



SCHOOL YEAR THEME

YEARS 1 and 2

It All Began with God and *God Said It . . . I Believe It* represent a series of meditations and worship service folders for your all-school gathering services. They may be used for the entire school or simply as weekly devotions for some grades. These are the first two of a three part series stressing the topic of apologetics for elementary school children. Today there is a real need to instruct fellow Christians in how to react to the daily assaults on our faith. We must prepare ourselves and our children to give a reason for the faith we profess. As 1 Peter 3:15 declares,

“Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that you have.” Sadly, our children and teens are fighting in the front lines of the battle. We must arm these soldiers with the weapon of God’s Word. With this program, each week the children are presented with a topic that is relevant to today’s questions. All meditations and worship services have been written by WELS educators and are available **FREE** to any school as a complimentary gift of Kremer Resources.

YEAR ONE THEME: *It All Began with God* concentrates mainly on the book of Genesis with special emphasis on creation. The goal is that the children will be confident in proclaiming that God is the Creator of all things.

YEAR TWO THEME: *God Said It . . . I Believe It!* presents many aspects of the Bible. Children are taught about the truth of God’s Word plus the writers, divisions, themes, etc. The goal is to have children become familiar with the Bible, making it a friend, guide, and answer to all their questions.

MEDITATIONS: Each year’s program contains 35 pre-written meditations that include a title, Scripture reference, and a question. Realizing the wide age range of children, meditations are aimed at a middle grade level. See below for list of meditation titles.

WORSHIP FOLDERS: The worship folder masters are to be printed and distributed as the service bulletin. Artwork is included to provide a cover. The worship programs include opening, songs, Bible readings, prayers, and benedictions that coincide with the meditations. Provided files are in Word (changeable) and PDF. For many of the suggested songs, a web address is included that offers sheet music. You can make changes to the worship folders to fit your situation.

B-I-B-L-E SONG: Year two ends each session with the B-I-B-L-E song. Note that the verses often vary to fit the theme of the day.

STAFF NOTES: For year one only, we have included short notes to be reviewed by the staff prior to the gathering service. These include bullet point thoughts and quotations from creation apologist writers.

LOGO/T-SHIRTS: The logo for the program is also included as well as some T-shirt graphics. You can purchase iron-on transfer paper for T-shirts at any office supply store.

BANNERS: Full color high quality hall banners are available with grommets or dowel loop from kremerresources.com.

WATCH FOR YEAR THREE IN 2020! Previous theme programs are available at kremerresources.com.

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IT ALL BEGAN WITH GOD

LIST OF MEDITATIONS

IS THAT TRUE?

What is the only source of truth?

WHO DO YOU TRUST?

Can we trust God?

PROMISES MADE, PROMISES KEPT

Can we trust God's promises?

THAT'S HARMONY?

Why is the Bible so special?

IT'S ALL OR NOTHING

Can we choose the Bible parts we want to believe?

WE NEED EYEWITNESSES

How do we know what really happened at creation?

I WON'T, I WON'T, I WON'T

Why do many people refuse to believe in creation?

GOD WAS HERE FIRST

Who made God?

WAS GOD TIRED?

Why did God have to rest on the seventh day?

SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW

Why did God create the earth to look old?

SHHHHH!

What is the Big Bang?

AN AWESOME UNIVERSE

How big is the universe?

ALL BY ITSELF

What is intelligent design?

STAY AWAY FROM THE DEVIL

Did God create the devil?

WHO CARES HOW OLD YOU ARE?

How long did it take to make the earth?

BEHOLD, THE SCIENTIST

But is it really science?

GONE TO FAIRBANKS

How many paths lead to heaven?

IT'S OKAY TO ASK

Should we question the "facts"?

GONE MISSING

What are missing links?

MEET TYRANNOSAURUS REX

Can a Christian believe in dinosaurs?

A BREATH OF FRESH AIR

How are people different from monkeys?

PEEK-A-BOO I SEE YOU!

Why are our eyes so special?

THE TWO SHALL BE ONE

What did God have to do with marriage?

SPELL DEOXYRIBONUCLEIC

What's so amazing about DNA?

A STRANGE MOMMY

Can we believe in Mother Earth or Mother Nature?

THAT'S JUST NOT TRUE

Are there false "holy books"?

BLUE OR PINK? BOTH ARE PERFECT!

Who decides if we are boys or girls?

I HAD A FEELING ABOUT THAT

Does God experience emotions?

WATER, WATER, EVERYWHERE

How do we know the flood really happened?

ANIMALS EVERYWHERE

How could Noah fit all those animals on the ark?

I HAVE AN OWIE?

Why do bad things happen?

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

Do Christians practice environmentalism?

MEET THE BRISTLE-THIGHED CURLEW

How do the birds teach us about creation?

THE RACES ARE CANCELLED

What about different races?

WHOSE GLASSES ARE YOU WEARING?

How do Christians view the world?

GOD SAID IT . . . I BELIEVE IT!

LIST OF MEDITATIONS

GOD SAID IT . . . I BELIEVE IT!

Can we really trust God?

WATCH OUT!

Why must we be careful?

THAT'S INSPIRING

What is inspiration?

THE OLD TESTAMENT

What books are in the Old Testament?

THE NEW TESTAMENT

What books are in the New Testament?

GREAT BIBLE WRITERS – MOSES

What books did Moses write?

THE BIBLE IS A FLASHLIGHT

What is a flashlight for?

MANY WRITERS - ONE BOOK

Why 66 books?

THE BIBLE IS A ROAD MAP

Can you read God's map?

THE SPECIAL STORIES JESUS TOLD

What is a parable?

GREAT BIBLE WRITERS – JEREMIAH

What books did Jeremiah write?

THE BIBLE IS LIKE A SEED

Shall we plant a garden?

COPYING THE BIBLE

How was the Bible passed from generation to generation?

ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SONGS

What are the psalms?

BIBLE NAMES

What's in a name?

DEAR AUNT MOLLY

Have you ever written a letter?

THE BIBLE IS A HOUSEGUEST

Would you open the door if Jesus knocked?

THAT'S JUST NOT TRUE

Are there false "holy books"?

GREAT BIBLE CHAPTERS

How many Bible heroes can you count?

IT'S A MIRACLE!

Have you ever seen a miracle?

THE BIBLE IS DELICIOUS FOOD

Does paper taste good?

GREAT BIBLE WRITERS – MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE, & JOHN

What are the gospels?

AMAZING PROPHECIES

Can you predict the future?

THE BIBLE IS MORE PRECIOUS THAN GOLD

How precious is God's Word?

THE REAL "HOW TO" BOOK

What answers does the Bible give?

THE BIBLE STANDS ON ITS OWN

Is the Bible a trustworthy science book?

THE BIBLE IS A WEAPON

How did God arm us?

SO MANY BIBLES

Why so many translations?

LOVE!

What is real love?

THE BIBLE IS A FRIEND

What makes a friend?

JESUS HAD A BIBLE

What Bible did Jesus use?

PROMISES MADE, PROMISES KEPT

Does God keep all his promises?

FROM BEGINNING TO END

What will heaven be like?

USING YOUR BIBLE

How can we use the Bible?

A BIBLE QUIZ

How much do you remember?