

# Scope and Sequence

## Standard Lesson Commentary/ Standard Lesson Quarterly

2013–2014

2014–2015

# LESSON CYCLE CHART

*International Sunday School Lesson Cycle, September 2010—August 2016*

Year	Fall Quarter (Sep, Oct, Nov)	Winter Quarter (Dec, Jan, Feb)	Spring Quarter (Mar, Apr, May)	Summer Quarter (Jun, Jul, Aug)
2010-2011	<b>The Inescapable God</b> (Exodus, Psalms)	<b>Assuring Hope</b> (Isaiah, Matthew, Mark)	<b>We Worship God</b> (Matthew, Mark, Philippians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Jude, Revelation)	<b>God Instructs His People</b> (Joshua, Judges, Ruth)
2011-2012	<b>Tradition and Wisdom</b> (Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Matthew)	<b>God Establishes a Faithful People</b> (Genesis, Exodus, Luke, Galatians)	<b>God's Creative Word</b> (John)	<b>God Calls for Justice</b> (Pentateuch, History, Psalms, Prophets)
2012-2013	<b>A Living Faith</b> (Psalms, Acts, 1 Corinthians, Hebrews)	<b>Jesus Is Lord</b> (John, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians)	<b>Undying Hope</b> (Daniel, Luke, Acts, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Peter)	<b>God's People Worship</b> (Isaiah, Ezra, Nehemiah)
2013-2014	<b>First Things</b> (Genesis, Exodus, Psalms)	<b>Jesus and the Just Reign of God</b> (Luke, James)	<b>Jesus' Fulfillment of Scripture</b> (Pentateuch, 2 Samuel, Psalms, Prophets, Gospels, Acts, Revelation)	<b>The People of God Set Priorities</b> (Haggai, Zechariah, 1 & 2 Corinthians)
2014-2015	<b>Sustaining Hope</b> (Psalms, Job, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Habakkuk)	<b>Acts of Worship</b> (Psalms, Matthew, Luke, John, Ephesians, Hebrews, James)	<b>The Spirit Comes</b> (Mark, John, Acts, 1 Corinthians, 1, 2, & 3 John)	<b>God's Prophets Demand Justice</b> (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Amos, Micah, Zechariah, Malachi)
2015-2016	<b>The Christian Community Comes Alive</b> (Acts)	<b>Sacred Gifts and Holy Gatherings</b> (Pentateuch, Song of Solomon/Songs, Hosea, Micah, Gospels)	<b>The Gift of Faith</b> (Mark, Luke)	<b>Toward a New Creation</b> (Zephaniah, Romans)

"God"	"Hope"	"Worship"	"Community"	"Tradition"	"Faith"	"Creation"	"Justice"
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# Fall 2013: First Things

## Unit 1: First Days

September 1	God Creates . . . . .	<i>Psalm 104:5-9, 24-3</i>
September 8	God's Image: Male and Female . . . . .	<i>Genesis 2:18-25</i>
September 15	Knowledge of Good and Evil . . . . .	<i>Genesis 3:8-17, 21, 23</i>
September 22	An Everlasting Covenant . . . . .	<i>Genesis 9:1, 3-6, 8-17</i>
September 29	God Scatters the Nations . . . . .	<i>Genesis 11:1-9</i>

## Unit 2: First Nation

October 6	The Promise of a Future . . . . .	<i>Genesis 15:5-21</i>
October 13	A Promise to Sarah. . . . .	<i>Genesis 17:15-17; 18:9-15; 21:1-7</i>
October 20	Blessings for Ishmael and Isaac. . . . .	<i>Genesis 21:12-14, 17-21; 26:2-5, 12, 13</i>
October 27	The Blessing Passes to Jacob . . . . .	<i>Genesis 28:1a, 10-22</i>

## Unit 3: First Freedom

November 3	God Prepares for Deliverance. . . . .	<i>Exodus 3:7-17</i>
November 10	Beginning of Passover. . . . .	<i>Exodus 12:1-14</i>
November 17	Beginning of Freedom . . . . .	<i>Exodus 14:13, 14, 21-30</i>
November 24	Beginning of the Tabernacle. . . . .	<i>Exodus 40:16-30, 34, 38</i>

# Winter 2013–2014: Jesus and the Just Reign of God

## Unit 1: God Sends Jesus

December 1	The Angel Foretells Jesus' Birth . . . . .	<i>Luke 1:26-40</i>
December 8	Mary Sings Her Praise . . . . .	<i>Luke 1:46-56</i>
December 15	Zacharias Prophesies About His Son, John. . . . .	<i>Luke 1:57, 58, 67-79</i>
December 22	Jesus Is Born. . . . .	<i>Luke 2:1-17</i>
December 29	Jesus Is Presented in the Temple. . . . .	<i>Luke 2:21, 22, 25-38</i>

