



**Unit 12**  
**Bible Truth 10 Resources**

## **BIBLE TRUTH 10 OVERVIEW**

### **Unit 12: God's People Live for Him**

**Big Question and Answer:** "How Should God's People Live Each Day? They Should Live Like Jesus!"

**Bible Verse:** "Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." Ephesians 5:1-2

### **Bible Truth 10 Concept: God's People Say "No" to Temptation**

Temptation is thinking about doing something wrong. It isn't wrong to be tempted, but it is wrong to say "yes" to temptation and go ahead and do what you are tempted to do. That is sinning. All of God's people are tempted to do wrong. Sin in their hearts whispers to them to disobey God. Sin in the world around them looks attractive to them. Even Satan works to tempt God's people to forget God's good ways and to sin. Jesus, God's very own Son, was tempted to sin in every way as we are, but He never sinned. Sometimes Often it's very hard to say "no" to temptation. God promises to always provide His people a way out of temptation without sinning. He gives them His Word to remind them of Himself, His good commands and His power to help them. He gives them the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts and help them to turn away from tempting sin. But even when God's people do give into temptation and sin, He graciously forgives them through Jesus. Praise God for being so merciful!

### **Bible Truth 10 Bible Verse**

#### ***Meditation Version: 1 Corinthians 10:13***

"No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful: He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out, so you can stand up under it."

#### ***Alternate Memory Version: 1 Corinthians 10:13***

"He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out, so you can stand up under it."

### **Bible Truth 10 ACTS Prayer**

- A** Praise God for being so Merciful that He never allows His people to be tempted more than they can bear.
- C** Confess that many times we give into temptation instead of asking for God's help and looking for His way out of it. We need a Savior to save us from our sins!
- T** Thank God for His promise to always show His people a way out of the temptation to sin. Thank God for sending Jesus to take the punishment for sins of His people, all those who would ever turn away from their sins and trust in Him as their own Savior.
- S** Ask God to work in our hearts that we might turn away from sin and trust Jesus as our own Savior. Ask God to help us to understand how much He hates sin and help us to resist temptations that we wouldn't sin against Him. Ask Him to fill us with the Holy Spirit who can help us say "no" to sin.

### **Bible Truth 10 Stories**

#### **Lesson 1: The Case of the Handsome No Man (Old Testament)**

Genesis 37,39,45,50

#### **Lesson 2: The Case of the Courageous Couple (Story of the Saints)**

#### **Lesson 3: The Case of the Tricky Givers (New Testament)**

Acts 4:32-5:14

**1. GETTING STARTED: Welcome and Opening Songs** (*introduce unit and get kids moving with these songs*)

<p><b>Welcome</b></p>	<p>“Welcome to Praise Factory. We’re so glad you’ve joined us! Here at the PFI we are investigators. (That’s what the “I” stands for!) Investigators look for answers to questions. In PFI, we look for answers to big questions about God. We dig deep down in the truths of God’s Word to find them.”</p>
<p><b>Praise Factory Theme Song</b></p>	<p>“Let’s sing our Praise Factory Investigator’s theme song.”</p> <p><b>PFI: Praise Factory Investigators</b> <span style="float: right;"><i>PFI NIV Songs 12, Track 1</i></span></p> <p>We’re PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, That’s PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, We’re looking for answers to very big questions, Big questions about God, If you’re looking for answers to very big questions ‘bout God, come along, Join PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, That’s PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word. Deep down, diggin’ down, Let’s go diggin’ down, Deep down, diggin’ down, ‘Til answers to all our Big Questions we’ve found. We’re PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, That’s PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word.</p>
<p><b>Classroom Rules Song</b></p>	<p>An important part of Praise Factory is helping us worship God and love one another. Our WoGoLOA song reminds us how we should act. Let’s sing it.”</p> <p><b>WoGoLOA Rules Song</b> <span style="float: right;"><i>PFI NIV Songs 12, Track 2</i></span></p> <p>Refrain: WoGoLOA means “Worship God and love one another,” WoGoLOA means “Worship God and love one another.”</p> <p>WoGo means “Worship God.” Sound off, 1,2,3, Joyfully take part, Listen to others, Obey your teachers. (<i>Refrain</i>)</p> <p>LOA means “Love One Another.” Sound off, 1,2,3, Be kind, Be encouraging, Help others, help others. (<i>Refrain twice</i>)</p>

