

I LOVE MY BIBLE!

Review Questions

General

- **The Bible was originally written in what languages?** (*Old Testament: mainly Hebrew; New Testament: Greek*)
- **Why must translators always be very careful and prayerful as they translate the Bible into other languages?** (*because they must not change the meaning of the original text; God's Word must not be added to or subtracted from*)
- **What was the Bible originally written on?** (*stone tablets [e.g., the 10 Commandments], animal skin parchments, scrolls, etc.*)
- **Aren't you glad you don't have to haul around a Bible made of stone?! What does your Bible look like?** (*printed on paper, on your phone, on your computer, etc.*)
- **What are some synonyms for God's Word (for example, "commandments")?** (*laws, statutes, testimonies, judgments, precepts*)
- **In previous lessons we have compared God's Word to what?** (*a sword, light, honey, road signs, etc.*)

Lesson 1 - SWORD

- **What is a sword used for?** (*battle, protection, etc.*)
- **Whom did Jesus defeat by quoting Scripture?** (*the devil*)
- **How can you become an expert at using your Bible?** (*learn where and how to find things in your Bible; read your Bible; study your Bible; memorize Bible verses so you will always have God's Word—your sword—with you; listen when the Word is taught and preached; don't just listen—DO—what the Bible says*)

Lesson 2 - LIGHT

- **What natural (not manmade) lights do we have in our world?** (*the sun, moon, and stars—created by God, the source of all light*)
- **Why do we need light? How does it help us?** (*to see, as our eyes don't work well in the dark [flashlights, spotlights]; to guide us [headlights]; to make things more beautiful [track lighting on artwork, light shining through stained glass, etc.]; plants need light to grow [and we need plants]; light also adds warmth [especially the sun!]; etc.*)
- **How is the Bible—God's Word—like light?** (*it helps us see the truth; it guides us; it makes things clearer and more beautiful; it helps us grow; etc.*)

Lesson 3 - HONEY

- **What is honey used for and what are some of its benefits?** (*natural sweetener, boosts energy, soothes sore throats, used in beauty products, home remedy for many things from cuts to athlete's foot, lasts a long time [doesn't spoil], etc.*)
- **How is the Bible (God's Word) like honey?** (*it adds sweetness to our thoughts, gives us a spiritual boost, soothes and smooths our words, helps us act more beautifully, contains the remedy for sin and its problems, lasts forever, etc.*)

Lesson 4 - FIRE

- **What are some ways fire is helpful?** (*it gives us light, helps us celebrate, keeps us warm, looks beautiful when contained [as in a fireplace], burns away old growth to make room for new, cooks our food, is a unifying symbol [as in the Olympic Torch], helps us make useful things from metal, etc.*)
- **What are some ways fire is NOT helpful?** (*it can spread quickly and burn down entire forests and fields and destroy all kinds of things, including homes and lives*)
- **How is God's Word like fire?** (*it brings light into our lives [shows us what is right and wrong], warms our hearts [brings joy], adds beauty [beautiful things to think on and to live], can bring comfort but can also make us feel uncomfortable when we have sin in our lives, gets rid of the bad things in our lives so that new good things can grow; God's Word can spread quickly when we share it with others!*)
- **Which prophet said God's Word was "like a burning fire shut up in my bones"?** (*Jeremiah*)

Lesson 5 - ROAD SIGNS

- **Why do we have road signs (what is their purpose)?** (*for our SAFETY, to keep ORDER and eliminate confusion [share the road fairly with others], to give DIRECTION [where you are, where you need to go, how far you have to go to reach your destination, etc.]*)
- **What are some road signs in the Bible?** (*Some examples follow.*)
 - STOP: "...cease to do evil" (Isaiah 1:16)*
 - YIELD: "...yield yourselves unto God..." (Romans 6:13-18)*
 - DO NOT ENTER: "Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men." (Proverbs 4:14)*
 - ONE WAY: "And they shall be my people, and I will be their God: And I will give them one heart, and one way..." (Jeremiah 32:38-39)*
 - RED TRAFFIC LIGHT: "Cease from anger, and forsake wrath..." (Psalm 37:8)*
 - YELLOW TRAFFIC LIGHT: "Be still, and know that I am God..." (Psalm 46:10)*
 - GREEN TRAFFIC LIGHT: "...Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15)*
- **Can road signs help us if we ignore them?** (*no*)

