

# Scope and Sequence

## Standard Lesson Commentary/ Standard Lesson Quarterly

2011–2012

2012–2013

# LESSON CYCLE CHART

*International Sunday School Lesson Cycle, September 2010—August 2016*

Year	Fall Quarter (Sep, Oct, Nov)	Winter Quarter (Dec, Jan, Feb)	Spring Quarter (Mar, Apr, May)	Summer Quarter (Jun, Jul, Aug)
2010-2011	<b>The Inescapable God</b> (Exodus, Psalms)	<b>Assuring Hope</b> (Isaiah, Matthew, Mark)	<b>We Worship God</b> (Matthew, Mark, Philippians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Jude, Revelation)	<b>God Instructs His People</b> (Joshua, Judges, Ruth)
2011-2012	<b>Tradition and Wisdom</b> (Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Matthew)	<b>God Establishes a Faithful People</b> (Genesis, Exodus, Luke, Galatians)	<b>God's Creative Word</b> (John)	<b>God Calls for Justice</b> (Pentateuch, History, Psalms, Prophets)
2012-2013	<b>A Living Faith</b> (Psalms, Acts, 1 Corinthians, Hebrews)	<b>Jesus Is Lord</b> (John, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians)	<b>Undying Hope</b> (Daniel, Luke, Acts, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Peter)	<b>God's People Worship</b> (Isaiah, Ezra, Nehemiah)
2013-2014	<b>First Things</b> (Genesis, Exodus, Psalms)	<b>Jesus and the Just Reign of God</b> (Luke, James)	<b>Jesus' Fulfillment of Scripture</b> (Pentateuch, 2 Samuel, Psalms, Prophets, Gospels, Acts, Revelation)	<b>The People of God Set Priorities</b> (Haggai, Zechariah, 1 & 2 Corinthians)
2014-2015	<b>Sustaining Hope</b> (Psalms, Job, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Habakkuk)	<b>Acts of Worship</b> (Psalms, Matthew, Luke, John, Ephesians, Hebrews, James)	<b>The Spirit Comes</b> (Mark, John, Acts, 1 Corinthians, 1, 2, & 3 John)	<b>God's Prophets Demand Justice</b> (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Amos, Micah, Zechariah, Malachi)
2015-2016	<b>The Christian Community Comes Alive</b> (Acts)	<b>Sacred Gifts and Holy Gatherings</b> (Pentateuch, Song of Songs, Hosea, Micah, Gospels)	<b>The Gift of Faith</b> (Mark, Luke)	<b>Toward a New Creation</b> (Genesis, Psalms, Zephaniah, Romans)

"God"	"Hope"	"Worship"	"Community"	"Tradition"	"Faith"	"Creation"	"Justice"
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# Fall 2011: Tradition and Wisdom

## Unit 1: Teaching and Learning

September 4	Pursuing Righteousness . . . . .	<i>Proverbs 3:1-12</i>
September 11	Making Right Choices . . . . .	<i>Proverbs 4:10-15, 20-27</i>
September 18	Teaching Values . . . . .	<i>Proverbs 15:21-33</i>
September 25	Acting with Discernment . . . . .	<i>Proverbs 25:1-10</i>
October 2	Living an Ordered Life . . . . .	<i>Proverbs 29:16-27</i>
October 9	Valuing True Wisdom . . . . .	<i>Ecclesiastes 9:13–10:4</i>
October 16	Growing Old with Wisdom . . . . .	<i>Ecclesiastes 11:9–12:7, 13</i>
October 23	Finding True Love . . . . .	<i>Song of Songs 4:8–5:1a</i>

## Unit 2: Jesus Teaches Wisdom

October 30	Seeking True Happiness . . . . .	<i>Matthew 5:1-12</i>
November 6	Living in Harmony with Others . . . . .	<i>Matthew 5:17-26</i>
November 13	Loving Unconditionally . . . . .	<i>Matthew 5:38-48</i>
November 20	Praying Sincerely . . . . .	<i>Matthew 6:5-15</i>
November 27	Facing Life Without Worry . . . . .	<i>Matthew 6:25-34</i>

# Winter 2011–2012: God Establishes a Faithful People

## Unit 1: God's Covenant

December 4	The Lord Calls Abram . . . . .	<i>Genesis 12:1-9</i>
December 11	The Lord Gives His Promise . . . . .	<i>Genesis 15:1-6, 12-18</i>
December 18	The Lord Provides . . . . .	<i>Genesis 22:1-14</i>
December 25	The Lord Keeps His Promise . . . . .	<i>Luke 1:46-55; 2:1-7</i>

