

# The Year at a Glance



## GodSpace Purple: Questions About God

### Unit 1: Questions About God and Me

**Theme:** Living God's Way

**Overview:** This unit explores some foundational questions about God and people. Students will explore how the Bible answers these questions and reflect on their own relationship with God.

**Aim:** To explore questions about God and people and to discover that answers to these questions can be found in the Bible.

**Lessons:**

**\*Introduction (Lesson Download)**

- 1 Finding the Answers: The Bible
- 2 Who is God? (Genesis 1-2:4)
- 3 Does God Know Me? (Psalm 139:1-18, 23-24)
- 4 How Do I Make Good Choices? (Genesis 2:9, 15-17; 3:1-13, 20-24)



### Unit 2: How Is Jesus Different?

**Theme:** Jesus' Life and Lessons

**Overview:** Students will consider the question 'How is Jesus different?' The stories focus on some of the extraordinary things Jesus did, including his power over nature, sickness and death, and also his power to change people's lives.

**Aim:** To consider the question 'How is Jesus different?' by exploring stories of Jesus showing his power over nature, sickness and death and also his power to change people's lives.

**Lessons:**

- 5 Power Over Nature (Luke 8:22-25)
- 6 Power Over Sickness (John 5:1-16)
- 7 Power Over Death (Luke 7:11-17)
- 8 Power to Change Lives (Luke 19:1-10)

**\*Easter Lesson (See page 226)**



### Unit 3: How Do People Respond to Jesus?

**Theme:** Jesus' Life and Lessons

**Overview:** Students consider the question, 'How did people respond to Jesus?' Both Jesus' actions and his words invited a response from people he met and taught. Students will explore some responses and be invited to consider their own responses, choices and priorities.

**Aim:** For students to examine how different people in the Bible responded to Jesus and to make positive choices in regard to Jesus, themselves and others in light of those responses.

**Lessons:**

- 13 Amazed by Jesus  
(John 4:3-30, 39-42)
  - 14 Time With Jesus (Luke 10:38-42)
  - 15 Walked Away from Jesus (Mark 10:17-27)
  - 16 Humble With Jesus (Luke 7:1-10)
- \*Revision Lesson (Lesson Download)**



### Unit 4: Does Jesus Understand Me?

**Theme:** Jesus' Life and Lessons

**Overview:** This unit aims to extend students' understanding of who Jesus is as they consider both his deity and his humanity, beginning as a child. The lessons are centred around relatable emotions: anger, hurt, pain and loneliness. Students consider the implications of Jesus being human (while still being God) and how they can relate to him.

**Aim:** For students to understand the Biblical idea that although Jesus is God, he understands and can help people with life's challenges because he experienced life as a human.

**Lessons:**

- 13 What was Jesus Like Growing Up?  
(Luke 2:41-52)
  - 14 Did Jesus Get Angry? (Mark 11:15-18)
  - 15 Did Jesus Feel Sad or Troubled?  
(Luke 22:39-46)
  - 16 Was Jesus Ever Let Down by His Friends?  
(Mark 14:71, John 13:38, 18:15-18, 25-27)
- \*Revision Lesson (Lesson Download)**



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## Unit 5: How Can I Be a Peacemaker?

**Theme:** Living God's Way

**Overview:** Unit 5 is a very different unit which has been developed through a partnership with PeaceWise. We all experience conflict and having biblical tools to deal with it leads to peace. Jesus lived a life filled with peace, and his followers have the hope that because Jesus paid the ultimate price we can have peace with God, and peace with each other.

**Aim:** To learn about peacemaking God's way and to be equipped with tools to be peacemakers for life.

**Lessons:**

- 17** What is Conflict and How Do I Respond? (2 Corinthians 5:17-21, 1 Corinthians 10:13)
- 18** How Do I Apologise for My Part? (Matthew 7:3-5, James 4:1-2)
- 19** How Do I Talk to the Other Person in a Conflict? (Galatians 6:1)
- 20** How Can We Fix Our Relationship? (2 Corinthians 5:17-21, Ephesians 4:32)



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## Unit 6: Daniel: An Example in Following God

**Theme:** God's People in the Old Testament

**Overview:** In this unit, students explore the example of Daniel and his friends. In a multicultural and multi-faith society, Daniel and his friends respectfully and faithfully follow God. Students will consider how these stories are given as an example to follow.

**Aim:** To introduce Daniel and his friends as examples of those who remained faithful to God during difficult times.

**Lessons:**

- 21** Trusting God (Daniel 1:1-21)
- 22** Standing Firm (Daniel 3:1-30)
- 23** Speaking the Truth (Daniel 5:1-31)
- 24** Sticking with God (Daniel 6:1-23; 25-28)
- \*Revision Lesson (Lesson Download)**



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## Unit 7: Questions About Prayer

**Theme:** Living God's Way

**Overview:** God invites us to talk with him (pray) - anywhere, anytime and about anything. This unit allows students to explore what prayer means to them and invites them to either begin talking with God or grow that practice, depending on where they are in their faith journey.

**Aim:** To teach students that they can pray anywhere, anytime and about anything. God listens to prayer and is right and loving in the ways he answers.

**Lessons:**

- 25** Why Pray? (Luke 18:9-14)
- 26** Praying Anywhere, Anytime (1 Samuel 24, Psalm 142)
- 27** Does God Listen to and Answer Prayer? (Luke 18:1-8)
- 28** Being Thankful (Philippians 4:6-7)



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## Unit 8: What Difference Does Jesus Make?

**Theme:** Jesus' Life and Lessons

**Overview:** This unit looks at the difference that Jesus' coming into the world made, and the difference that he makes in the lives of Christians today. Students will explore how Jesus saves and that he has brought joy and peace to the world that can be experienced today.

**Aim:** To encounter the Bible accounts of the birth of Jesus and discuss what difference it makes to life today.

**Lessons:**

- 29** Jesus Saves (Matthew 1:18-25)
- 30** Jesus Brings Joy (Luke 2:1-20)
- 31** Jesus Brings Hope (Luke 2:22-40)



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**Extra lessons:** These single lessons are available on the website only. We recommend incorporating them on or near celebrations organised by the school or local community. These include: Introductory Lesson, Easter Lesson, Peace in Every Situation and Revision Lessons. An ANZAC Day Lesson and Book Week Lesson from GodSpace Green are also available as a Download.