Lesson 6 - MAP

- **Why do we need maps?** *(to figure out how to get where we want to go, to keep from getting lost, to help us get back on track after we get lost, etc.)*
- **How is the Bible like a map?** *(Suggested answers follow.)*
 - God's Word shows us that there are two destinations: "death" and "eternal life." ("For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23)
 - God's Word shows us where we are: sin has separated us from God. ("For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" Romans 3:23)
 - God's Word shows us the way God made for us to get to our desired destination: eternal life—Heaven. ("But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8; "Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Acts 2:37-38)

Lesson 7 - BREAD

- **How often do you eat a bread product?** *(most likely every day)*
- **What does bread do for our bodies?** *(it satisfies our hunger, gives us energy, helps keep us alive, etc.)*
- **How is God's Word like bread?** *(it satisfies our spiritual hunger [the inside part of us that longs for God], it gives us spiritual strength and life, etc.)*
- **How often should we read and/or listen to God's Word?** *(every day, just as we eat bread daily; if you go too long without God's Word, you will become a weak Christian and your faith will eventually die.)*

Lesson 8 - MEASURE

- **What's the problem with measuring things with your fingers, palms, arms, and feet?** *(people's fingers, palms, arms, and feet come in all different sizes)*
- **What do governments do to try to make measurements fair for buyers and sellers?** *(they set up official standard measurements for inches, centimeters, feet, miles, ounces, pounds, cups, gallons, liters, etc.)*
- **God has set up true and fair standard measurements for our behavior. What are some standard measures or rules in God's Word?**
 - The Ten Commandments *(have students name some; use display board to remind)*
 - The Greatest Commandments *(1. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. 2. Love your neighbor as yourself. Matthew 22:37-39, paraphrased)*
 - The Golden Rule *("Do to others as you want them to do to you." Luke 6:31 NIV)*
- **You should never measure your behavior by *other people* or by what you *think* you should do or by what you *feel* is right. (That's like using fingers, palms, arms, and feet to measure things.) You should measure your behavior, your life, by what? *(God's Word)***

Lesson 9 - CLEANSER

- **Why is it important for things (and people) to be clean?** *(to prevent the spread of germs and disease [sickness], so things will look nice, so things will smell good, because it feels better [no one really wants to eat off a dirty plate or sleep on filthy sheets], to take proper care of the things God has given us, etc.)*
- **It's important for our bodies to be clean, but why is it even more important for our hearts and minds to be clean.** *(God is holy [clean, pure]; we can't stay near Him with dirty hearts and minds; there will be nothing unclean in Heaven)*
- **What kind of cleanser can clean our hearts and minds?**
 - Jesus' blood: Ask someone to quote 1 John 1:7.
 - Jesus' word: "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you." (John 15:3)
- **Fill in the blank: To keep our hearts clean, we must _____ our sins.** *(confess)*
- **Fill in the blanks: To keep our minds clean, we must regularly (daily) read, listen to, think about, and obey _____ .** *(God's Word)*
 - **Philippians 4:8 has a list of adjectives describing things we should think on: "whatsoever things are..." what?** *(true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtuous, praiseworthy)*

Lesson 10 - TREASURE

- **Where did pirates get their treasure?** *(they took it from other people)*
- **What can happen to earthly treasures?** *(moths and rust can destroy them, thieves [pirates] can steal them)*
- **Where does Jesus tell us to store our treasures?** *(in heaven; we should value the things that will last beyond this life)*
- **How is God's Word a treasure?** *(it's precious, valuable; it's a gift from God; there's no other book like it; it's all the things we've talked about this quarter: a sword, light, honey, fire, road signs, a map, our measure, a cleanser; etc.)*
- **What did the man do when he found the treasure in the field?** *(hid the treasure, sold everything he had, and bought the field; the treasure was more valuable to him than everything else he owned)*

