

### **APPLE ACRES ENTRANCE BOOKLET**

## **BEAR HUG A - Parent Night; Cubbies Key Verse**

**Memory Seed:** I John 4:10: ... God ... loved us and sent His Son ...

**The Big Apple:** God loves us very much! He sent His Son to be our Savior.

Bible Reference: I John 4:10

### **BEAR HUG B - Cubbies Motto**

**Memory Seed:** Jesus Loves Me

The Big Apple: Jesus loves the children, and Jesus loves you.

Bible Reference: Mark 10:13-16

## **HANDBOOK APPLESEED TRAIL**

# Bear Hug I — A Is for All

**Memory Seed:** Romans 3:23: ... All have sinned ...

**The Big Apple:** We are all sinners who need a Savior.

**Bible Reference:** Romans 3:23

# Bear Hug 2 — C Is for Christ

**Memory Seed:** Romans 5:8: ... While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**The Big Apple:** Christ took the punishment for our sin when He died for

us. We must each trust Him as Savior.

Bible Reference: Romans 5:8

#### **UNIT I: GOD IS CREATOR**

### Bear Hug 3 — Creation: Days One and Two

**Memory Seed:** Genesis 1:1: In the beginning **God created the heavens** and the earth. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God is the Creator of everything. On Day One, He created the light and gave us day and night. On Day Two, He created the sky.

Bible Reference: Genesis 1:1-8

## Bear Hug 4 — Creation: Days Three and Four

**Memory Seed:** Psalm 33:9: **For He spoke, and it came to be;** He commanded, and it stood firm. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** On Day Three, God created the seas, dry land and all the plants and trees. On Day Four, He created the sun, moon and stars.

Bible Reference: Genesis 1:9-19

# Bear Hug 5 — Creation: Days Five and Six (Animals)

**Memory Seed:** Genesis 1:31: God saw **all** that **He had made**, and it **was very good** ... (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** On Day Five, God made water and sky animals. On Day Six, He made land animals. Everything He made was very good.

Bible Reference: Genesis 1:20-25

# Bear Hug 6 — Unit I Review; Day Six (People) and Day Seven

**Memory Seed:** Genesis I:I: In the beginning **God created the heavens** and the earth. (This verse from Bear Hug 3 is recited again. Short version is in bold.)

**Core Truth:** God is Creator (Cubbies also memorize the unit Core Truth.)

**The Big Apple:** God is Creator. He created the whole world for us to enjoy. On Day Six, He made his most special creation — people. On Day Seven, God rested.

Bible Reference: Genesis 1:26-2:4



### **UNIT 2: GOD'S WORD IS TRUTH**

# Bear Hug 7 — Adam and Eve Live in a Beautiful Garden

**Memory Seed:** John 17:17: ... Your word is truth.

**The Big Apple:** God placed Adam and Eve in a beautiful garden. God gave them His love, responsibilities and everything they needed. God also told them the truth: if they ate from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, they would die.

Bible Reference: Genesis 2

# Bear Hug 8 — Adam and Eve Don't Listen to God's Truth

Memory Seed: Psalm 51:4: Against You [God] ... have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight ... (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** Adam and Eve sinned. They chose not to listen to God's truth, and they disobeyed Him. We have sinned too.

Bible Reference: Genesis 3:1-8

#### Bear Hug 9 — Adam and Eve Must Leave the Garden

**Memory Seed:** John 3:36: Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life ...

**The Big Apple:** Adam and Eve had to leave the garden because of their sin. Adam and Eve, and all sinners after them, will die, just as God said. But God still loves sinners. His Son, Jesus Christ, came to give us eternal life.

Bible Reference: Genesis 3:8-24

### Bear Hug I0 — Unit 2 Review

**Memory Seed:** John 17:17: ... Your word is truth. (This verse from Bear Hug 7 is recited again.)

**The Big Apple:** God's Word is truth. We must listen to, obey and treasure God's truth in the Bible. Here is a BIG truth from the Bible: When we trust Christ as Savior, we have eternal life!

