

# Yellow 2018 - The year at a glance...

Easy reference guide to this year.

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## Unit 1: God's Story of Everything

**MEGA THEME** God's Way

**OVERVIEW** This is an introduction for the children, about God, Jesus and the Bible. It gives an overview of God's good news from Creation, through the first human's disobedience to Jesus loving us and people being forgiven, finishing with a glimpse of heaven.

**AIM** • To give the children a God's-eye view of the earth, past, present and future and provide visual prompts to explain God's story for humanity. Emphasis is on the 'why'.

### LESSONS

- 1 God, the World and People (Genesis 1 - 2:4)  
*Highlighted Value:* Significance
  - 2 Choices to be Made  
(Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-13; 1 John 1:5-9)  
*Highlighted Values:* Choices and Consequences
  - 3 Heaven - Highlight of God's Plan  
(John 14:1-3; Matt 13:44; Revelation 21 & 22)  
*Highlighted Value:* Hope
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## Unit 2: Jesus, Like No Other

**MEGA THEME** Jesus' Life and Lessons

**OVERVIEW** People saw and heard Jesus and many started to wonder if Jesus was the long promised messiah and for many, they discovered who Jesus was by what they saw of his life and the message he gave of God's love.

**AIM** • To give some insight into who Jesus is and to introduce him as the Living God and as one who loves us all

### LESSONS

- 4 What Jesus Said About Himself (John 14:4-11)  
*Highlighted Value:* Understanding
  - 5 Jesus is Someone to Follow (Luke 5:1-11)  
*Highlighted Value:* Trust
  - 6 Amazing Things Jesus Did (Matthew 9, 11)  
*Highlighted Value:* Responsibility
  - 7 Jesus – He is the Living God (John 20:11-31)  
*Highlighted Value:* Confidence
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## Unit 3: Joseph - A Life of Resilience

**MEGA THEME** God's People

**OVERVIEW** The Bible account of Joseph's life is action-packed, dramatic and exciting. From Canaan to Egypt, from prisoner to governor, Joseph trusts God to look after him, learning that God can bring good out of difficult and unfair situations.

**AIM** To tell the story of Joseph, an example of one who trusted God through the tough times and worked with God to save his people.

### LESSONS

- 8 Life Isn't Easy (Genesis 37)  
*Highlighted Value:* Patience
  - 9 Trusting God in Tough Times (Genesis 39-40)  
*Highlighted Value:* Integrity
  - 10 Perseverance Pays (Genesis 41)  
*Highlighted Value:* Leadership
  - 11 God Brings Good Out of Tough Times (Genesis 42-47, 50)  
*Highlighted Value:* Resilience
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## Unit 4: Jesus Asks People to Join His Team

**MEGA THEME** Followers of Jesus

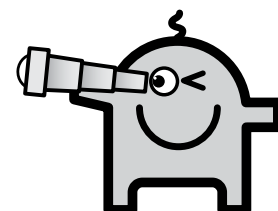
**OVERVIEW** Who were Jesus' followers? Were they the cream of society's 'A' list? No. Many of them were common, or lower class people, some were even social outcasts who despite their failings (or even because of this) Jesus chose them to be his friends.

**AIM** To introduce Jesus' close friends and teach Jesus' model of prayer using the 'Lord's Prayer.'

### LESSONS

- 12 Everyone's Invited to Follow (Matthew 9:9-13)  
*Highlighted Value:* Inclusiveness
  - 13 Jesus Teaches His Friends to Pray (Matthew 6:5-13)  
*Highlighted Value:* Encouragement
  - 14 Jesus is Kind & Powerful (John 11:1-45)  
*Highlighted Value:* Caring
  - 15 Jesus' Team? Your Choice (Matthew 19:16-30)  
*Highlighted Value:* Making Choices
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GodSpace lessons strongly affirm Christian values and we've listed the values incorporated in this year's lessons. These are underlying values within but not the focus of the lesson.