Lesson 11 - MIRROR

- **Besides using a mirror to see how we look, what else are mirrors used for?** *(rearview mirrors help us see behind our car; rounded [convex] mirrors help us see around corners and are used in places such as parking garages, hospitals, and restaurant kitchens so that people don't crash into each other; dentists use little round mouth mirrors to help them see inside our [small, dark] mouths; mirrors are also used in cameras, lasers, telescopes, and other scientific instruments; they can also be used to add light and beauty to a room)*

- **How is God's Word like a mirror?**
 - *It shows us what we really look like inside (are we full of truth/lies, humility/pride, joy/sorrow, love/hate, jealousy, faith/doubt, etc.?).*
 - *It helps us see into even the small, dark places in our hearts (like a dental mirror).*
 - *If something is messed up in our lives, it shows us how to fix it.*
 - *It helps us see dangers around us (like rearview and convex mirrors).*
 - *It improves our lives with powerful truths (as mirrors improve things such as cameras, lasers, telescopes, etc.).*
 - *It adds light and beauty to our lives*
- **James says if we hear what God's Word says but don't do it, we're like a man who looks in a mirror and notices that his face is dirty and his hair messed up, but instead of washing his face and combing his hair, he just does what? (goes away from the mirror so he won't have to see how bad he looks)**
- **If we want to look good on the inside, we should not only hear God's Word, but what? (obey it)**

Lesson 12 - MILK & MEAT

- **Why do babies drink so much milk?** *(it's their only source of nutrition [food]; it's the only thing they can digest)*
- **Peter said we should desire (really, really want) God's Word just like a baby wants what?** *(milk)*
- **Can a baby eat meat?** *(no) Why not?* *(a baby doesn't have teeth; a baby's digestive system is not mature enough to digest meat)*
- **What does meat do for our bodies?** *(it helps us grow; it's a great source of protein, which builds muscles and other tissues throughout our bodies)*
- **If you stayed like a baby your whole life and never developed teeth or a mature digestive system, would you ever be able to eat a hamburger, pizza, chicken strips, steak, etc.?** *(no)*
- **Can a baby take care of someone?** *(no; he needs to be taken care of himself)*
- **How can you grow from a baby Christian and get past the milk stage (simple truths) and on to the meat stage (even more amazing truths that you can teach to others)?** *(read and study your Bible regularly; listen when God's Word is taught and preached)*

Lesson 13 - SEED

- **What is a parable?** *(a story that illustrates truth by comparing earthly [natural] things to heavenly [spiritual] things)*
- **What is a sower?** *(a planter, a farmer, a gardener)*
- **In the Parable of the Sower, what does the seed stand for?** *(God's Word)*

- **The ground of the wayside is very hard, so when the sower scatters the seed, it does not sink in. What does the wayside represent?** *(a hard-hearted person who does not listen to God's Word)*
- **What do the birds who eat (take away) the seed represent?** *(Satan)*
- **The stony ground doesn't have enough dirt to support a plant. What does the stony ground represent?** *(a person who hears God's Word gladly but doesn't do what it says [doesn't put down roots])*
- **The sun scorches and withers the plant on the stony ground. What does the sun represent?** *(persecution, temptation, things going wrong, etc.)*
- **What does the thorny ground represent?** *(a person who hears God's Word and begins to obey it but then gets busy and distracted by other things)*
- **What does the good ground represent?** *(a person who hears and receives [obeys] God's Word continually)*
- **How can we make sure we are GOOD ground that God's Word (the seed) will grow in?** *(read God's Word, listen when God's Word is taught and preached, obey God's Word, pray [prayer helps "soften our hearts" and get out the "stones"—the things that keep God's Word from growing in us])*