**1. GETTING STARTED, continued**

<b>Opening Prayer</b>	"Let's ask God to help us obey these rules, and to help us worship Him and love one another as we learn more about Him today. Let's pray." <i>Pray.</i>
<b>Big Question Under Investigation:</b>  <b>Big Question 12 and Songs</b>	<p>"Now it's time to turn today's <b>Big Question Under Investigation</b>.</p> <p>It's: <b>How Should God's People Live?</b></p> <p>We become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. That is the end of the punishment for our sins that we deserved from God, but it's the beginning of a whole new way to live. God's people want to honor God with their whole lives like Jesus did. They seek to love God most of all and love all people, too.</p> <p>So the answer to our Big Question, '<b>How Should God's People Live?</b> is: <b>They Should Live Like Jesus!</b></p> <p>"Let's sing our Big Question Song(s): <span style="float: right;"><i>choose one or both</i></span></p> <p><b>Big Q &amp; A 12 Song</b> <span style="float: right;"><i>PFI NIV Songs 12, Track 3</i></span>  <i>(adapted version of "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star")</i>  How should God's people live each day?  They should live like Jesus!  How should God's people live each day?  How should God's people live each day?  How should God's people live each day?  They should live like Jesus!</p> <p><b>How Should God's People Live?</b> <span style="float: right;"><i>PFI NIV Songs 12, Track 4</i></span></p> <p><i>Refrain:</i>  How should God's people live?  How should God's people live?  How should God's people live?  They should live like Jesus!</p> <p>Verse 1:  Jesus loved God most of all,  He loved all people, too,  In all that He did and said and thought,  He loved them thru and thru. <i>(Refrain)</i></p> <p>Verse 2:  God's people should love God most of all,  They should love others, too,  And God the Holy Spirit,  Will help them in all they do. <i>(Refrain)</i></p>

**1. GETTING STARTED, continued****Unit 12  
Bible Verse**

"How do I know this is true? The Bible tells me so!

Ephesians 5:1-2 tells us: ""Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."

**Big Question 12 Bible Verse Song  
Live a Life of Love: Ephesians 5:2**

*PFI NIV Songs 12, Track 5*

Live a life of love just as Christ loved you.  
Live a life of love just as Christ loved you.  
Live a life of love, Live a life of love,  
Live a life of love,  
Just as Christ loved you.  
Ephesians Five, Two. O-le!

God's people have been loved by God through Jesus Christ in the deepest way imaginable. What more could He have done than to offer up His life as the full payment for their sins so they could be God's people. The Bible tells us that He did this even while we were still His enemies. He loved us before we loved Him! But Jesus did this not just because of His love for God's people, but even more so, for His love for God, His Father. He always delighted to do whatever His Father wanted Him to do. God calls His people to live like Jesus, loving others and loving Him, in everything they do. God promises to help them to live this way.

**2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN: Key Concept and Story** (*introduce the Bible Truth and tell the related story*)**Bible Truth 10**

"It's time for us to dig down deeper for answers to our Big Question. We're learning **FOURTEEN** Bible Truths that all tell us something about how God's people live. We have learned some already. Can you remember any of them? (God's People Grow to Be More Like Jesus; God's People Love Him with All of Themselves; God's People Love Others; God's People Trust Him; God's People Are Good Stewards of His Gifts; God's People Obey Him; God's People Do Good Works God Has Prepared for Them; God's People Read His Word, the Bible; and, God's People Think about Him.)

The Bible Truth we are going to be thinking about today is:

**God's People Say "No" to Temptation**

Temptation is thinking about doing something wrong. It isn't wrong to be tempted, but it is wrong to say "yes" to temptation and go ahead and do what you are tempted to do. That is sinning. All of God's people are tempted to do wrong. Sin in their hearts whispers to them to disobey God. Sin in the world around them looks attractive to them. Even Satan works to tempt God's people to forget God's good ways and to sin. Jesus, God's very own Son, was tempted to sin in every way as we are, but He never sinned. Sometimes it's very hard to say "no" to temptation. God promises to always provide His people a way out of temptation without sinning. He gives them His Word to remind them of Himself, His good commands and His power to help them. He gives them the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts and help them to turn away from tempting sin. But even when God's people do give into temptation and sin, He graciously forgives them through Jesus. Praise God for being so merciful!

**2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued****Bible Truth  
10  
Hymn**

Long ago, a man named William Walford was thinking about this Bible truth, too. He wrote the words to a hymn called "Sweet Hour of Prayer." We're going to learn a verse from it.

**Sweet Hour of Prayer***PFI NIV Songs 12, Track 29***Verse 1**

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
That calls me from a world of care  
And bids me at my Father's throne  
Make all my wants and wishes known!  
In seasons of distress and grief,  
My soul has often found relief,  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare  
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

God's people know that they don't have the strength to face the hard things of this world alone. Many sad things, many scary things, many tempting things may come their way. When they do, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. The temptation to turn away from God and do things their own way may be strong. But, God's people know who to go to receive the strength they need. They pray to their Heavenly Father who loves them so much! They tell Him all their problems. They ask for His help. He comforts them and gives them what they need to keep trusting in Him and to turn away from the temptation to sin.

**Bible Truth  
10  
Bible Verse  
and Song**

"The Bible verse we are going to be digging down into for this Bible Truth is:

**1 Corinthians 10:13**

"No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful: He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out, so you can stand up under it."

