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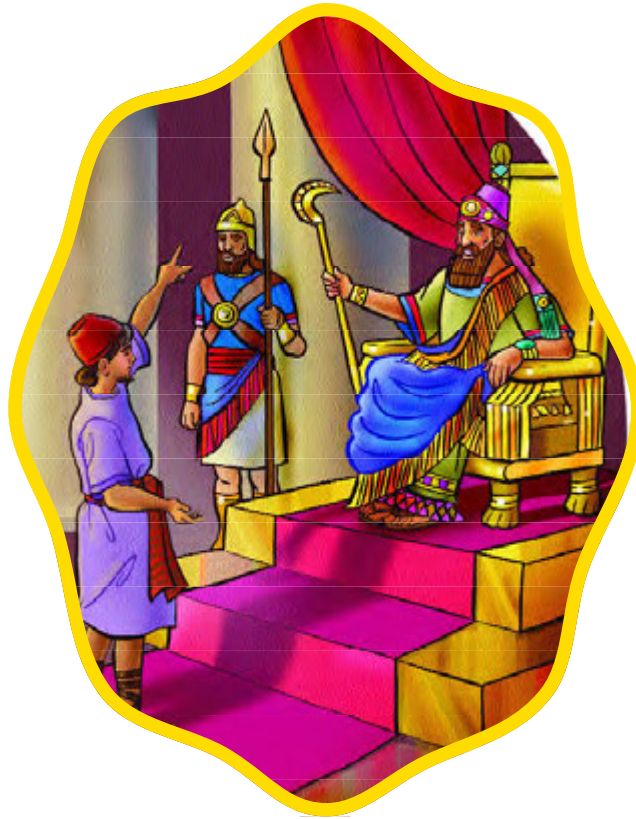
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Dear Primary Friends,

These Sabbath School lessons have been written especially for you by people who care very much about you. They want you to know more about God and His love for you and your family. And that's what God wants too. He wants you to know that He loves you very much. And Jesus wants to be your special, forever friend. He wants you to know Him, to know all about Him. He wants you to be His friend too.

As you learn more about God's love in these lessons, think about ways you can show your love to Him. Can you sing a song of praise to Him? Can you tell Him in your prayers how wonderful He is? Can you show His love to others in your family? To your friends and neighbors?

We pray that God will always have a special place in your heart.

The Editors

Lessons one through four are about learning what is important in life.

- We respect leaders God has placed in authority.
- God can use me when I trust Him.
- God loves me and uses me even though I make mistakes.
- I will listen and answer when God speaks to me.

Lessons five through nine teach us that we serve God wherever we are.

- I serve God when I help my friends make good choices.
- I serve God when I choose to be healthy.
- I serve God when I help people in need.
- I can serve God wherever I am.
- I serve God when I help others understand His Word.



Lessons ten through fourteen teach us that God's grace gives us hope and joy.

- God's gifts of love fill me with hope and joy.
- Jesus is God's special gift to me.
- Jesus gives me joy and hope.
- God can guide our lives just as He guided the wise men and Jesus' parents.
- Jesus is coming soon.

A Message to Parents

Dear Friend,

All *Primary Bible Study Guides* offer opportunities to help your child learn to use the Bible and to know that what is studied comes from God's Word. These exciting Bible lessons link God's amazing Grace to your child's everyday life. However, they need YOU to make them come to life in your home. Plan now to make time for daily study with your child. During your family worship time read the lessons together and share the fun of doing the Bible-based activities.

The entire *GraceLink* curriculum is developed around four important concepts—Grace, Worship, Community, and Service—all critical to Christian growth. Simply put, these dynamics teach the following: Grace, Jesus loves me; Worship, I love Jesus; Community, we love each other; and



Service, Jesus loves you too. Each month, emphasis is placed on one of these dynamics, but Grace is the thread that runs through every lesson and knits them together to form a complete whole.

May God bless you as you and your child enjoy learning more of Him.

General Conference Sabbath School Department

PS: If you are seeking to enrich your child's prayer life (and that of your family), we recommend *100 Creative Prayer Ideas for Kids* by Karen Holford, ©2003 by Pacific Press, available from your Adventist Book Center.