

# Way Truth Life

A Children's Ministry  
Resource

**FAMILY WORSHIP ACTIVITIES**

# HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

These simple activities are designed to help keep little hands busy while simultaneously engaging their brains and hearts in the service and in the sermon text. This component is multifaceted for the sake of flexibility based on context.

## IN ADULT WORSHIP

If used *during adult worship*, you may want to focus the child(ren) on quiet crafting and ignore the discussion prompts (or save the prompts for after-church conversations, perhaps on the car ride home).

## IN CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

If used *during children's church*, you may want to use everything or pick and choose elements that fit naturally with the flow of your children's service.

## AS TAKE-HOME ACTIVITIES

Or, maybe these are activities and discussions you want to engage at home as a family, either around the Sunday dinner table or throughout the week to keep the ideas fresh in kids' minds.

# Week 1:

# Amazing Grace

**Scripture:** *John 1:35-42*

## **Supplies Needed**

- Bible
- Clipboard or something to write on
- Paper and Crayons
- Cube Handout
- Scissors
- Tape

## **Try This**

Use your crayons to draw a picture of a time someone gave you a second chance at something.

## **Try This**

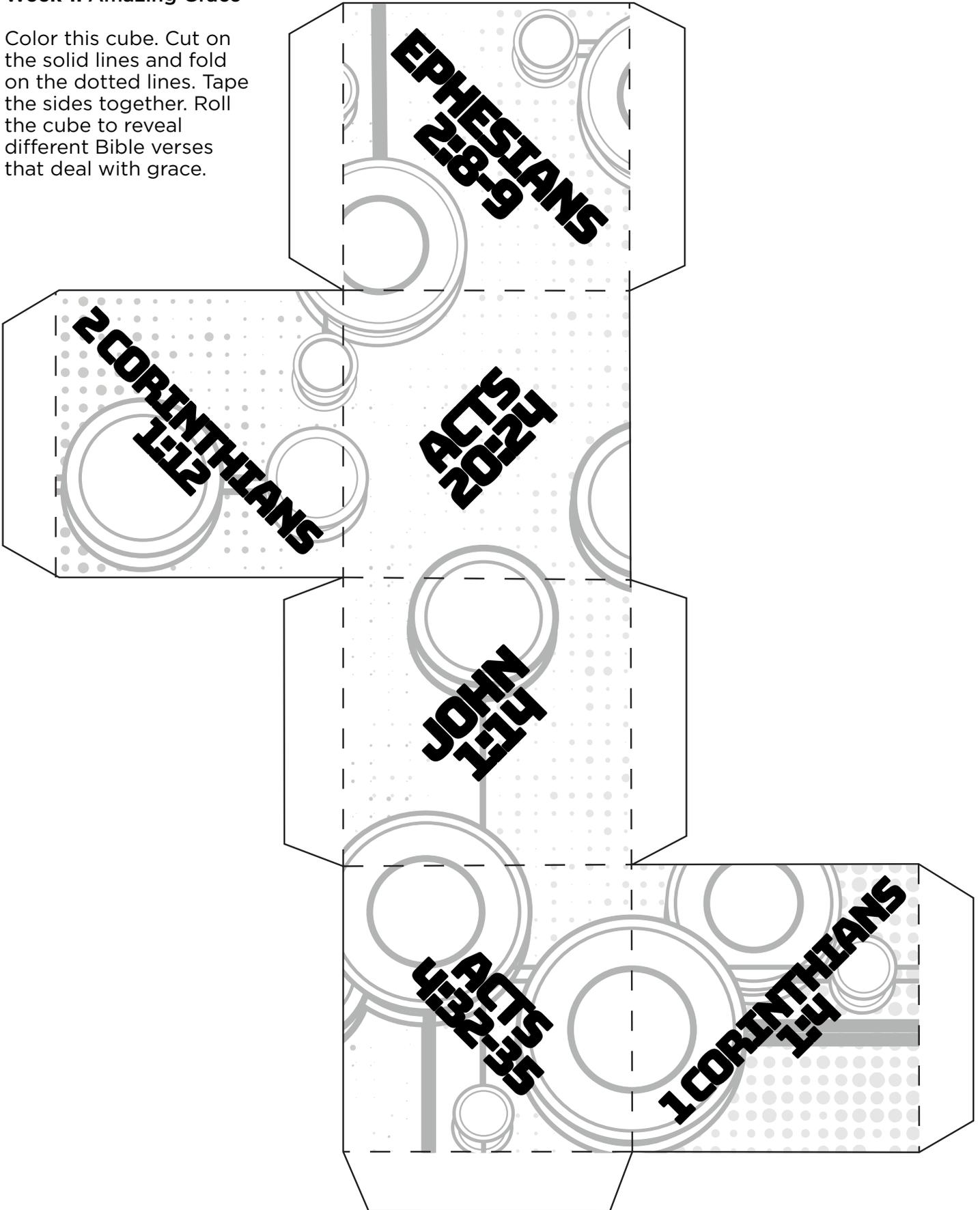
Many of our worship spaces have an altar. An altar is often a table or large wooden box that communion is served on and sometimes a Bible is placed on top of. (Altars can also be used as a place to pray.) Altars are a symbol of the sacrifice that Jesus made for all of us! This is a symbol of the GRACE he gives to us! Look around the space you are worshiping in today. Draw a picture of the altar and any other symbols of grace you see around you.

