

Bible study and discussion for all ages

Bible Discussion Notes

SERIES 1: BIBLE TRANSFORMERS

Complete set of discussion notes, activities and games for the first series of Bible Podlets



Bible Discussion Notes INTRODUCTION

Thank you for downloading this booklet of discussion notes that accompanies the podcast, Bible Podlets.

Inside you will find the themes covered, Bible references, the aim of each episode, some of the activities and games that we played and all 5 questions asked in each of our Bible Podlets.

Although Bible Podlets are designed for use at home, this booklet can help children's group leaders to use the podcasts in a 'Sunday School' setting at church and bring a unique format to your children's group sessions.

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A MAN CALLED LEGION

Series: Bible Transformers

Passage: Luke 8:26-39

THEMES



Aim

To understand we don't need to know everything in order to share the Gospel with others



The Word Association Game 'Made Up' Facts about Pigs

Questions

How was the mans life changed by what Jesus did for him?

Why do you think the villagers were afraid of Jesus?

Why would the man choose to leave and follow Jesus when he had been given the gift of being able to return to his family, friends and community?

How might the man have felt when Jesus asked him to stay behind?

Have you met Jesus? Do you feel you can share with others what Jesus has done for you?



Bible Discussion NotesSTAYING AT SHORT NOTICE

Series: Bible Transformers

Passage: Luke 19:1-10

THEMES
Wealth/Possessions,
Repentance, Grace



Aim

To understand if we come to Jesus and repent, He will accept us no matter what we've done in the past

Activities

Precious possessions chat Higher/Lower Game

Questions

What do you think of Zacchaeus and his job?

Zacchaeus was looking for Jesus, what do you think he hoped would happen?

What were the differences between Jesus' and the crowd's reaction to Zacchaeus?

Why did Zacchaeus pay back more than was expected of him?

How can you show you are truly sorry for the things you do wrong?



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Higher/Lower Game

A broken laser pointer (£11) - First item sold on Ebay

A suit of armour for a guinea pig \uparrow (£881)

Justin Biebers Hair Clippings ↑ (£31,172.02)

A Dorito shaped like the Pope's hat ↓ (£926)

A 2009 Red Kia Picanto – 83,500 miles ↓ (£650)

A black iPhone 11 – 128GB ↑ (£779)

A grilled cheese sandwich ↑ (£21,462)

A large sculpture of an orange balloon dog ↑ (£36.8m)

Napoleon's Sword ↓ (£3.26m)

An autographed air guitar ↓ (£11.50)

100 empty kitchen roll tubes ↑ (£15)

Uneaten Brussel Sprouts ↑ (£99.99)

Lego Hogwarts Castle ↑ (£350)

Oral B Genius Electric Toothbrush ↓ (£299.99)



Bible Discussion NotesSEEING THE DIFFERENCE

Series: Bible Transformers Passage: Acts 8:1-3 & 9:1-31

THEMES
God's Grace, Healing,
God's call



To understand that when we are transformed by Jesus, our attitudes and opinions change

Activities

Family Fortunes
Guess the Sound

Questions

What did Paul think of Christians before?

What would you think if you were one of Pauls companions on the road?

If you were Ananias how would you feel about following God's instruction to see Paul?

What would the impact of Paul's transformation have on other people? (Apostles, Ananias, companions, Pharisees, wider community)

What would your response be if someone you know was completely transformed by Jesus?





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Grace, Healing, Calling



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Family Fortunes

Who is the most reliable person to ask for directions?
Petrol station employee (4), friend/family member (2), stranger/pedestrian (3), an app (1)

What is the most important thing you shouldn't waste? Food (3), water (2), money (4), time (1)



#WELLGATE

Series: Bible Transformers

Passage: John 4:1-42

THEMES
Gospel is for everyone, Calling,
Eternal Life, Overcoming
Prejudices

Aim

To understand that the Gospel of Jesus is for everyone



Activities

Would you rather...?
I went to the kitchen game

Questions

Why would the woman make sure she went to the well alone?

Why was it strange that Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink?

What did Jesus mean by saying He could give her Living Water?

The woman was changed by Jesus, how did that affect her community?

Why did Jesus go to Samaria when the Jewish people would've avoided it?



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Would You Rather...

...live in a theme park or a zoo?

...have no chocolate at Easter or no turkey at Christmas?

...be completely bald or be completely covered with hair?

...be only able to whisper or have a permanently loud voice?

...be constantly itchy or constantly sticky?

...have a snowball fight or a water balloon fight?

...eat only pizza for 1 year or eat no pizza for 1 year?

...have a purple nose or green ears?

...moo like a cow after every sentence or bark like a dog?

...give up your computer/phone/tablet or give up your pet?

...give up showering/washing for a month or give up using the internet?

...be the funniest person in the room or the most intelligent?

...own and elephant-sized mouse or a mouse-sized elephant?

...always have to dress up or always have to wear pyjamas?



WAS THE SON OF A FISHERMAN

Series: Bible Transformers

Passage: Matthew 4:18-22, 26:31-35

& 69-75, Acts 2:1-41

THEMES

Holy Spirit, Forgiveness, Grace



To understand the Holy Spirit is a gift that helps us live in a way that's pleasing to God

Activities

Guess the language Letter Forgetter

Questions

How would you feel if you were asked to leave everything behind to follow someone?

Why do you think Peter denied knowing Jesus?

How do you think Peter felt after he denied Jesus 3 times?

How were Peter and the disciples comforted when Jesus came back?

What gave Peter the confidence to talk to the crowd?