## Unit 2: Jesus Ushers in the Reign of God

January 5	Honoring the Sabbath . . . . .	<i>Luke 6:1-11</i>
January 12	Living as God's People . . . . .	<i>Luke 6:12, 13, 17-31</i>
January 19	Enlarging Your Circle. . . . .	<i>Luke 14:7-18a, 21-24</i>
January 26	Showing Compassion for the Poor . . . . .	<i>Luke 16:19-31</i>

## Unit 3: Live Justly in the Reign of God

February 2	Hear and Do the Word . . . . .	<i>James 1:19-27</i>
February 9	Treat Everyone Equally . . . . .	<i>James 2:1-13</i>
February 16	Show Your Faith by Your Works. . . . .	<i>James 2:14-26</i>
February 23	Control Your Speech . . . . .	<i>James 3:1-12</i>

# Spring 2014: Jesus' Fulfillment of Scripture

## Unit 1: Jesus and the Davidic Covenant

March 2	An Eternal Kingdom . . . . .	<i>2 Samuel 7:4-16</i>
March 9	Son of David . . . . .	<i>Psalm 89:35-37; Isaiah 9:6, 7; Matthew 1:18-23</i>
March 16	Peter's Report . . . . .	<i>Psalm 110:1-4; Acts 2:22-27, 29-32</i>
March 23	Worthy Is the Lamb . . . . .	<i>Revelation 5:5-13</i>

## Unit 2: What the Prophets Foretold

March 30	Triumphant and Victorious . . . . .	<i>Zechariah 9:9, 10; Matthew 21:1-11</i>
April 6	Jesus Cleanses the Temple . . . . .	<i>Isaiah 56:6, 7; Jeremiah 7:9-11; Mark 11:15-19</i>
April 13	A Messianic Priest-King . . . . .	<i>Jeremiah 23:5, 6; Zechariah 6:9-15; John 19:1-5</i>
April 20	The Third Day . . . . .	<i>Hosea 6:1-3; Luke 24:1-12</i>
April 27	From Suffering to Glory . . . . .	<i>Isaiah 53:3-8; Luke 24:25-27, 44-47</i>

## Unit 3: Jesus' Use of Scripture

May 4	Jesus Resists Temptation. . . . .	<i>Deuteronomy 6:13-16; Matthew 4:1-11</i>
May 11	Jesus' Mission on Earth . . . . .	<i>Isaiah 61:1-3; Luke 4:14-21</i>
May 18	Jesus' Teaching on the Law . . . . .	<i>Matthew 15:1-11, 15-20</i>
May 25	The Greatest Commandment . . . . .	<i>Lev. 19:18; Deut. 6:4-9; Mark 12:28-34</i>

# Summer 2014: The People of God Set Priorities

## Unit 1: Hope and Confidence Come from God

June 1	Obey the Lord . . . . .	<i>Haggai 1:1-11</i>
June 8	Trust God's Promises . . . . .	<i>Haggai 1:12-2:9</i>
June 15	Live Pure Lives . . . . .	<i>Haggai 2:10-19</i>
June 22	Hope for a New Day . . . . .	<i>Haggai 2:23; Zechariah 4:1-3, 6-14</i>

## Unit 2: Living as a Community of Believers

June 29	Pursue Unity in Christ . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 1:10-17; 3:4-9</i>
July 6	Glorify God with Your Body . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 6:12-20</i>
July 13	Exercise Freedom with Caution . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 8</i>
July 20	Overcome Temptation . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 10:6-22</i>
July 27	Seek the Good of Others . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 14:13-26</i>

## Unit 3: Bearing One Another's Burdens

August 3	Comfort in Times of Trouble . . . . .	<i>2 Corinthians 1:3-11</i>
August 10	Forgiveness and Restoration . . . . .	<i>2 Corinthians 1:23-2:11</i>
August 17	Treasure in Earthen Vessels . . . . .	<i>2 Corinthians 4:1-15</i>
August 24	An Appeal for Reconciliation . . . . .	<i>2 Corinthians 6:1-13; 7:1-4</i>
August 31	Generosity in the Midst of Poverty . . . . .	<i>2 Corinthians 8:1-14</i>

# Fall 2014: Sustaining Hope

## Unit 1: The Days Are Surely Coming

September 7	A Vision of the Future . . . . .	<i>Jeremiah 30:1-3, 18-22</i>
September 14	Hope for the Future . . . . .	<i>Jeremiah 31:31-37</i>
September 21	Anticipation of a New Future . . . . .	<i>Jeremiah 32:1-9, 14, 15</i>
September 28	Future Peace and Joy . . . . .	<i>Jeremiah 33:1-11</i>

## Unit 2: Dark Nights of the Soul

October 5	Yet I Will Rejoice . . . . .	<i>Habakkuk 2:1-5; 3:17-19</i>
October 12	I Know That My Redeemer Liveth . . . . .	<i>Job 19:1-7, 23-29</i>
October 19	I Will Call on God . . . . .	<i>Job 24:1, 9-12, 19-25</i>
October 26	Things Too Wonderful for Me . . . . .	<i>Job 42:1-10</i>

