

Week of December 7TH – 13TH

Youth Group Mid-Week Devotion

[Click Here](#) for the discussion worksheet for the Mid-Week Youth Group Devotion for Middle/High School Life Group from “Talksheets: Epic Old Testament Stories”. This week’s lesson is called “**Abraham Believes the Lord**”. *This lesson explores the question “What do YOU believe?” It’s a simple question but guides our direction and purpose in life. Take time this week after you do the lesson to think about what you truly believe, because IT MATTERS!*

- Each student can do the worksheet on their own and then you can discuss afterwards with the attached “Leader’s Guide”.
 - Worksheets are very user friendly and are flexible and will easily adapt easily to being used by individuals at home.
 - Each Leader’s Guide includes step by step instructions, more information about the topic and questions to ask to help promote discussion. Also, each “Leader’s Guide” document includes additional activities & ideas to engage your child more in the topic.
 - You will need a Bible to look up verses for each lesson, if you need a Bible let me know or you can use <https://www.biblegateway.com/> or a Bible app on your devices.
- This week’s lesson can be found in: [Genesis 15:1-21](#)
 - KEY VERSE = [Genesis 15:6](#) (NIV) **Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.**
 - With the devotion, [CLICK HERE](#) to listen to the song “**This I Believe (The Creed)**” by Hillsong Worship.

***Also [attached](#) is the Mid-Week Devotion Schedule for September thru December 2020.**

Youth Group Lesson

- This week, we will continue our Advent series called “A Savior is Born”. “A Savior is Born” explores how can we prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of our Savior in our frantic, consumer-driven society? How do we make sure the Christmas holiday remains a Holy Day? In each of the four Advent sessions in this video Bible study, viewers will experience cinematic short films that capture events surrounding the birth of Jesus Christ. We will open Scripture to bring us back to the roots and heart of our faith in Christ. Each week, we will watch a cinematic video & analysis, do a section of the curriculum workbook, and read scripture & listen to a song that accompany the lesson. This week’s Advent lesson is called “**PEACE**”. This lesson will use the story of Ruth to explore the promise of a Messiah and the importance the town of Bethlehem played in the nativity story. *Link for video lesson below:*
- Watch the VIDEO: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J5VkVe6a9aQ>
- Attached [Here](#) is the “a Savior is Born” Workbook . *This week, **complete** Lesson 2: Peace on Pages 14-21.*
- This week’s lesson can be found in [Ruth 1:16-21](#)
- With the lesson, listen to “**O Little Town of Bethlehem** (Acoustic)” by Reawaken <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xVjtzUgrIdM>

***Also [attached](#) the Weekly Lesson Schedule for September thru December 2020.**

NO Zoom this week on Sunday. Join us for Christmas Caroling at 3:00pm on Sunday December 13th, as we visit our church community and spread Christmas cheer.

Upcoming December Events:

- *Church-wide Christmas Caroling- **December 13TH** at **3:00pm**. *If you would like to participate, please let us or Pastor Julie know asap. We need more participants! **
- *In-person Youth Christmas Community Service/Meeting- **TBD***
- *Christmas Eve Service & Nativity Luminary Walk - **December 24th** *If you would like to participate at this event by reading a part of the Luminary walk, handing out goodie bags, etc. Please let me know, we need Youth volunteers (parents welcome to help too).**

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