

## WHEN WILL WE NEED THE BIBLE?

**BIBLE VERSE:** I have treasured your word in my heart so that I may not sin against you. *Psalm 119:11* 

**BONUS VERSE:** Then Jesus told him, "Go away, Satan! For it is written: Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." *Matthew 4:10* 

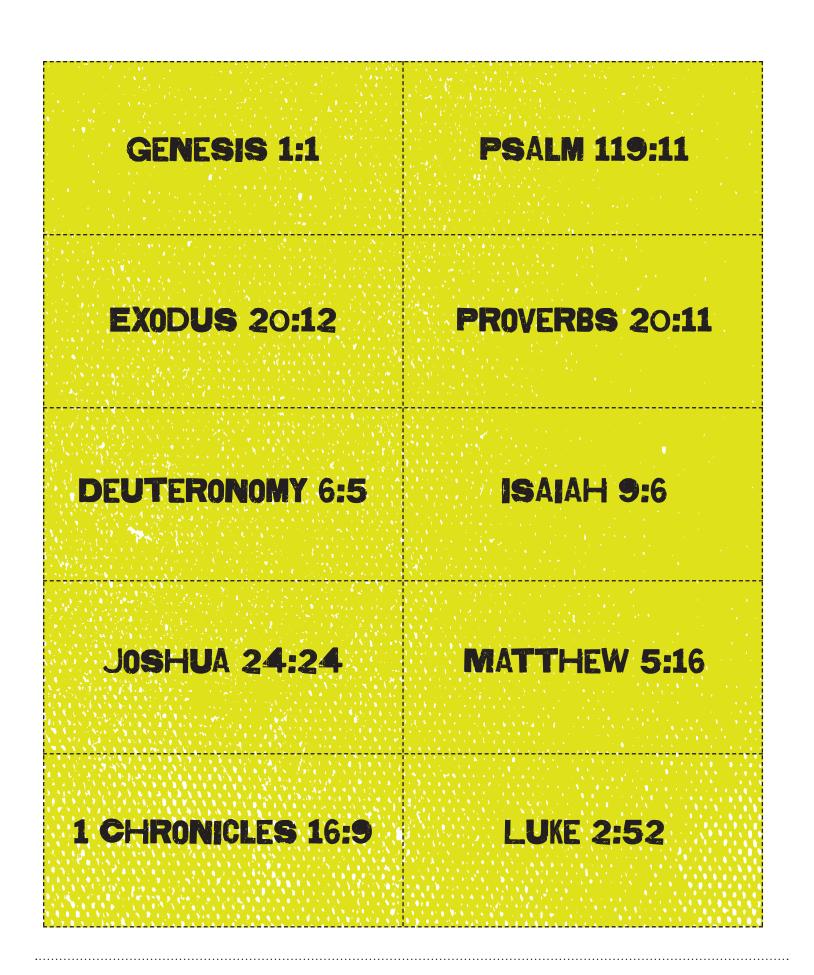
BIBLE STORY: Jesus Was Tempted (Matthew 4:1-11)

**BIBLE TRUTH:** We need the Bible to teach us what is true about God's holy nature, our sinful nature, and our need for a Savior.

This week, your child is learning when we need the Bible through the story of Jesus' temptation. Before Jesus began His ministry on earth, He went into the desert to fast for forty days. At the end of the forty days, when He was physically at His weakest, Satan appeared. He wanted to tempt Him into sin, because He knew that if Jesus sinned against God, He couldn't fulfill the Scriptures. What Satan did not account for was Jesus' great knowledge of the Scriptures. He had been around when each word was written, and He had studied them His entire life on earth. Any time Satan flew a temptation at Jesus, He responded not with an opinion or an idea, but with the truths in the Bible. In the same way, the Bible is our greatest tool when we are facing temptation. Through Bible teaching and activities, your child spent time diving into this idea.

Continue challenging your child this week by openly discussing areas of temptation in both your life and your child's life. Then open the Bible and find truths that you can use when facing those temptations. For us, it is going to take even more effort of being in God's Word because we are sinners. We need to actively read, believe, and trust in God's Word so that we can be prepared for Satan to throw temptation our way. Kids shouldn't wait until they feel they can understand the Bible—they should start now and trust God to reveal what He wants to reveal. When we know the truths of the Bible, we can best thwart the lies of the enemy.

