

Middle Kids are:

- asking serious questions about religion
- developing values
- learning about being truthful and honest
- · having difficulty making decisions
- beginning to feel the need for a Savior
- growing conscious of themselves and of sin
- wanting to do things the right way
- thinking in terms of right and wrong more than good and evil



GOD

- · God is holy.
- · God is Creator and worthy to be praised.
- · God is everywhere at all times.
- God knows what people need and desire but still expects them to pray.
- · God has concern and care for all people.
- God loves and values people around the world.
- God proved His unconditional love for people by sending Jesus.
- · God is worthy of worship.
- God deserves respect, obedience, and honor.
- · God is all-powerful and in control of all things.
- · God is faithful and just.
- · God is all-knowing.
- God has always been and always will be.
- God is God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit (the Trinity).

JESUS

- · Jesus was born of a virgin.
- God planned for Jesus to be the Savior from the beginning of time.
- · Jesus is fully God and fully man.
- · Jesus taught that worship is focused on God.
- · Jesus taught about faith, trust, and obedience to God.
- Jesus performed miracles through the power of God.
- · People can obey Jesus as a response to His love.
- · Jesus died to pay the penalty for sin.
- Jesus is the Messiah and Savior.
- · Jesus was human and resisted temptation.
- Jesus ascended to heaven but promised He would return one day.
- Jesus is eternal.

HOLY SPIRIT

- God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit are the Trinity.
- The Holy Spirit urges people to receive God's salvation.
- · The Holy Spirit is the Comforter.
- The Holy Spirit has worked and always will work in the world.
- The Holy Spirit helps Christians tell others about Jesus and God's plan.
- The Holy Spirit guided people to write God's words.
- · The Holy Spirit convicts people of sin.

BIBLE

- · The truths in the Bible will last forever.
- · The Bible is God's message about Himself.
- · God inspired people to know what to write in the Bible.
- The Bible teaches that Jesus died on a cross, was buried, and was raised from the dead for the forgiveness of sins.
- The Bible teaches how to live a Christian life.

SALVATION

- God provided a plan for salvation because He loves me.
- Salvation is the beginning of a growing relationship with Jesus that lasts forever. Through salvation, my sin is forgiven and the gift of eternal life with God begins.
- The punishment for sin is separation from God.
- Jesus died to pay the penalty for all my sins—past, present, and future.
- God's salvation is a gift that every person needs and can receive.
- When the Holy Spirit convicts me of my sin, I can turn away from my sin (repent) and trust Jesus as my personal Savior.

CREATION

- God spoke the world into existence from nothing.
- God created people in His image.
- · God's creation follows His plan.
- God wants people to take responsibility for taking care of His creation.
- God is still at work in His creation and cares what happens in it.
- God wants people to praise Him for His creation.
- God made people in His image to have a personal relationship with Him.

CHURCH

- A church is a group of Christians who meet together to worship and serve God.
- · Churches set apart people to do certain tasks.
- God uses the church to meet the needs of people in the community and around the world.
- · God wants people to gather to worship Him.
- In addition to money, offerings can include time, talents, and possessions.
- Communion is a way to remind people about what Jesus did. Christians participate in Communion as part of worship.
- Baptism shows that people have trusted Jesus as Lord & Savior.

PEOPLE

- · God created me in His image.
- Each person is unique and of value to God.
- · People are responsible for their choices.
- People can develop and use their abilities and talents in ways that please and honor God.
- God wants people to communicate with Him through praying and reading the Bible daily.
- People can follow the examples, teachings, and commands of Jesus.
- People can learn to love others as God loves them.
- · People can learn to respond in positive ways to what happens to them.
- · God wants every person to trust in Jesus as Savior and Lord.
- · People can learn about and recognize God's authority.
- People need to take care of their bodies and minds to honor God.
- God asks me to honor Him by choosing to do what is right and reject what is wrong.
- The Holy Spirit helps me know that when I have hurt others, I can ask them to forgive me.
- God wants people to have pure thoughts and actions.
- God wants believers to be disciples who grow in their faith and knowledge of Jesus.

FAMILY

- God's plan for mothers and fathers is to teach their children about God. Parents are examples of how God is our heavenly Father.
- God's plan is for all family members to work together so that God is honored by their family.
- God expects children to honor Him in the way they honor their parents.
- God wants families to worship together to help them grow stronger in their faith.
- In a wedding ceremony, a man and a woman make promises to God, to each other, and to all those present to be committed to each other through good and bad times.
- God loves families even when family members sin. God is always ready to forgive.

COMMUNITY & WORLD

- Even before they are born, people are special to God.
- God works through people to do work in their communities and world.
- All Christians are called to be on mission with God.
- · People can pray for specific needs of others.
- God tells me to connect with others and show them His love.
- Missionaries are Christians called by God to tell another group of people the good news about Jesus.

