



Thank you for purchasing the Thanksgiving Bible Study!

A note to Parents...

Hello and welcome to Quiet Times for Kids! We are so glad you chose to use our products to help disciple and train your precious little ones. In 2 Timothy God's Word commands us to...

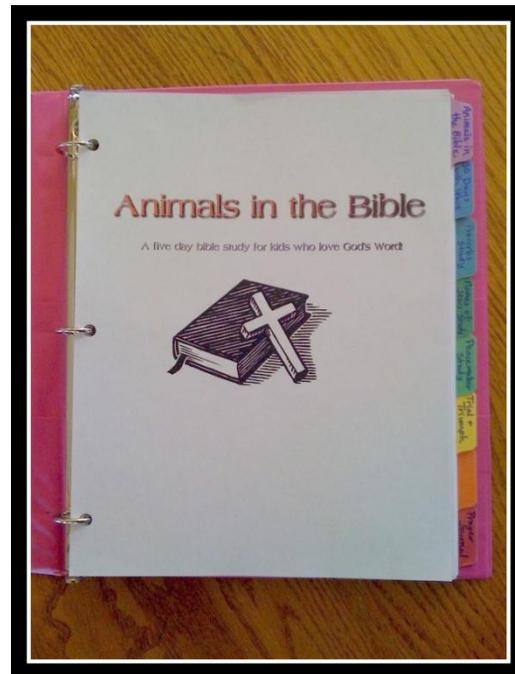
"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth."

2 Timothy 2:15

If you are anything like our family, it is your deepest desire to see your children walking in the truth and to ground them in the fertile soil of God's Word. It is our prayer that our Bible study resources will be a tremendous blessing to you and your family as you seek to help your child learn how to accurately handle the Word of Truth. Please let us know how our Bible studies have helped your family and feel free to contact us with any questions you might have!

Creating Your Notebook

Your first step is to make a Bible Study Notebook for each of your children. We recommend that you use a binder with a 1 inch spine or bigger. You will also need a set of tabbed dividers to separate each of the individual studies that your child completes. In the last page of this file you will find a printable binder cover page that you can insert in the front pocket of the binder. Print the cover page out and sit down with your child as they write their name and decorate their cover page. This notebook will become a real treasure to you and your child as you see the progress and growth your child makes. It also can be a sweet testimony to the faithfulness of God's Word and an evangelistic tool as your child shares it with friends, family and neighbors. Here are a few examples of our children's Bible Study Notebooks:



After you have completed your binder, the next step is to insert and label the dividers. Label the first divider according to the first study you plan to complete. Quiet Times for Kids has produced many topical studies for your child. Here is a list of the possible studies you could have a labeled divider for:

- Proverbs Study
- Names of Jesus Study
- 30 Days with Jesus Study
- 30 Bible Stories You May Have Never Heard
- The Book of James Study
- The Peacemakers Study
- My Advent Study
- The Twelve Days of Christmas Study

All of these printable Bible studies are available for purchase at www.QuietTimesforKids.com

Printing Out Your Copies

To complete this study, you will need to print out pages 3-26 of this document. We recommend taking the time to sit with your child and read through the letter found on page 3. The cover page for your Bible Study Notebook is found on page 26.

We recommend going through the first study along with your child to help them understand the process and to answer any questions they may have. We also recommend finding a good time of day to set aside for your children to devote to their personal Bible study. For some families this may be something you may want them to complete first thing in the morning, even before breakfast. For others it may be the first assignment you give them to start off their school day. This can be a blessing to mom as it will give her a little time to prepare the lessons for the rest of the day as the children work on their Bible Study Binders. In our family we have found that the best time for us is in the afternoon while our little ones are napping. We have always made it a practice to have the whole family take a quiet time around 3:00 in the afternoon and having these Bible studies has been an invaluable tool to give our older, non-napping children something productive and edifying to do while the little ones nap. We encourage you to try different times of the day until you find what works best for your family.

*We pray God's blessings on you and your family as you
dig into God's Word together!*

*Blessings in Jesus,
Andie Davidson & Family*



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21 Days of Gratitude – What is it?

A letter to be read by parents and children together...

Welcome to your Thanksgiving Bible Study! You are about to embark on a gratitude journey! What is gratitude? Well, a long time ago a man named Webster wrote a very special dictionary and this is how he defined gratitude:

GRATITUDE, n.

Gratitude is a virtue of the highest excellence, as it implies a generous heart, and a proper sense of duty. It is an emotion of the heart, excited by a favor or benefit received; a sentiment of kindness or good will towards a benefactor; thankfulness. Gratitude is an agreeable emotion, consisting in or accompanied with good will to a benefactor, and a disposition to make a suitable return of benefits or services, or when no return can be made, with a desire to see the benefactor prosperous and happy. The love of God is the sublimest gratitude.