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Letter Forgetter

You have to forget the letter P

- Name an instrument used for drawing or writing.
- A person who attacks and robs ships at sea.
- Name the capital city of France.
- What is the chess piece which has the lowest value?
- The name for the person who lives in Rome who is the leader of the worldwide Catholic Church.
- Name a green vegetable that comes out of a pod.
- Name a popular Italian food which is made using a round flat dough base with toppings including cheese and tomato.
- Name a black and white flightless bird which commonly live in icy conditions.
- What is the image that is captured by a camera called?
- What is the inner surface of your hand between your fingers and your wrist called?



WALK THIS WAY

Series: Bible Transformers

Passage: Acts 3:1-11

THEMES

Learning to live differently, Healing,

Compassion, Charity, Faith



To understand we live differently after we accept Jesus and ask Him to walk alongside us



Learning something new in 2 mins Historical Journeys true or false

Questions

What do you think the man's life was like and how do you think he felt about it?

How do you think the man felt after asking for money, but getting something else?

How could Peter be sure that when he helped the man up, he would be healed?

If you saw the man get healed right in front of you, what would you think?

What could you give to someone that you see is in need?





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Historical Journeys True or False

Amelia Earhart

In 1937 she attempted to fly around the world but went missing over the Pacific ocean. False - she went missing over the Atlantic ocean

Captain Cook

In 1768 he explored the Pacific ocean which europeans called at the time, 'the great south sea'. True

Gertrude Bell

She travelled in the middle east finding treasure and most of what she found is now found in British museums. False - she gave it to the Baghdad Archaeological Museum.

Mary Kingsley

When she was exploring west Africa for new animals, she fell into a spike pit but was saved because of her thick skirt. True



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Passage: John 3:1-21, 19:38-42

THEMES
Being Born Again, Faith,
Kingdom of God



To understand what being born again is



Animal Babies Quiz 20 Questions

Questions

Who was Nicodemus and why was he important?

Why did Nicodemus go to Jesus at night-time?

What did Jesus mean by saying someone had to be born again?

How do you think Nicodemus was transformed when he heard what Jesus said?

What's the difference between being religious and having faith?





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Animal Babies Quiz

Lamb - Sheep

Calf - Cow

Kid - Goat

Fawn - Deer

Puffling - Puffin

Seafoal - Seahorse

Puggle - Platypus

Polliwog - Frog

Shoat - Pig

Leveret - Hare

Cria - Llama

Poult - Turkey



PERFECT TIMING

Series: Bible Transformers

Passage: Mark 5:21-43

THEMES
Healing, Patience, Prayer, Faith,
God's Timing



To understand that God's timing is perfect



Distractions Game Guess the Phobia

Questions

Who was Jairus and why did he ask Jesus for help?

What stopped Jesus on His way to Jairus' house?

What would Jairus be feeling when Jesus stopped to help someone else?

What news did Jairus and Jesus get and how would Jairus have felt about it?

What did the people do when they heard what Jesus said?





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Guess the Phobia

Claustrophobia – fear of small spaces Aquaphobia – fear of water Ophidiophobia – fear of snakes Globophobia – fear of balloons Trypanophobia – fear of needles Phobophobia – fear of fear Podophobia – fear of feet Pyrophobia – fear of sharks Sidonglophobia – fear of cotton balls Agliophobia – fear of pain
Technophobia – fear of technology
Photophobia – fear of light
Coasterphobia – fear of rollercoasters
Ergophobia – fear of work
Disposophobia – fear of getting rid of stuff
Didaskaleinophobia – fear of school
Spheksophobia – fear of wasps
Pogonophobia – fear of beards
Telephonophobia – fear of talking on the
phone

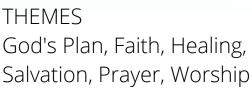




JAIL CELL ROCK

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Passage: Acts 16:16-40



Aim

To understand that God can bring good out of bad situations

Activities

Geography Trivia Little Timmy

Questions

What did Paul and Silas do in Phillipi and why were they thrown in jail?

What were Paul and Silas doing when the earthquake happened?

What would the jailer feel when he though the prisoners had escaped?

Why did Paul and Silas choose not to escape?

How did God turn a bad situation for Paul, Silas and the jailer into a good one?



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THEMES
God's Plan, Faith, Healing,
Salvation, Prayer, Worship



To understand that God can bring good out of bad situations



Geography Trivia Little Timmy

Little Timmy Scenarios

"Little Timmy thought it was a good idea to..."

...tickle a tarantula.

...put a sweaty sock in the toaster.

...chase a parked car.

...eat yellow snow.

...do cartwheels wearing nothing but a towel.

...clean the toilet with his toothbrush.

...share an ice cream with his dog.

...hold a bunch of flowers next to a bee hive.

...pour hot water into a chocolate teapot.

...do a skydive on bonfire night.

...have a BBQ in December.

...visit a dog day-care centre with a pocket full of sausages.





THE ULTIMATE TRANSFORMER

Series: Bible Transformers Passage: Matthew 17:1-13,

Luke 24:1-53

THEMES
Salvation, Faith, Doubt, Holiness,
Kingdom of God



To understand that Jesus transforms us through salvation.



What is your ultimate...? 2 Truth's and 1 Lie

Questions

How was Jesus transformed at each of these events – the transfiguration, the resurrection and his ascension?

What did Jesus' transformed appearance show his disciples?

What would the disciples have felt seeing Jesus stood there with them when they thought He was dead?

Why did Jesus go back to heaven?

Why is salvation important?





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Potential 'what is your ultimate...?' categories

Holiday destination Flavour Ice Cream Junk food Video Game Gadget Christmas film Sandwich Band/Singer







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