This verse reminds us that while God's people will face temptations every day, but they can be encouraged that they can always say "no" to them, because He will never let them be tempted more than they can bear; and, He promises to provide a way out, so they can stand up under them.

We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!

**No Temptation Has Seized You***PFI NIV Songs 12, Track 30*

Refrain:

No temptation has seized you  
except what is common to man.  
And God is faithful,  
He will not let you be tempted  
beyond what you can bear.

But when you are tempted He'll also provide,  
Also provide a way out.  
Yes, when you are tempted he'll also provide,  
A way out so you can stand up under it. *Refrain*

First Corinthians Chapter Ten, verse thirteen.

**2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued****LESSON 1 STORY****Old Testament Story:****The Case of the Handsome "No" Man**

Genesis 37,39,45,50

"Now it's time for today's story called: **The Case of the Handsome No Man.**

**As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:**

- 1. Who was the handsome "no" man?**
- 2. What made him a "no" man? Who helped him be a "no" man?**

*(If desired, write these questions on a sheet of paper to refer to when the story is finished.)*

*Read story.*

*After reading story, ask for the children's answers to the questions.*

- 1. Who was the handsome "no" man?** Joseph.
- 2. What made him a "no" man? Who helped him be a "no" man?** He always tried to say "no" to temptation. The LORD helped Joseph be a "no" man by giving him strength and providing a way out of each temptation so he could stand up under it.

*Close in prayer. (prayer suggestions included at end of story)*

**LESSON 2 STORY****Story of the Saints:****The Case of the Courageous Couple**

"Now it's time for today's story called: **The Case of the Courageous Couple.**"

**As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:**

**Case Questions**

- 1. Who were the courageous couple?**
- 2. Who helped them be courageous? What temptations did they have to fight?**

*(If desired, write these questions on a sheet of paper to refer to when the story is finished.)*

*Read story.*

*After reading story, ask for the children's answers to the questions.*

**Case Questions**

- 1. Who were the courageous couple?**

John and Betty Stam.

- 2. Who helped them be courageous? What temptations did they have to fight?**

God helped them, by His Holy Spirit, to be courageous. They had to fight the temptation to be afraid of what might happen to them if they went to China...and while they lived in China.

*Close in prayer. (prayer suggestions included at end of story)*

**2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued****LESSON 3****New Testament Story:**

**The Case of the Tricky Givers**  
Acts 4:32-5:14

Now it's time for today's story called: **The Case of the Tricky Givers.**

**As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:**

- 1. Who were the Tricky Givers?**
- 2. How were they tricky? What temptation did they give in to that made them tricky...and how could they have avoided giving into it? Why did God punish them the way that He did?**

*(If desired, write these questions on a sheet of paper to refer to when the story is finished.)  
Read story. After reading story, ask for the children's answers to the questions.*

- 1. Who were the Tricky Givers?** Ananias and Sapphira.
- 2. How were they tricky? What temptation did they give in to that made them tricky...and how could they have avoided giving into it? Why did God punish them the way that He did?** They were tricky because they acted like they gave the church all the money they made on the sale of their land, instead of just part of it. They gave into the temptation of wanting the honor of others more than being honest before God. They could have cried out to God and asked for Him to show them the way out of their temptation. In the early days of the church, God many times acted in big ways of blessing and of punishment that He rarely chooses to act in today. One reason He did this was to provide special encouragement to grow and to discipline His church in the especially early days as it was being formed.

*Close in prayer. (prayer suggestions included at end of story)*

**3. TAKING ACTION: Response Activities** *(choose from among these activities)***Response Activities**

- **ACTS Prayer Activity:** Add your own prayer requests to the ACTS prayer
- **Sneaky Snack:** Story-related snack
- **Bible Truth Review Activity:** Game with questions related to the Bible Truth
- **Bible Truth Hymn:** Music activities to learn a portion of a Bible Truth-related hymn
- **Bible Verse Review Activity:** Game with questions related to Bible Truth Bible verse
- **Bible Verse Song:** Music activities to learn the Bible Verse song
- **Story Review Activity:** Game with questions related to the Bible Truth and Case
- **Case RePlay, Jr. and Sr.:** Two drama activities that review the story: one for younger children, one for older children.
- **Craft:** Story-related craft
- **VIPP (Very Important Prayer Person):** Game and a coloring activity to help children learn about people in your church and how to pray for them.  
*(VIP resources: found online or at back of this book)*

**4. TAKING IT TO OTHERS** *Optional presentations for the last few minutes of class***Presenting to Other Children**

*If you split the children into different response activities, you can gather the children together again and have each small group make presentations to show the other children what they learned. Presentation ideas are included in the resources for each activity.*

**Presenting to Parents**

*If you keep your children together for response activities, you can have them make a presentation of something they have learned to their parents when they come to pick them up from class. Presentation ideas are included in the resources for each activity.*

**5. TAKING IT HOME** *(Take Home Sheet)***PFI Pronto**

*Give out the PFI Pronto for the case story as well as any other materials as the children are dismissed.*