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for Kids

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Kids!

This book is for you.

There are a lot of great Bible verses that will help you and encourage you. If you don't find a topic you are looking for, then make your own list!

There is room in the back of the book for your own Bible topic lists.

P.S. There are some notes for parents in the back of the book, too!

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AFRAID

Related topics: Worry, Trust, Confidence

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me? Psalm 56:3-4

Praying helps me when I am afraid.

“And call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.” Psalm 50:15

Because God is all powerful, I can ask him to help me when I am afraid.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Isaiah 41:10

From the end of the earth I call to you when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I, for you have been my refuge, a strong tower against the enemy. Psalm 61:2-3

Because God takes care of me, I can sleep and not be afraid in the dark.

In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety. Psalm 4:8



I learn to trust God when I remember that he is a Good Shepherd who loves me.

I am the good shepherd. I know my own. John 10:14a

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. Psalm 23:1-4

Wisdom helps me to stop being fearful at bedtime.

My son, do not lose sight of these—keep sound wisdom and discretion, and they will be life for your soul and adornment for your neck. Then you will walk on your way securely, and your foot will not stumble. If you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet. Proverbs 3:21-24

Because storms obey God, I can trust him during thunderstorms!

And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. Mark 4:37-39

I can pray for boldness (even when I am afraid) like the first Christians.

"And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness. Acts 4:29-31

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Because God made me, he knows all about my weaknesses and can help me.

But Moses said to the LORD, "Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue." Then the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the LORD? Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak." Exodus 4:10-12

He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.
1 Thessalonians 5:24

The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands. Psalm 138:8

Elijah's servant was afraid until he realized that God was more powerful than his enemies.
2 Kings 6:15-23 (See Psalm 34:7)

Asa was a king who was afraid of a big army, and he prayed for help. God delivered him because he relied on God's help. 2 Chronicles 14:11-12

ANGER

Related topics: Patience, Forgiveness, Humility, Selfish

Anger can come from selfish desires.

For the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. James 1:20

Whoever is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city. Proverbs 16:32

It is better to live in a desert land than with a quarrelsome and fretful woman. Proverbs 21:19

Make no friendship with a man given to anger, nor go with a wrathful man, lest you learn his ways and entangle yourself in a snare. Proverbs 22:24-25

Because God forgave me, I am learning to be kind and forgiving instead of angry.

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. The tongue of the wise commends knowledge, but the mouths of fools pour out folly. Proverbs 15:1-2

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:31-32

I can be slow to anger by learning to ask questions instead of talking, and then listening to the answers.

Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; James 1:19

Impatience that comes from pride often leads to anger.

Better is the end of a thing than its beginning, and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. Be not quick in your spirit to become angry, for anger lodges in the bosom of fools. Ecclesiastes 7:8-9

I learn patience by learning to trust God.

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices! Psalm 37:7

Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil. For the evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land. Psalm 37:8-9

Balaam was angry with his donkey. He didn't know God used his donkey to protect him. Numbers 22:21-35 (Sometimes I am angry when I don't get my own way, and I forget that God uses my circumstances for good.)

Jonah was angry because God forgave people he hated. Jonah 4:1-4

BAPTISM

Jesus wants his disciples to be baptized.

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20

Christians are baptized after they are saved.

But when they believed Philip as he preached good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. Acts 8:12

And as they were going along the road they came to some water, and the eunuch said, "See, here is water! What prevents me from being baptized?" And he commanded the chariot to stop, and they both went down into the water, Philip and the eunuch, and he baptized him. And when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord carried Philip away, and the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. Acts 8:36, 38-39

Baptism is how the first Christians began to be a part of a local church.

So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Acts 2:41-42

Baptism is a way of telling the story of the gospel, and telling others that Jesus has saved us, and that we want to follow him.

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. Romans 6:3-5

Jesus set an example for me when he was baptized. Matthew 3:13-17

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BEAUTY

The Bible tells me that God is beautiful! Everything else that is beautiful is like him!

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple. Psalm 27:4

God will make everything beautiful when he is ready, including me!

He has made everything beautiful in its time. Ecclesiastes 3:11a

Outside beauty is not nearly as important as the beauty of loving and fearing God!

Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates. Proverbs 31:30-31

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

God loves the beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit!

But let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious. 1 Peter 3:4

God makes attractive people. It's all mixed up if those people aren't attractive inside, too.

Like a gold ring in a pig's snout is a beautiful woman without discretion. Proverbs 11:22

Holiness is beautiful!

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness. Psalm 29:2

Salvation is beautiful!

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. Isaiah 61:10

As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" Romans 10:15b

Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number. Jeremiah 2:32