## Unit 2: God's Protection

January 1	Joseph Shows Character . . . . .	<i>Genesis 39:7-21a</i>
January 8	Joseph Finds Favor . . . . .	<i>Genesis 41:37-46, 50-52</i>
January 15	God Preserves a Remnant . . . . .	<i>Genesis 45:3-15</i>
January 22	Joseph Transmits Abraham's Promise . . . . .	<i>Genesis 50:15-26</i>
January 29	Israel Is Delivered from Egypt . . . . .	<i>Exodus 15:1-5, 19-26</i>

## Unit 3: God's Redemption

February 5	Justified by Faith in Christ . . . . .	<i>Galatians 2:15-21</i>
February 12	Blessed with Abraham . . . . .	<i>Galatians 3:1-14</i>
February 19	Inheriting Abraham's Promise . . . . .	<i>Galatians 3:15-18; 4:1-7</i>
February 26	Bearing the Fruit of Redemption . . . . .	<i>Galatians 5:22–6:10</i>

# Spring 2012: God's Creative Word

## Unit 1: In the Beginning Was the Word

March 4	Wisdom's Origin . . . . .	<i>Proverbs 8:22-35</i>
March 11	The Word Became Flesh . . . . .	<i>John 1:1-14</i>
March 18	Water Turned to Wine . . . . .	<i>John 2:1-12</i>
March 25	Nicodemus Learns of New Birth . . . . .	<i>John 3:11-21</i>
April 1	Jesus Testifies to the Truth . . . . .	<i>John 18:28-38</i>
April 8	Jesus Lives! . . . . .	<i>John 20:1-10, 19, 20</i>

## Unit 2: Jesus' Powerful Words

April 15	Temple Is Cleansed . . . . .	<i>John 2:13-22</i>
April 22	Samaritan Woman Finds Living Water . . . . .	<i>John 4:7-15, 21-30</i>
April 29	Blind Man Receives Sight . . . . .	<i>John 9:1-17</i>

## Unit 3: I Am . . .

May 6	The Bread of Life . . . . .	<i>John 6:22-35</i>
May 13	The Good Shepherd . . . . .	<i>John 10:7-18</i>
May 20	The Resurrection and the Life . . . . .	<i>John 11:17-27, 41-44</i>
May 27	The Way, the Truth, and the Life . . . . .	<i>John 14:1-14</i>

# Summer 2012: God Calls for Justice

## Unit 1: Justice Defined

June 3	Practice Justice . . . . .	<i>Exodus 23:1-9</i>
June 10	Live as God's Just People . . . . .	<i>Leviticus 19:9-18, 33-37</i>
June 17	Celebrate Jubilee . . . . .	<i>Leviticus 25:8-12, 25, 35-40, 47, 48, 55</i>
June 24	Love God; Love People . . . . .	<i>Deuteronomy 10:12-22; 16:18-20</i>

## Unit 2: Justice Enacted

July 1	Samuel Administers Justice . . . . .	<i>1 Samuel 7:3-17</i>
July 8	David Embodies God's Justice . . . . .	<i>2 Samuel 23:1-7; 1 Chronicles 18:14</i>
July 15	Solomon Judges with Wisdom and Justice . . . . .	<i>1 Kings 3:16-28; 2 Chronicles 9:8</i>
July 22	A King Acts on a Widow's Behalf . . . . .	<i>2 Kings 8:1-6</i>
July 29	Jehoshaphat Makes Judicial Reforms . . . . .	<i>2 Chronicles 19:4-11</i>

## Unit 3: Justice Promised

August 5	Praise for God's Justice . . . . .	<i>Psalms 146</i>
August 12	God Promised a Righteous Lord . . . . .	<i>Isaiah 9:1-7</i>
August 19	God Promised a Righteous Branch . . . . .	<i>Jeremiah 23:1-6; 33:14-18</i>
August 26	God Promised to Be with Us . . . . .	<i>Ezekiel 34:23-31</i>

# Fall 2012: A Living Faith

## Unit 1: What Is Faith?

September 2	Faith Calls for Perseverance . . . . .	<i>Hebrews 10:19-31</i>
September 9	Faith Gives Assurance . . . . .	<i>Hebrews 11:1-6; Psalm 46</i>
September 16	Faith Empowers Endurance . . . . .	<i>Hebrews 12:1-11</i>
September 23	Faith Inspires Gratitude . . . . .	<i>Hebrews 12:18-29</i>
September 30	Faith Instills Love . . . . .	<i>Hebrews 13:1-3, 6; 1 Corinthians 13</i>

## Unit 2: Who Understands Faith?

October 7	Stephen Defends His Faith . . . . .	<i>Acts 6:8–7:2a, 22, 44a, 45b-49</i>
October 14	Stephen Is Faithful to Death . . . . .	<i>Acts 7:51–8:1</i>
October 21	Simon Wants to Buy Power . . . . .	<i>Acts 8:9-25</i>
October 28	Philip Baptizes a Man from Ethiopia . . . . .	<i>Acts 8:26-39</i>