## Unit 3: Visions of Grandeur

November 2	God's Glory Fills the Temple . . . . .	<i>Ezekiel 43:1-12</i>
November 9	The Altar Offers Hope . . . . .	<i>Ezekiel 43:13-21</i>
November 16	Water from the Sanctuary Gives Life . . . . .	<i>Ezekiel 47:1-12</i>
November 23	Inheritance Marks a New Beginning . . . . .	<i>Ezekiel 47:13-23</i>
November 30	Good News Brings Rejoicing . . . . .	<i>Isaiah 52:1, 2, 7-12</i>

# Winter 2014–2015: Acts of Worship

## Unit 1: In Awe of God

December 7	Worship Christ's Majesty . . . . .	<i>Hebrews 1:1-9</i>
December 14	Make a Joyful Noise . . . . .	<i>Psalms 95:1-7a</i>
December 21	Give Glory to God . . . . .	<i>Luke 2:8-20</i>
December 28	Worship God's Son . . . . .	<i>Matthew 14:22-36</i>

## Unit 2: Learning to Pray

January 4	Jesus' Model for Prayer . . . . .	<i>Luke 11:1-13</i>
January 11	Jesus' Prayer for His Disciples . . . . .	<i>John 17:6-21</i>
January 18	Jesus' Intercession for Us . . . . .	<i>Hebrews 4:14–5:10</i>
January 25	Powerful Prayer . . . . .	<i>James 5:13-18</i>

## Unit 3: Stewardship for Life

February 1	Feasting and Fasting . . . . .	<i>Daniel 1:5, 8-17; Matthew 6:16-18</i>
February 8	Serving Neighbors, Serving God . . . . .	<i>Luke 10:25-37</i>
February 15	Serving the Least . . . . .	<i>Matthew 25:31-46</i>
February 22	Clothed and Ready . . . . .	<i>Ephesians 6:10-20</i>

# Spring 2015: The Spirit Comes

## Unit 1: The Pledge of God's Presence

March 1	The Lamb of God . . . . .	<i>John 1:29-34</i>
March 8	Another Comforter/Advocate . . . . .	<i>John 14:15-26</i>
March 15	The Spirit of Truth . . . . .	<i>John 16:4b-15</i>
March 22	The Spirit of Peace . . . . .	<i>John 20:19-23</i>
March 29	The Son of David . . . . .	<i>Mark 11:1-11</i>

## Unit 2: The Community of Beloved Disciples

April 5	Believe in the Resurrection . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 15:1-11, 20-22</i>
April 12	Love One Another . . . . .	<i>1 John 3:11-24</i>
April 19	Trust in God's Love . . . . .	<i>1 John 4:13-5:5</i>
April 26	Watch Out for Deceivers . . . . .	<i>2 John</i>
May 3	Work Together for the Truth . . . . .	<i>3 John</i>

## Unit 3: One in the Bond of Love

May 10	Gifts of the Spirit . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 12:1-11</i>
May 17	One Body; Many Members . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 12:12-31</i>
May 24	Gift of Languages . . . . .	<i>Acts 2:1-7, 12; 1 Corinthians 14:13-19</i>
May 31	The Greatest Is Love . . . . .	<i>1 Corinthians 13</i>

# Summer 2015: God's Prophets Demand Justice

## Unit 1: Amos Rails Against Injustice

June 7	God Passes Judgment . . . . .	<i>Amos 2:4-8</i>
June 14	God Is Not Fooled . . . . .	<i>Amos 5:14, 15, 18-27</i>
June 21	God Abhors Selfishness . . . . .	<i>Amos 6:4-8, 11-14</i>
June 28	God Will Never Forget . . . . .	<i>Amos 8:1-6, 9, 10</i>

## Unit 2: Micah Calls for Justice Among Unjust People

July 5	No Rest for the Wicked . . . . .	<i>Micah 2:4-11</i>
July 12	No Tolerance for Corrupt Officials . . . . .	<i>Micah 3:5-12</i>
July 19	What the Lord Requires . . . . .	<i>Micah 6:3-8</i>
July 26	God's Matchless Mercy . . . . .	<i>Micah 7:14-20</i>

## Unit 3: Advocates of Justice for All

August 2	A Redeemer in Zion . . . . .	<i>Isaiah 59:15-21</i>
August 9	A Choice to Be Just . . . . .	<i>Jeremiah 7:1-15</i>
August 16	A Call for Repentance . . . . .	<i>Ezekiel 18:1-13, 30-32</i>
August 23	A Demand for Justice . . . . .	<i>Zechariah 7:8-14</i>
August 30	A Plea to Return to God . . . . .	<i>Malachi 3:1-10</i>



