



**What 2020 Taught Us (Psalm 62) – Forget 2020? – January 2-3, 2021**

**STUDY NOTES || SPEAKING PASTOR TIM HOWEY**

**2020 was about learning to wait for God**

**The freedom of silently waiting for God**

- Psalm 62:1-4

**The need to shepherd yourself spiritually**

- Psalm 62:5-8

**The power of focusing on the eternal**

- Psalm 62:9-12

## NURSERY

JESUS IS OUR FRIEND  
MIRACLES OF JESUS

This month we will learn that Jesus was a friend to Jairus' daughter, Jesus helps us when we're sick, discover that Jesus is our friend, learn how to be friends with others, and thank Jesus for being our friend. Check out our virtual nursery classroom for fun activities, coordinating Bible story videos, and lots of music that coordinates with each week's lessons.

**Memory Verse:** Jesus is our friend. John 15:15 (adapted for toddlers)

**Heart of the Lesson:** Our friend Jesus cares for us

**Parent Engagement:** Get out some baby dolls or action figures. Pretend that they have an owie. Let your toddler put some real bandaids on their doll or action figure (not recommended for furry animals). Talk about how we can take care of people. Jesus loves and cares for us, too.

## GKJR

JESUS GROWS UP  
AND EARLY MINISTRY

This month our kids will see how Jesus went from a baby, to a tween with a purpose to a grown man who obeyed God in baptism and then started His ministry. Jesus is God and He is also man. He knows our pains, disappointments, temptations as well as our excitement, joys and relationships.

**Memory Verse:** "And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and all the people." Luke 2:52 NLT

**Heart of the Lesson:** Give thanks: Jesus is our Savior - Anna and Simeon See Jesus Dedicated - Luke 2

**Parent Engagement:** Talk to your kids about what you wish for them about following God. Ask your kids what they want you to teach them about God.

## ELEMENTARY

THE GOOD, THE BAD  
AND THE CONFUSING

In this series, we are going to be talking about all things 2020 including good, the bad and the confusing. With the ups and downs of feelings and circumstances what can we hold onto? What is our hope found in? Join us as we discover the only unshakable thing in this world!

**Memory Verse:** We can praise God for the good things He has done - Psalm 34, 63

**Heart of the Lesson:** Telling the Good News Shines God's Light - Shepherds Tell - Luke 2

**Parent Engagement:** As a family talk about the good things that happened in 2020 and thank God for them.

## SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

## THE BIG 10



This series, we're studying the Ten Commandments and learning how each one helps us follow God!

**Memory Verse:** "If you love me, obey my commands." John 14:15

**Heart of the Lesson:** Introduction: Exodus 20:20

**Caregiver Engagement:** Why should we follow rules? How can you show God you love Him? (Refer to our memory verse for help!) Do we still need to follow the 10 Commandments? Did God give us the 10 Commandments to punish us or to help us follow Him?



In this series, we will be reflecting on how God has been faithful throughout the ups and downs that 2020 had for us. We will journey through the Psalms, looking forward to 2021 with expectancy, and remembering that God remains the center of it all.

**Memory Verse:** "He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress where I will not be shaken." Psalm 62:6

**Heart of the Lesson:** What 2020 Taught Us - Psalm 62

**Parent Engagement Question:** God is constant when nothing else is. Talk about the things that have changed in 2020. Then, discuss the ways God has been faithful through it all.