

# RE Crib Sheet

## Curriculum for Three Year Olds through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Lydia and Paul

During early New Testament time, in addition to the Jews, there were also Gentiles who believed in the one true God. These Gentiles observed the teachings of the Jewish faith and often observed their special days. A group of gentiles lived in Philippi was not allowed to have a Jewish synagogue. So the Gentiles created alternative worship spaces, such as a riverbank. When Paul arrived in Philippi, he sought out one of the meeting places where a group of women came together, intending to bring his message of Jesus to them.

Lydia, a wealthy merchant, was part of this group who met on the riverbank. Paul's message must have struck a not with her, as she and her whole family became believers. Lydia's commitment and conversion was significant because of her standing in the community. People would have taken notice of anything that she did.

Lydia offered Paul her home as a place to stay and continue his work. What a wonderful example of discipleship she offered – what an open and generous spirit.

**Faith Point: When we believe, we commit to live our lives according to Jesus' example.**

### Bible Quotes:

**3 and 4 year olds:** We cannot keep quiet about what we have seen and heard. Acts 4:20

**k/1:** We are ambassadors for Christ. Corinthians 5:20

**2/3:** Commit your way to the Lord. Psalm 37:5

**4/5/6 :** Commit your way to the Lord; Trust in him, and he will act. Psalm 37:5



## Contemporary Youth Worship Curriculum

No youth will want to miss this week as the group will be working on modernizing one of the parables they have been working on. What parable are they working with? Adults will have to wait until Youth Sunday service on June 13<sup>th</sup> to find out!

### YOUTH SUNDAY

Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, Sunday School will culminate with a youth led service. Each Sunday School class and youth music group will have a part in worship. This year's theme will be trust, as so many of the Sunday School lessons have focused on this topic. There will not be announcements for each class to come forward. Please encourage your child to come forward as laid out in the service order.

Following worship, all families are invited into Fellowship Hall for a picnic featuring hot dogs, watermelon and ice cream. To round out the menu, we are asking families to contribute a side dish or dessert.

### Movie Program

On June 6<sup>th</sup>, from 4-6 pm, the second showing of the movie program for youth in grades one through five will occur. After a warm-up activity associated with the lesson concepts to be presented, youth will enjoy seeing a Disney-Pixar movie in the tower room while enjoying drinks and popcorn. Parents are welcome to stay or drop off. Can you guess the film? The film centers around an elderly widower named Carl Fredricksen and an earnest young wilderness explorer named Russell who fly to South America in a house suspended by helium balloons.



### Looking for Summer Plans?

"High Seas Expedition" is a Bible Camp being held August 2-6, from 9-12, at St. Williams School. Youth ages 4 – 10 participate as campers while older youth work as junior leaders. Youth are divided into small groups which rotate through various centers such as cooking, outdoor games, art and crafts, music and many other areas of interest! Past years programs are highly engaging for all ages. On a personal note, I offered to send one of my teens to basketball camp held the same week. He declined basketball camp saying that VBS was much more fun!



### Potluck Picnic

On Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup>, families who have been involved in Open Nursery or the Parenting series throughout the year are invited to a potluck picnic at the Panilaitis' house from 4-6 pm. Hot dog and burgers will be served, so a side dish or dessert to share with others would be appreciated. Beyond socializing, we are hoping to for some feedback to help make the program better. Please RSVP so that we can plan accordingly.



### DATES TO REMEMBER

**6/6** – Last Day of Sunday School

**6/6** – 4 pm - Movie program for grades 1-5

**6/13** – Youth Sunday; End of the Year Picnic following service

**6/19**- Potluck picnic for families involved in Open Nursery and Parenting Series.

**6/27** – Summer Sunday School begins

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