



Learning About the Bible

Teaching Plan

Teaching Tips

Ahead of introducing *Learning about the Bible* to the children, take time to familiarize yourself with contents. Review this handout and how it correlates to the children's resource.

The resource is designed for children to interact with. Have the children follow along as you read aloud, and engage them in hands-on interaction with the resource, as suggested in the teaching steps below.

Background

The Bible, also called Sacred Scripture (or simply Scripture), is the written record of God's loving action in the world. Its divine author is God himself—as well as the many human authors who were inspired by the Holy Spirit to use their own words and expressions in sharing God's revelation and truth. Thus we say that the Bible is the Word of God. As Christians, we believe that the living reality of the Word of God is Jesus Christ.

The Church teaches that Scripture should be frequently read, prayed, studied, taught and lived. While children may not be able to grasp all of its theological and moral depths, we can help them make Bible connections to their own lives and prayer (especially to our greatest prayer, the celebration of the Eucharist), so that throughout their lives, they can grow in appreciation for the Bible as an experience of a living, loving God, present and active in our own world.