## Unit 3: Where Does Faith Take Us?

November 4	Paul Testifies Before King Agrippa . . . . .	<i>Acts 26:19-32</i>
November 11	Paul Survives a Shipwreck . . . . .	<i>Acts 27:1, 2, 33-44</i>
November 18	Paul Ministers on Malta . . . . .	<i>Acts 28:1-10</i>
November 25	Paul Evangelizes in Rome . . . . .	<i>Acts 28:16, 17, 23-31</i>

# Winter 2012–2013: Jesus Is Lord

## Unit 1: Victory in Jesus

December 2	Blessed in Christ . . . . .	<i>Ephesians 1:3-14</i>
December 9	One in Jesus Christ . . . . .	<i>Ephesians 2:11-22</i>
December 16	Part of One Body in Christ . . . . .	<i>Ephesians 4:1-16</i>
December 23	Alive in the Light of Christ . . . . .	<i>John 1:1-5, 14; Ephesians 5:1, 2, 6-14</i>
December 30	Christ's Love for the Church . . . . .	<i>Ephesians 5:18–6:4</i>

## Unit 2: Exalting Christ

January 6	Proclaiming Christ . . . . .	<i>Philippians 1:12-26</i>
January 13	Imitating Christ . . . . .	<i>Philippians 2:1-13</i>
January 20	Knowing Jesus Christ . . . . .	<i>Philippians 3:1-11</i>
January 27	Standing Firm in Christ . . . . .	<i>Philippians 3:12–4:1</i>

## Unit 3: Imitating Jesus

February 3	Focused Solely on Christ . . . . .	<i>Colossians 1:12-23</i>
February 10	Raised with Christ . . . . .	<i>Colossians 2:6-15</i>
February 17	Clothed with Christ . . . . .	<i>Colossians 3:5-17</i>
February 24	Disciplined for Life . . . . .	<i>Colossians 4:2-17</i>

# Spring 2013: Undying Hope

## Unit 1: The Kingdom of God

March 3	Daniel's Vision of Change . . . . .	<i>Daniel 7:1-3, 9-14</i>
March 10	Daniel's Prayer. . . . .	<i>Daniel 9:4-14, 17</i>
March 17	Gabriel Interprets Daniel's Vision . . . . .	<i>Daniel 8:1, 15-26</i>

## Unit 2: Resurrection Hope

March 24	The Lord's Supper . . . . .	<i>Luke 22:14-30</i>
March 31	The Lord Lives . . . . .	<i>Luke 24:13-21, 28-35</i>
April 7	The Lord Appears . . . . .	<i>Luke 24:36-53</i>
April 14	The Lord Sends the Spirit . . . . .	<i>Acts 2:1-16</i>
April 21	The Lord Will Return. . . . .	<i>1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11</i>
April 28	The Lord Will Triumph . . . . .	<i>2 Thessalonians 2:1-4, 8-17</i>

## Unit 3: A Call to Holy Living

May 5	Living Hope. . . . .	<i>1 Peter 1:3-16</i>
May 12	Sure Hope . . . . .	<i>2 Peter 1:2-15, 20, 21</i>
May 19	Active Hope. . . . .	<i>1 Peter 4:1-11</i>
May 26	Patient Hope. . . . .	<i>2 Peter 3:3-15a, 18</i>

# Summer 2013: God's People Worship

## Unit 1: The Prophet and Praise

June 2	Worship and Respond . . . . .	<i>Isaiah 6:1-8</i>
June 9	Worship with Thanksgiving. . . . .	<i>Isaiah 12</i>
June 16	Worship with Meaning. . . . .	<i>Isaiah 29:9-16</i>
June 23	Worship in the New Creation. . . . .	<i>Isaiah 65:17-25</i>

## Unit 2: Worshipping in Jerusalem Again (Ezra)

June 30	Restoring Joyful Worship . . . . .	<i>Ezra 3:1-7</i>
July 7	Restoring the Temple. . . . .	<i>Ezra 3:8-13</i>
July 14	Dedicating the Temple. . . . .	<i>Ezra 6:13-22</i>
July 21	Fasting and Praying . . . . .	<i>Ezra 7:6-10; 8:21-23</i>
July 28	Giving Gifts for the Temple. . . . .	<i>Ezra 8:24-35</i>

## Unit 3: Worshipping in Jerusalem Again (Nehemiah)

August 4	Feast of Tabernacles. . . . .	<i>Nehemiah 8:2, 3, 13-18</i>
August 11	Community of Confession. . . . .	<i>Nehemiah 9:2, 6, 7, 9, 10, 30-36</i>
August 18	Dedication of the Wall. . . . .	<i>Nehemiah 12:27-38, 43</i>
August 25	Sabbath Reforms . . . . .	<i>Nehemiah 13:10-12, 15-22</i>