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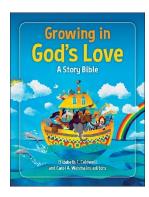


Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible and Flyaway Books

Tips for Engaging

Here are some ideas for each of the books highlighted in Summer Book Bundle from FlyAway Books and Presbyterian Publishing for both at home or in a ministry setting.

Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible



In a ministry setting:

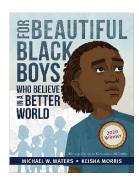
Consider using the <u>Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible Curriculum</u>, a companion for the story Bible.

- Do a video chat with your families where you read the story together and answer the Hear, See, and Act questions as a group.
- Make sure each family in your congregation has a copy of this story Bible to use at home. We offer a discount when you purchase 10 or more story Bibles and a larger discount for 25 or more that shows up automatically in your cart.

At home:

- Read a story and answer the Hear, See, and Act questions; this is a great activity to do at bedtime or any time of the day.
- Look at the various artwork throughout the story Bible and try to recreate it or draw your own interpretation of the story.

For Beautiful Black Boys Who Believe in a Better World



In a ministry setting:

• Have a family event either digitally or in person where you read the book together and break into small groups to talk about it, maybe allowing time for parents only and kids only and then wrapping up with everyone together.

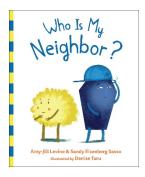
At home:

- Read this with your children when you have time to process the story.
- Review the actions that Jeremiah and his parent talk about in the book and see if your family can do one or more of the things suggested.

Helpful resources:

- Download the guide for talking with children about this difficult topic.
- Use the <u>coloring page</u> with children while discussing the book.

Who Is My Neighbor?



In a ministry setting:

- Create a children's message on the Good Samaritan text from Luke.
- Use this book as part of a lesson on the Good Samaritan for Sunday school or a one-off event.
- Read "The Good Neighbor" from *Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible* and compare it to *Who Is My Neighbor?*

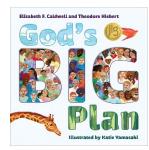
At home:

- Read this book at bedtime or any other time of the day.
- Wonder with your child about what you would do if you were different characters in the book. Would you be helpful? Would you walk away? How would you feel if you were Midnight Blue?

Helpful resources:

• Download the coloring page to use while you discuss the story.

God's Big Plan



In a ministry setting:

- Use this book to talk about diversity as part of a lesson.
- Read "God's Big Plan" from *Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible* and compare it to this book.

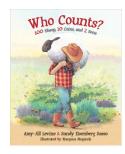
At home:

- Read this book at bedtime or any time of the day.
- Wonder about the people who live in your city or town. Do any of them look like the people in this book?
- Use your imagination and draw a picture of what Babel might look like today...

Helpful resources:

Use the Questions for Conversation in the back of the book.

Who Counts? (available in English, Spanish, and Korean)



In a ministry setting:

- Create a children's message on any of these parables from Luke. Read just one story or all three.
- Read "One Hundred Sheep," "Ten Coins," and "Two Sons and Their Father" from *Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible* and compare these stories against the book.

At home:

- Read this story at bedtime or any time of the day. Read just one of the stories or all three.
- Wonder about things you lose in everyday life and discuss how important it might or might not be that you find those things.

Helpful resources:

- Download the <u>coloring page for 100 Sheep</u>.
- Download the <u>coloring page for 10 Coins</u>.
- Download the coloring page for 2 Sons.

The Marvelous Mustard Seed (available in English, Spanish, and Korean)



In a ministry setting:

- Create a children's message on this parable from Matthew.
- Read "Something Big from Something Small" from *Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible* and compare it to this book.

At home:

- Read this story at bedtime or any time of the day.
- Consider trying to grow a plant, a flower, or a tree if you have space.

Additional Formation Resources available from:

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