## Unit 5: Paul - God's Messenger

**MEGA THEME** Followers of Jesus

**OVERVIEW** After Paul met Jesus it changed his life and he went on with redirected energy and boldness to talk about Jesus. Being empowered by the Holy Spirit nothing could stop him from telling the good news, no matter what happened to him.

**AIM** To introduce the children to Paul as God's messenger to people who did not know about Jesus.

### LESSONS

- 16** Paul Changed His Mind (Acts 8:1-3, 26:2-20)  
*Highlighted Value:* Responsibility
- 17** Paul Changed His Goals (Acts 9:1-25)  
*Highlighted Value:* Self Reflection
- 18** Good News, Big Trouble (Acts 16:20-36)  
*Highlighted Value:* Perseverance
- 19** Paul Explains About God (Acts 17:16, 21-34)  
*Highlighted Value:* Communication

## Unit 6: Moses - God's Rescue Man

**MEGA THEME** God's People

**OVERVIEW** This unit covers the life of Moses from his birth through to the parting of the sea, which completes God's deliverance of Israel out of Egypt. We'll read how God rescued the Israelites and then rescued all people through Jesus.

**AIM** To teach the story of God's deliverance of Israel out of Egypt, revealing God's saving character.

### LESSONS

- 20** God Saves the Baby Moses (Exodus 1:1 - 2:10)  
*Highlighted Value:* Trust
- 21** God calls Moses to be a Leader (Ex 2:11-4:20)  
*Highlighted Value:* Leadership
- 22** God Has Power to Lead (Exodus 5-10)  
*Highlighted Value:* Consequences
- 23** God Has Power to Save (Exodus 11-14)  
*Highlighted Value:* Faithfulness

## Unit 7: God's Word

**MEGA THEME** God's Way

**OVERVIEW** Looking at the greatest book available – the Bible – how it came into being and why God has provided it for us. It is God's guidelines for living and therefore is an important point of reference in order to build a solid foundation for our lives.

**AIM** To introduce the children to the Bible as the story of God's people and God's plan for our lives.

### LESSONS

- 24** The Bible Inspired by God (2 Timothy 3:16-17)  
*Highlighted Value:* Excellence
- 25** The Bible, Written Down by People (Luke 1:1-4)  
*Highlighted Value:* Understanding
- 26** Sharing the Message of the Bible (Modern Stories)  
*Highlighted Value:* Participation
- 27** Understanding the Message of the Bible (Luke 8:4-8, 11-15)  
*Highlighted Value:* Consistency

## Unit 8: Jesus, the Promised One

**MEGA THEME** Jesus' Life and Lessons

**OVERVIEW** The Christmas story is an account of God's great promise of a coming Messiah, a king and deliverer, being fulfilled. We will learn that God keeps all his promises and that with the born of Jesus, his greatest promise has been fulfilled.

**AIM** To explain that the story of the birth of Jesus, as recounted in the gospels of Matthew and Luke, is a fulfilment of God's promise made to humanity many years earlier.

### LESSONS

- 28** Jesus, the Promised Child (Isaiah 7:14, 9:6-7; Micah 5:2-5a)  
*Highlighted Value:* Keeping a Promise
- 29** Waiting for the Promised Child (Luke 2:22-38)  
*Highlighted Value:* Patience
- 30** Finding the Promised Child (Matthew 2:1-15)  
*Highlighted Value:* Worship

## Extra Lessons: Prayer & The Bible

**OVERVIEW** To introduce the children to two key aspects about the Christian faith. The invitation to talk with God (prayer) and to reflect on how we respond to what Jesus has done for us - to reach out to the poor, to care for those in need.

### LESSONS

- 31** Examples of Prayer (Psalms)  
*Highlighted Value:* Communication Skills
- 32** Faith in Action (Micah 6:8; Matthew 25:34-40; James 2:1-4, 14-18)  
*Highlighted Value:* Practices of Faith