## **Try This**

Use crayons to color the cube below. Then cut it out and assemble it by following the instructions. After it is assembled, roll the cube to reveal a different Bible verse that deals with grace. Look up that verse and see if you can find grace in the passage.

## Week 1: Amazing Grace

Color this cube. Cut on the solid lines and fold on the dotted lines. Tape the sides together. Roll the cube to reveal different Bible verses that deal with grace.



# Week 2:

# Seeking Grace

**Scripture:** Acts 10:1-48

## Supplies Needed

- Bible
- Clipboard or something to write on
- Paper
- Crayons
- A few figurines (animals, people, piece of cloth, etc.)

## Try This

In Leviticus 11 is a list of the animals God told his people are “unclean to eat.” Here’s a list of some of those animals:

Camel	Pig	Owl	Lizard
Rabbit	Eagle	Bat	Snake

Draw a picture of some of these animals. After you have drawn them, remember God’s words to Peter, “Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.”

How can you show love to all people?

## Try This

Peter was reminded today that God loves all people, and so should we. Is there someone in your life that you need to do a better job of showing love and kindness?

Write out a note to someone that you think needs to be reminded that Jesus loves them! Go with a trusted adult to deliver the note to them after church.

## Try This

Use the figurines and the cloth to create a scene from Acts 10.

How do you think it felt to be Peter? How about Cornelius? What would it have been like to sit in the same room and watch what happened?

# Week 3:

# Saving Grace

**Scripture:** *Luke 18:35—19:10*

## **Supplies Needed**

- Bible
- Clipboard or something to write on
- Paper
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Tape
- Bracelet template handout

## **Try This**

Draw a tree, Zacchaeus, and Jesus on the piece of paper. Cut them out and quietly recreate the story.

## **Try This**

Cut out one of the bracelets on the handout and color in the words, “Grace Squad.” Tape it together and have an adult help you put it on your wrist. Wear this as a reminder that God’s grace saves you!

## **Try This**

Close your eyes. Think about the blind beggar from the story you heard today. Open them slowly. Think about the faith the beggar had, and the grace Jesus showed him. Close your eyes again. When you open them, pray that you will have faith to believe in God’s grace.

Imagine yourself climbing the tree like Zacchaeus. How tall is the tree? What else do you see? How did you feel when you saw Jesus? Now imagine what it felt like for Zacchaeus to change his way of living.

Jesus wanted to save Zacchaeus and the blind beggar, and after he did they both had amazing reactions! The steps God took to save them were different, but both were very important!

**Week 3: Saving Grace**  
Color the bracelet you like the best. Then cut it out and tape it around your wrist.

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# Week 4:

# Sanctifying Grace

**Scripture:** Acts 1:6-14; 2:17

## Supplies Needed

- Bible
- Clipboard or something to write on
- Paper
- Crayons
- Modeling clay or Play-Doh

## Try This

What does grace mean to you? Draw a symbol that you think best represents grace! Remember our definition of grace: **Kindness that we can't earn and don't deserve.**

## Try This

Use modeling clay or Play-Doh to recreate a special part of this week's story.

- Why did this part of the story stick out to you?
- What does this mean to you?

## Try This

Look up the Fruit of the Spirit in your Bible (Galatians 5:22-23). Write down the Fruit of the Spirit. Circle 2-3 that you want to work on this week. What does it look like for someone to have the Fruit of the Spirit in their life?

# Week 5:

# Sustaining Grace

**Scripture:** Acts 2:42-47

## *Supplies Needed*

- Bible
- Clipboard or something to write on
- Paper
- Crayons
- Modeling clay or Play-Doh

## *Try This*

What does a disciple of Jesus (someone who has accepted the grace of God and is following him) look like? What do they say? How do they act? How do they react to life's difficulties? How does God help them? Write out your answers.

## *Try This*

Use modeling clay or Play-Doh to create what you think the first church must have looked like. If you need some help with ideas, look up what the church did together: Acts 2:42-47.

## *Try This*

Using your paper and crayons, create a mural picture of Christians around the world! We all come together to make up the church.

# Week 6:

# Sufficient Grace

**Scriptures:** 2 Corinthians 12:6-10; Genesis 50:15-21

## Supplies Needed

- Bible
- Clipboard or something to write on
- Modeling clay or Play-Doh
- Paper
- Crayons
- Scissors

## Try This

Use modeling clay or Play-Doh to create something that reminds you of a time when you needed help and God stepped in! Remember that God is with us and will carry us.

## Try This

Draw a picture of someone being held up in the air.

- What does it feel like to be picked up and held?
- How did Paul describe it when God held him up?

## Try This

Read 2 Corinthians 12:10. Use your scissors to cut out shapes that remind you of these words: **weakness, hardship, insults, persecution, strength, Christ.**

Paul is boasting (talking proudly) about his weakness so Christ will be lifted up.

- Where do you need Christ's grace?
- Why would Paul be glad when he is weak?