to Be Friends Again?	Forgiveness Doesn't Always Mean Restoration	Proverbs 17:9; 22:24; 1 Corinthians 10:31

Fall—Volume 5

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: You're Not My Friend	What if Someone's Different From Me?	Accepting Others	Genesis 1:26-27; Romans 15:5-7
	What if Someone Hates Me?	Loving Your Enemies	Proverbs 24:17-18; 25:21; Matthew 5:43-47
	What if Someone's Weird?	Learning Not to Judge Others	Matthew 7:1-5; John 4:7-10
	What if Someone Needs Something From Me?	Helping Others	Luke 10:25-37; Romans 15:1-3
Faith Questions: Who Is God?	Where Did God Come From?	God Is Eternal	Genesis 1:1-2; John 1:1-4
	How Can God Be Everywhere?	God Is Always With Us	Jonah 1:1-4; 2:1-6; Matthew 28:18-20
	Why Does God Let Bad Things Happen?	God Is in Control	Isaiah 43:1-5; Matthew 11:1-6; 14:1-11
	Is There Anything God Can't Do?	God Is Holy	Jeremiah 32:17, 26-27; Luke 1:26-38
Choices: What Do I Do When the Pressure's On?	What if I'm the Only One Saying No?	Standing for My Faith	Daniel 6:1-28; Matthew 12:22-30
	What if Saying Yes Makes Me Popular?	Not Compromising My Values	Judges 16:4-21; Psalms 37:1-11; 119:1-3
	Would Jesus Fit in With My Friends?	Making God-Honoring Choices	Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15:33-34
	What if Being a Christian Makes Me Unpopular?	Accepting My Faith	Proverbs 29:25; Matthew 10:32-33

Winter—Volume 6

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: Why in the World?	What Difference Can I Make?	Serving Others	Mark 10:42-45; Luke 10:38-42
	Why Can't Countries Get Along?	Pursuing Peace	Genesis 26:12-22; James 4:1-3
	Why Isn't There Enough to Go Around?	Sharing With Others	2 Samuel 12:1-9; Acts 4:32-37
	Is Our Environment *Really* Falling Apart?	Responsibility for Creation	Psalm 115:15-16; Romans 8:19-22
Faith Questions: Is Prayer Pointless?	What Takes God So Long?	Being Patient in Prayer	Proverbs 1:28-31; Daniel 10:10-13
	Do My Prayers Bore God?	Persisting in Prayer	Luke 18:1-7; Ephesians 6:18-20
	What if I Pray Really Hard, and God Says No?	Accepting God's Answers	Proverbs 15:29; Mark 14:32-36
	What's the Right Way to Pray?	Practicing Prayer	Matthew 6:5-13
Choices: Choices, Choices	Who Should I Listen To?	Finding Good Counsel	1 Kings 12:1-15; Psalm 37:30-31
	How Do I Know God's Voice?	Learning to Hear God	Judges 6:33-40; James 1:5-7; 3:17
	What if It Doesn't *Feel* Wrong?	Practicing Discernment	Romans 14:20-23; Galatians 5:16-17
	What if I Mess Up?	Recovering From Bad Choices	Numbers 15:22-31; Luke 22:55-62

Spring—Volume 7

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: Boy Meets Girl	Are We Really That Different?	Uncommon Commonalities	Genesis 1:26-27; 2:18-24; Galatians 3:26-28
	Why Can't We Just Be Friends?	Respect: Friendship First	Ruth 2; 1 Corinthians 13:4-7
	What's Really Okay?	Appropriate Boundaries	Psalms 86:11; 119:9-16; Romans 13:12-14
	What Was God Thinking?	God's Plan for Male-Female Relationships	Psalms 36:5-9; 136:1-3; Ephesians 5:1-2, 21-33
Faith Questions: What's the Big Deal About Sin?	Am I Really a Sinner?	All Have Sinned	Romans 3:10-13, 23; 5:6-11; 6:1-4; Hebrews 4:14-16
	Is It Really Sin if You Don't Know It Is?	The Holy Spirit Guides Us	Proverbs 24:12; John 15:22-24; 16:5-15
	Can I Do Something So Bad It'll Keep Me Out of Heaven?	The Unpardonable Sin	John 5:24; 10:27-30; Hebrews 10:26-31
	If I'm Forgiven, What's the Big Deal About Sin?	Confessing Sin and Pursuing God	Isaiah 59:1-2; Romans 6:12-15
Choices: What Really Matters?	Is Being Liked What Matters?	Focusing on God's Opinion	Psalm 139:17-18; Matthew 10:29-32
	Is Being Right What Matters?	Being Kind	Jonah 3–4; Galatians 5:22-23
	Is Being the Best What Matters?	Being Faithful	1 Samuel 16:1-13; Philippians 3:12-14
	Is Being Happy What Matters?	Being Content	2 Corinthians 6:4-10; Philippians 4:11-14

Summer—Volume 8

Title	Grappling Question	Key Faith Foundation	Scriptures Include
Relationships: Why Can't I Sleep In?	Why Do I Have to Go?	Encountering God in Community	Colossians 1:18-20; Hebrews 10:23-25
	Why Are There *So* Many Churches?	The Church Is the Body of Christ	John 17:20-23; Romans 16:16-17
	What Am I Supposed to Do at Church?	The Purpose of Church	Matthew 22:37-40; 28:18-20; Acts 2:42-47
	Why Is Church So Long?	Church Practices	Psalm 100:1-3; Luke 22:19-20
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