Gratitude is not something that passively happens to us but rather it is a discipline of the Christian life, a discipline that brings tremendous blessing. In this 21 day Bible study you will learn so much about the role gratitude plays in our lives. You will search the Scriptures find treasures that will provide decades of peace in your life, if you will heed them. You will look up verses and answer questions. Each day, you will complete your 'Put it into Practice' assignment. This will help you be a doer of God's Word and not just a hearer only. By the end of the three weeks, you will compose your own "Thanksgiving Proclamation" by combining all the things you are thankful for in to your Century of Thankfulness list. You will also be writing some letters to loved ones in your life, sharing with them what you are thankful for and how they have enriched your life.

Each day you will find quotes from wise elders who have learned valuable lessons about the importance of being thankful. While most of these sayings come from believing saints, you will find that some are from non-believers as well. God, in his sovereignty, reveals his truth through many sources such as creation, non-believers and even donkeys! Quoting these sources does not mean that we agree with everything they taught. Remember, even a broken clock is right two times a day!

This study can be completed any time of the year but was designed to be best used during the month of November. You will notice that on day 21 you will be given an assignment that includes your whole family and could be read at the Thanksgiving dinner table. If you find yourself behind scheduled and do not finish this study before Thanksgiving Day, you may want to skip ahead and do Day 21 in time for Thanksgiving and then go back later and complete the rest of the study.

I encourage you to make your Bible study time a sweet and memorable part of your day. Find a comfortable place to do it and fix yourself a sweet drink or snack to enjoy while you read God's word and fellowship with him. By the end of this study I pray that you will have a renewed heart of gratitude towards those in your life and more importantly towards the Lord!

Blessing on you as you take the gratitude challenge!

Andie Davidson

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Day One – Gratitude is a Discipline

“Gratitude goes beyond the 'mine' and 'thine' and claims the truth that all of life is a pure gift. In the past I always thought of gratitude as a spontaneous response to the awareness of gifts received, but now I realize that gratitude can also be lived as a discipline. The discipline of gratitude is the explicit effort to acknowledge that all I am and have is given to me as a gift of love, a gift to be celebrated with joy.”

— Henri J.M. Nouwen

Read these Psalms in the different translations:

Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts. Psalm 119:173

Let your hand be ready to help me, For I have chosen Your precepts. Psalm 119:173 NASB

May your hand be ready to help me, for I have chosen your precepts. Psalm 119:173 NIV

What does the psalmist tell us we must choose? _____

What are the precepts of God? _____

Another word for precept is co__ __ __ __ d.

Look up these verses and answer in a complete sentence:

Read 1 Chronicles 16:8. What does this verse command us to do?

Read 1 Thessalonians 5:18. What does this verse command us to do?

Put it into Practice:

If God’s Word commands us to be thankful then we better obey right now! Turn this paper over and write 3 things that have happened in the last 24 hours that you are thankful for!



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Day Two – Gratitude is a Habit

“Cultivate the habit of being grateful for every good thing that comes to you, and to give thanks continuously. And because all things have contributed to your advancement, you should include all things in your gratitude.”

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

Read Colossians 4:2 and copy it here:

Read 1 Timothy 2:1 and copy it here:

The definition of habit is a settled and regular tendency or practice, especially one that is hard to give up. We can all have good habits or we can have bad habits. In the same way, praying out prayers of thanksgiving should be made into a habit for every believer. Make it your goal to develop the *habit* of gratitude!



Put it into Practice:

Write out a prayer to God telling him all you are thankful for today:



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Day Three – Granted or Gratitude?

“When it comes to life the critical thing is whether you take things for granted or take them with gratitude.”
— G.K. Chesterton

Read Luke 17:11-19

What did the nine lepers do immediately after they were healed?

What did the one leper do differently than the other nine?

Read verses 15 & 16 again. This leper did four specific things in response to Jesus compassion on him. What were those four things?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

There is a big difference between taking something for granted and taking something with gratitude. Taking something for granted means that you fail to appreciate it or expect that it will always be available even if you don't give thanks for it. The nine lepers took their healing for granted and the one took it with gratitude. We are given so many blessings each day that it is all too easy to take them for granted. Make it your goal not to take things for granted but to be like the leper who returned with praise and thankfulness!



Put it into Practice:

List at least five things that your parents do for you that you take for granted each day. After you write them below, go to your parents and verbally thank them for these blessings they provide for you!