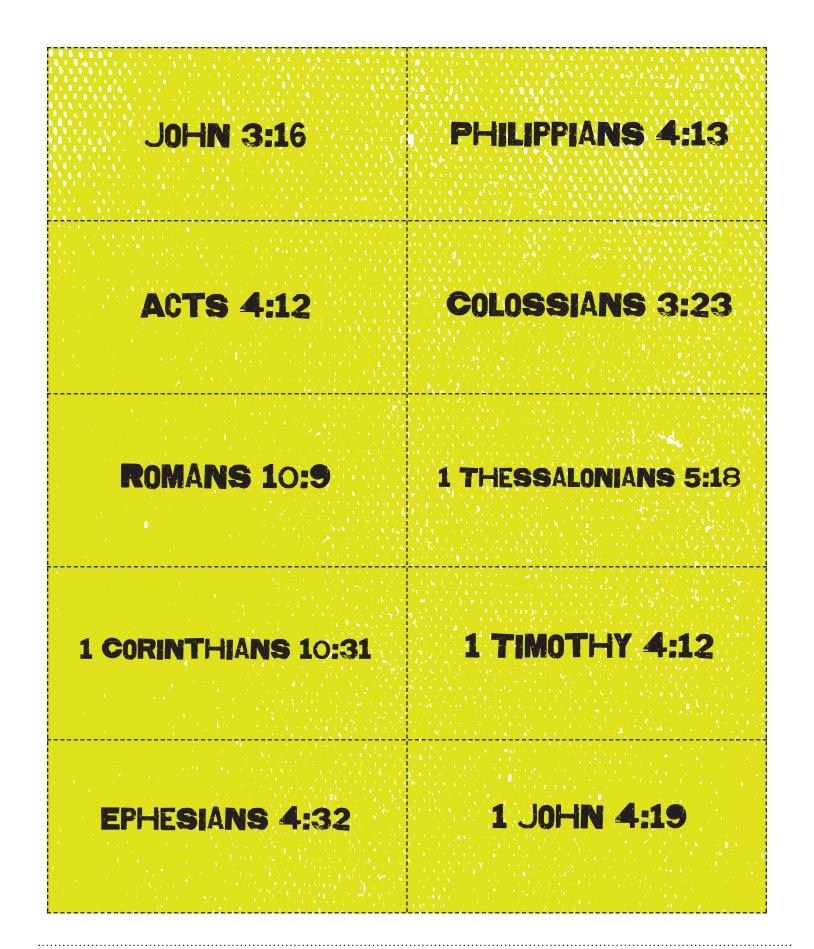






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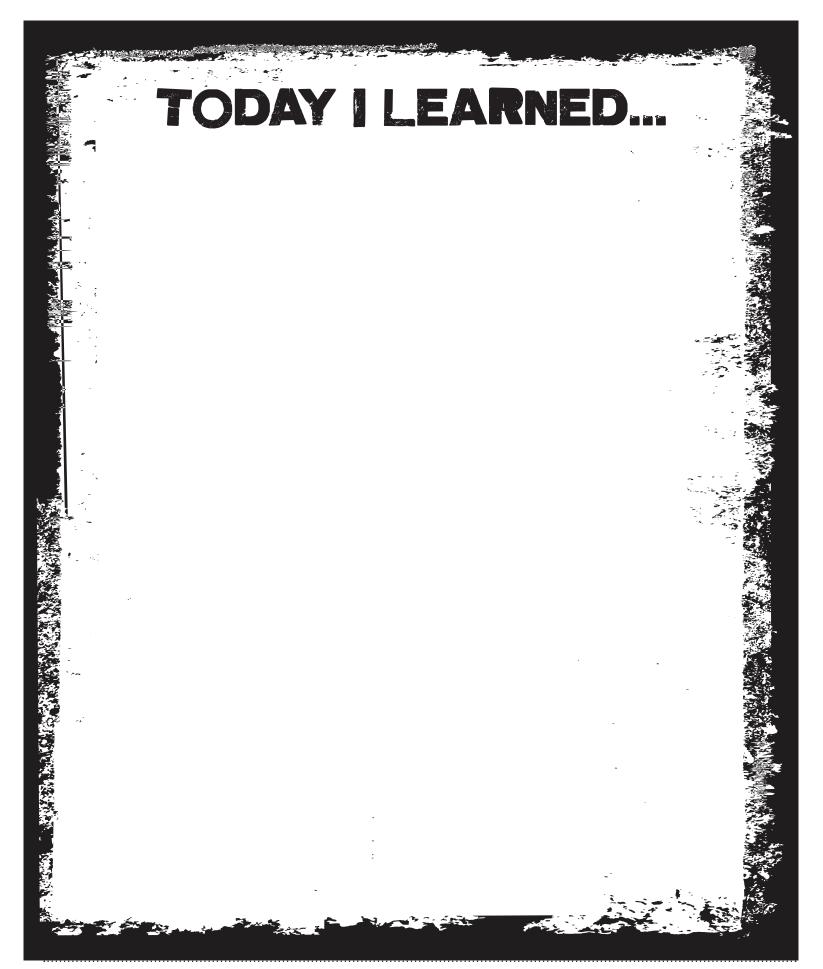
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