**Core Truth:** God's Word is Truth (Cubbies will not memorize the Core Truth in this unit since it is almost identical to the verse.)

**Bible Reference:** Genesis 2-3; John 3:36



### **UNIT 3: GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES**

## Bear Hug II — God Tells Noah to Build an Ark

**Memory Seed:** Lamentations 3:23: ... Great is Your faithfulness.

**The Big Apple:** God planned to send a flood to punish people for their sin, but God promised to keep Noah and his family safe from that punishment. God always keeps His promises. God is faithful!

Bible Reference: Genesis 6

## Bear Hug 12 — God Keeps Noah and His Family Safe

Memory Seed: Psalm 4:8: I will lie down and sleep in peace, for You alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple**: During the flood, the ark floated on the waters. The people and animals inside could rest peacefully. God had kept them safe, just as He promised.

Bible Reference: Genesis 7

### Bear Hug 13 — God's Rainbow Shows His Promise

**Memory Seed:** Genesis 9:13: *I* **[God]** have set My rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God dried up the water from the flood. He made a new promise to never send another worldwide flood. The rainbow is the sign of God's promise, and God will never forget His promise!

Bible Reference: Genesis 8-9:17

#### Bear Hug 14 — Unit 3 Review

**Memory Seed:** Lamentations 3:23: ... *Great is Your faithfulness.* (This verse from Bear Hug II is recited again.)

**Core Truth:** God Keeps His Promises (Cubbies also memorize the unit Core Truth.)

**The Big Apple:** God kept His promise to save Noah from the punishment for sin. God also kept His promise to send Christ to save US from the punishment for sin. God keeps all His promises to us in Scripture. He is faithful!

Bible Reference: Genesis 6-9:17



### **UNIT 4: GOD IS MIGHTY**

### Bear Hug I5 — Abraham's Family Grows

**Memory Seed:** Psalm 147:5: Great is our Lord and mighty in power ...

**The Big Apple:** God is mighty. He kept His promise to make Abraham's children (descendants) as numerous as the stars. They became a great nation, called the Israelites.

Bible Reference: Genesis 12:1-3; 15; 21:1-7

## Bear Hug 16 — God Sends the First Nine Plagues to Egypt

Memory Seed: Psalm 124:8: Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God is mighty. He helped the Israelites by sending nine powerful plagues to Pharaoh and the Egyptians. God is mighty to help us too; we can ask Him for help.

Bible Reference: Exodus 1-10

#### Bear Hug I7 —The I0th Plague and the Exodus

Memory Seed: Exodus 15:2: The LORD is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation ... (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God is mighty. He saved the Israelites from slavery to Pharaoh and He brought them out of the land of Egypt. God is mighty to save us from sin through His Son, Jesus Christ.

**Bible Reference:** Exodus 11-12

#### Bear Hug 18 — Unit 4 Review; Red Sea Crossing

**Memory Seed:** Psalm 147:5: *Great is our Lord and mighty in power ...* (This verse from Bear Hug 15 is recited again.)

**Core Truth:** God is mighty (Cubbies also memorize the unit Core Truth.)

**The Big Apple:** God is mighty. He showed His power to Abraham's family, the Israelites. Our strength is small, but God is mightier than we can imagine!

Bible reference: Exodus 1-12; 14-15



### **UNIT 5: GOD IS IN CHARGE**

## Bear Hug 19 — The Israelites Disobey God's Commands

Memory Seed: Psalm 47:7: For God is the King of all the earth; sing to Him a psalm of praise. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God is in charge. As King of the Israelites, He gave them 10 commands to love God and others, but they disobeyed His commands. All of us have sinned by disobeying God's commands.

Bible Reference: Exodus 20, 24:12-18; Number 13-14; Deuteronomy 31

## Bear Hug 20 — God Chooses David as King

**Memory Seed:** Mark 12:30: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God is in charge. God chose David to be king of the Israelites because David would love and obey Him. When we trust Jesus Christ as Savior, the Holy Spirit helps us to love and obey God more and more.

