



P226 is based upon Proverbs 22:6 “Train up a child in the ways of the Lord, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” There are three pieces of the program that are articulated to crystalize the learning of God’s Word.

I. The Process of Discipleship

Know -To know God and his Word.

Grow - To grow in our relationships with God and others

Go -To go into the world with service and sharing the word

II. Purposes for Elementary Bible classes

Know -To know God and his Word.

1. Learn God's Word
2. Learn to see life from God's perspective.

Grow-To grow in our relationships with God and others

3. Learn to live the lessons taught in scripture.
4. Gain an ability to use the Bible to inform daily living throughout life.

Go -To go into the world with service and sharing the word

5. Become comfortable discussing the lessons taught in scripture with each other
6. Become comfortable discussing the lessons taught in scripture with outsiders

III. The Discipleship Process for our Elementary Sunday Morning Bible Classes

Know (birth-4th)

The goal of this stage is to come to know the stories of God's interaction with man as recorded in scriptures. Time will be spent on application, but the focus of this stage is on knowledge of the Bible

- 1 - Using Christian words
- 2 - Great Bible Stories (line up with *Kingdom Kids* stories)
- 3 - The New Testament (focus on Jesus)
- 4 - The Old Testament
- K** - The New Testament Parables
- 1st - Stories in Acts
- 2nd - The Story of the Old Testament
- 3rd - The Story of the New Testament
- 4th - How the Bible fits together (Historically, Geographically, Covenantally, etc.)

Grow (5th-8th)

The goal of this stage is to develop a strong foundation for a relationship with God through Christ. How do the stories they have learned teach the lessons of life? This stage should prepare our young people for challenges they are soon to face. What does God expect from our lives, how we live, and how has He provided a way for us to be saved? This stage should build to a commitment to be baptized into Christ and begin the Christian walk.

- 5th - Beginning a relationship with God (Yellow books) - Guided study with discussion
- 6th - Christian Living (Morals, Spiritual Disciplines, the Church, family, etc.)- Guided discussion
- 7th - Being a part of the church - (Service, Worship, Evangelism, Fellowship, Discipleship)
- 8th - Bible Review - (How we got the Bible, Review Bible, practice finding answers, etc.)

Go (9th-12)

The goal of this stage is to develop the ability of our teenagers to defend their faith and talk about the gospel. Additionally, we want to coach them through the challenges unique to the teenage and young adult years. Here they will be encouraged to serve and evangelize

- 9th - Developing Christian Habits (Worship, Study, Journaling, Prayer, Service, Purity, etc.)
- 10th - Major themes of the Bible (Doctrine - The Church, Family, Holy Spirit, etc)
- 11th - Talking about my Faith and God's Plan for Salvation (Subject Driven & through Mark)
- 12th - Why do I believe what I believe? And answering a Doubting World