



## Parents,

You are on our minds during this COVID-19 outbreak. Each of your lives have changed drastically with the closure of schools and I suspect you are feeling the impact of these changes. The Oaks Kids is here to help you.

We want to make it so you can do 'home church' with your kids this Sunday and hopefully make it a weekly rhythm until we can meet again! It may give the kids a sense of normalcy to have some of the same lessons and rhythms from their church classes and it's a way for you to teach your kids with a lesson that is already made for you!

Below you will see a link to the Home Discipleship Guide with links to lessons for each age group. The lessons may seem overwhelming so here is a schedule to help break it down:

1. **WORSHIP**- Put on a favorite worship song and listen together. Need ideas? Our Home Discipleship Guide has a Music section with links.
2. **READ**- At the top of each lesson you will find a Scripture reference. For now, you will need to read from your Bible (shorten it by using smaller words or summarize it in your own words) OR use *any* kids' Bible you have at home and try to find the correlating Scripture.**LESSON SCHEDULE**
- 3.
4. **TALK**- Under the CRAFT section in each lesson you will find questions (with answers!) you can ask your kids.

The above is the minimum, but the lessons have so much more! Want more?

- **CRAFT**- If you have access to a printer there is a craft added for each lesson with directions and all materials (besides crayons/glue). Find them on the blue links below!

- **OBJECT LESSON-** This section of the lesson has a fun way to teach the lesson. If you have the needed items at home, they are engaging and helpful to teach your kids the main idea!
- **SNACK-** Snack is often the kids' favorite part, so maybe offer a snack while they color the craft or while you talk.
- **MEMORY VERSE-** Practice the Memory Verse (Matthew 5:3-12)

This schedule works for 2 year olds- 2nd grade (if you have a 2-3 year old, there are no questions to ask but there are activities you can do together).

If you have a 3rd-8th grader:

1. Go to the TEACHING OUTLINE section of the lesson. Follow the questions and read the Scripture together. The kids are learning and memorizing through the New City Catechisms. **One of your best resources is to download the New City Catechism App!**

**A reminder of two things:**

1. Download the Oaks new app ([Android](#) and [Apple](#)) to not only stay informed, but to communicate your needs during this time. Need prayer? Groceries? Someone to talk to? Please, please, please reach out to us through the Prayer tab or email us at [info@theoakscommunitychurch.org](mailto:info@theoakscommunitychurch.org)
2. Here is the [Home Discipleship Guide](#). You can access it [right here](#) or under The Oaks Kids tab in our app! We might not be having our regular classes in The Oaks Kids, but we challenge you to be the teacher at home! We've provided lessons, our memory verse, and other helpful articles and books. We pray this time gives you space to connect with your kids in prayer and in learning about who God is together!

As of now, Kristin is officially on maternity leave. Please pray for her and Mike as they welcome their son. And, please have patience with me as I try to figure out taking over for her during such a different time. If you have any needs or questions, please please reach out to us at [kids@theoakscommunitychurch.org](mailto:kids@theoakscommunitychurch.org) . I would love to help you figure out how to teach your kids or to pray for you and your family.

Christ is with you.

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