

Quarter At-A-Glance

June 2021

Confident Hope

The study this quarter looks at God's gift of faith as the source of hope. Sessions from the Gospels illuminate hope and faith in teachings and miracles of Jesus. Sessions from the Epistles show how the early church understood God's gift of salvation through faith in Christ as the source of hope.

UNIT 1 • Jesus Teaches about Faith

This unit has five sessions. They reveal the hope and faith that come through Jesus' teachings and miracles. The sessions from Matthew demonstrate that faith in God is the primary source of hope and confidence. The miracles in Mark and Luke illustrate the power of faith.

Lesson 1: June 6, 2021

Why Do You Worry?

Matthew 6:25–34

Life's uncertainties can lead people to worry about how to obtain their basic needs. Who can we trust to meet all our needs? The Gospel of Matthew points out that our God who is truly sovereign will fulfill our needs.

Lesson 2: June 13, 2021

Why Are You Afraid?

Matthew 8:23–27

People often lose confidence amidst the storms of persecution, rejection, and poverty. Where can we find assurance when beset by the storms of life? Fearing they would not survive the windstorm, the disciples turned to Jesus to save them.

Lesson 3: June 20, 2021

Healed by Faith

Matthew 9:18–26

People often look to others to help them with their health issues. Where does healing come from? Jesus told the woman with the issue of blood that she was healed because of her faith and told Jairus that his daughter was healed and restored to life.

Lesson 4: June 27, 2021

Why Do You Doubt?

Matthew 14:22–33

In the depth of crisis, people are often caught between trust and doubt. Will one trust that one's help will come? Jesus, by walking on water to save His disciples, demonstrated His divine empowerment to be the Savior of all.

Lesson 5: July 4, 2021

An Attitude of Gratitude

Leviticus 13:45–46; Luke 17: 11–19

People often receive mercy but do not acknowledge the one who helped them. Do you show appreciation? Ten lepers, isolated by their skin diseases, were healed; but only one, who was a foreigner, was saved by his faith and offered thanks.

UNIT 2 • Faith and Salvation

This unit has four sessions. They explore in Paul's Letter to the Romans his understanding of the hope of salvation through faith. The letter teaches that God's righteousness is revealed in those who live by faith. Paul illustrates faith

through the example of Abraham. He unpacks the teaching about being reconciled to God by justification through faith and teaches that salvation is for all.

Lesson 6: July 11, 2021

The Power of the Gospel

Romans 1:8–17

People often look to be in a relationship that provides them with strength and stability. Where do you find your strength? The Gospel is the power of God that can save all those who believe.

Lesson 7: July 18, 2021

The Faith of Abraham

Romans 4:1–12

People often look to those older than they are for assurance. Who is an example one can trust? Through faith, Abraham, the father of all who believe, proved he was in the right relationship with God.

Lesson 8: July 25, 2021

Justification through Faith

Romans 5:1–11

People often struggle with fractured relationships that they may or may not have caused. How can these relationships be reconciled? Only justification by faith in Jesus Christ reconciles the ultimate ruptured relationship between God and humanity.

Lesson 9: August 1, 2021

Salvation for All Who Believe

Romans 10:5–17

Many people lack confidence in addressing life's circumstances. How can one gain trust? Salvation comes to all who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and believe in their hearts.

UNIT 3 • Faith Gives Us Hope

This unit has four sessions. They focus on faith as essential for the hope of eternal life. Hebrews defines faith in Christ as a basis for hope and tells how faith in Christ gives hope that helps people persevere in all circumstances. 1 John promises that faith conquers the world. 2 Corinthians teaches about hope in God's gift of eternal life.

Lesson 10: August 8, 2021

Meaning of Faith

Hebrews 11:1–8, 13–16

People enduring life's miseries hopelessly plod along the way of life. What can enliven this emptiness of existence? Faith in God assures of hope and conviction of certainty.

Lesson 11: August 15, 2021

A Preserving Faith

Hebrews 10:23–36

People lacking self-assurance feel overwhelmed by life's challenges. What can enable one to face life confidently? Believers in Jesus Christ, who persevere in hope and encourage others in love and good works, develop in faith.

Lesson 12: August 22, 2021

A Conquering Faith

1 John 4:2–3, 13–17; 5:4–5

Faced with the world's allure, people contend with its many appeals. How can one resist this unhealthy allure? Believers through faith in Jesus Christ overcome the world and its seductions with the hope of victory.

Lesson 13: August 29, 2021

Hope Eternal

2 Corinthians 4:16–5:10

People fear the fragility of life and the meaning of death. In weakness and death, where can any assurance be found? God gives believers in Jesus Christ an eternal, unseen place in him that is guaranteed by the Spirit.