Bible Reference: | Samuel 8; | 16

## Bear Hug 21 — Future King David Defeats Goliath

Memory Seed: Psalm 56:11: In God I trust; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me? (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** The Israelites forgot God's promise to help them fight their enemies if they obeyed and trusted Him. David remembered God's promise and defeated Goliath. When we are scared, we should trust God and remember His promises from Scripture.

Bible Reference: | Samuel | 17

#### Bear Hug 22 — Unit 5 Review

**Memory Seed:** Psalm 47:7: **For God is the King of all the earth;** sing to Him a psalm of praise. (This verse from Bear Hug 19 is recited again. Short version is in bold.)

**Core Truth:** God is in charge (Cubbies also memorize the unit Core Truth.)

**The Big Apple:** God is in charge. He sent His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, as the perfect King for Israel. When we trust the Lord Jesus as Savior, the Holy Spirit helps us to love and obey God more and more.

Bible Reference: Exodus 20; | Samuel 16-17; 2 Samuel 7:1-17; Matthew |

#### **UNIT 6: GOD SENT THE SAVIOR**

# Bear Hug 23 — Jesus Is Baptized and Says No to Satan

**Memory Seed:** John 1:29: ... "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God used John the Baptist to help people turn away from sin and prepare to meet the Savior. Jesus is God's Son, who never sinned. God sent the Savior to take away our sin.

**Bible Reference:** Luke 3:1-22; Luke 4:1-13; John 1:29-34

## Bear Hug 24 — Jesus Calls His Disciples

Memory Seed: Mark 1:17: "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** Jesus is the Savior, the Son of God. He called the disciples to follow Him and become fishers of men (or people). We can be fishers of men too, who tell others about the Savior.

Bible Reference: Luke 5:1-11

#### Bear Hug 25 — Jesus Calms the Storm

Memory Seed: Mark 4:41: ... "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey Him!" (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** When He calmed the stormy sea, Jesus showed He was God's Son, the Savior. We can trust Jesus in scary times.

Bible Reference: Mark 4:35-41

#### Bear Hug 26 — Unit 6 Review

**Memory Seed:** John 1:29: ... "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (This verse from Bear Hug 23 will be recited again. Short version is in bold.)

**Core Truth:** God sent the Savior (Cubbies also memorize the unit Core Truth.)

**The Big Apple:** While Jesus lived on earth, He did many things to show He was God's Son, the Savior. Then He died on the cross for our sin, came alive again, went up to heaven and will return one day to take us to heaven with Him. Each day, we should follow (know and obey) the Savior more.

Bible Reference: Luke 3:1-22; Luke 5:1-11; Mark 4:35-41

## **SPECIAL DAYS**

## **Special Day I — Thanksgiving**

**Memory Seed:** Psalm 118:29: **Give thanks to the LORD,** for He is good; His love endures forever. (Short version is in bold.)

**Big Apple:** God wanted the Israelites to be genuinely thankful for His goodness to them. We should remember to thank God each day for the material and spiritual blessings in our lives.

**Bible Reference:** Leviticus 23:33-43; Nehemiah 8:13-18

# **Special Day 2 — Christmas**

**Memory Seed:** Luke 2:11: **Today** in the town of David **a Savior has been born to you;** He is Christ the Lord. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** God kept His promise to send His Son, the Savior. We have great joy because the Lord Jesus came to save us from our sins. He will be our King forever.

**Bible Reference:** Matthew 1:18-24; Luke 2:1-20

## Special Day 3 — Easter

**Memory Seed:** I Corinthians 15:4: ... **He was raised on the third day** according to the Scriptures. (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** Easter is the celebration of Jesus' death and coming alive again three days later. Because of this, we will one day live with Him forever if we trust Him as our Savior.

Bible Reference: John 19-20

# **Special Day 4 — Missions**

**Memory Seed:** Acts 1:8: But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; **and you will be My witnesses** ... (Short version is in bold.)

**The Big Apple:** Jesus gave the disciples the power of the Holy Spirit so they could be witnesses for Him. We have the Holy Spirit so we can be witnesses too!

Bible Reference: Acts 1:1-9; 2:1-11