



Diocese of Athabasca

Sunday School Lesson Plan – Sunday, November 9, 2025

Here's a **Sunday School Lesson Plan** for young children (ages 4–8) using the **Revised Common Lectionary** readings for **November 9, 2025 – Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost, Proper 32 (Year C)** Bible Verses: Hag 1:15b—2:9; Ps 145:1-5, 18-22 or Ps 98; 2 Th 2:1-5, 13-17; Lk 20:27-38



Sunday School Lesson Plan

Lesson Title:

“God Gives Us New Life”

Theme / Big Idea:

God promises us hope and new life. Even when things are hard, God's love never ends.

Lesson Focus for Kids:

Jesus teaches us that God is the God of the living. We can trust that God is always with us and gives us life forever.



Scripture Readings (Kid-Friendly)

- **Haggai 2:4-5** – “Be strong! Work hard! Don’t be afraid, because I am with you,” says the Lord.
- **Psalms 98:1** – “Sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done wonderful things.”
- **2 Thessalonians 2:16-17** – “God loves us and gives us hope and strength.”
- **Luke 20:37-38** – Jesus said, “God is not the God of the dead, but of the living. For to God, all are alive.”



Welcome & Opening Prayer / Circle Time

- Greet the children warmly, sit in a circle.
 - Ask: “*What is something new you’ve learned or seen this week?*” (connects to God making things new).
 - Prayer:
“Dear God, thank You for loving us and giving us new life. Help us to learn more about You today. Amen.”
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Memory Verse

Luke 20:38 – “*God is the God of the living.*”

👉 Use hand motions:

- Point up for “God”
 - Cross arms over chest for “living”
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Bible Story Time

Tell the story in simple language:

Jesus was asked a tricky question about life after death. He reminded everyone that God is not just the God of people who lived long ago, but the God of everyone who is alive now—and will live forever with Him. God’s love is stronger than death, and He gives us hope and new life.

👉 Show with simple objects: a seed (looks dead) but grows into a flower (new life).



Craft / Activity

“New Life Flower Craft”

- Materials: paper plates, markers, scissors, glue, tissue paper.
- Write “God is the God of the living” in the middle.
- Decorate petals around it with bright colours.
- Children can take it home as a reminder.

Alternative: **Seed planting in small cups** if available.



Game

“Alive or Not Alive?”

- Teacher names things (rock, bird, tree, doll, flower, puppy, sun, etc.).
- Kids shout: “*Alive!*” or “*Not alive!*”
- Then ask: “*Who gives life to all living things?*” (Answer: God!)



Song Suggestions

- “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands”
- “I Am the Resurrection and the Life” (simple chorus version)
- “God Is So Good”



Snack Suggestions

- **Fruit slices** (apples, oranges, grapes) – represent “new life grows.”
- **Flower-shaped cookies** (if available).
- Thank God for food before eating.



Wrap Up & Reflections

- Ask:
 - Who is the God of the living?
 - What does Jesus promise us?
 - How does God give us hope?



Closing Prayer

“Thank You, God, that You give us life. Thank You for Jesus who shows us Your love. Help us to trust You and live with joy. Amen.”



Take Home Idea

- Hand out a small card with the memory verse:
“God is the God of the living” – Luke 20:38
 - Encourage children to teach it to their family.
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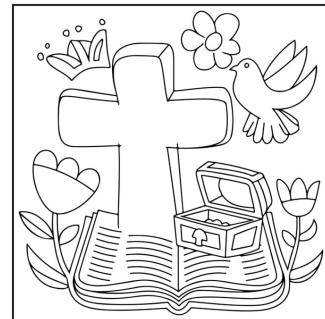
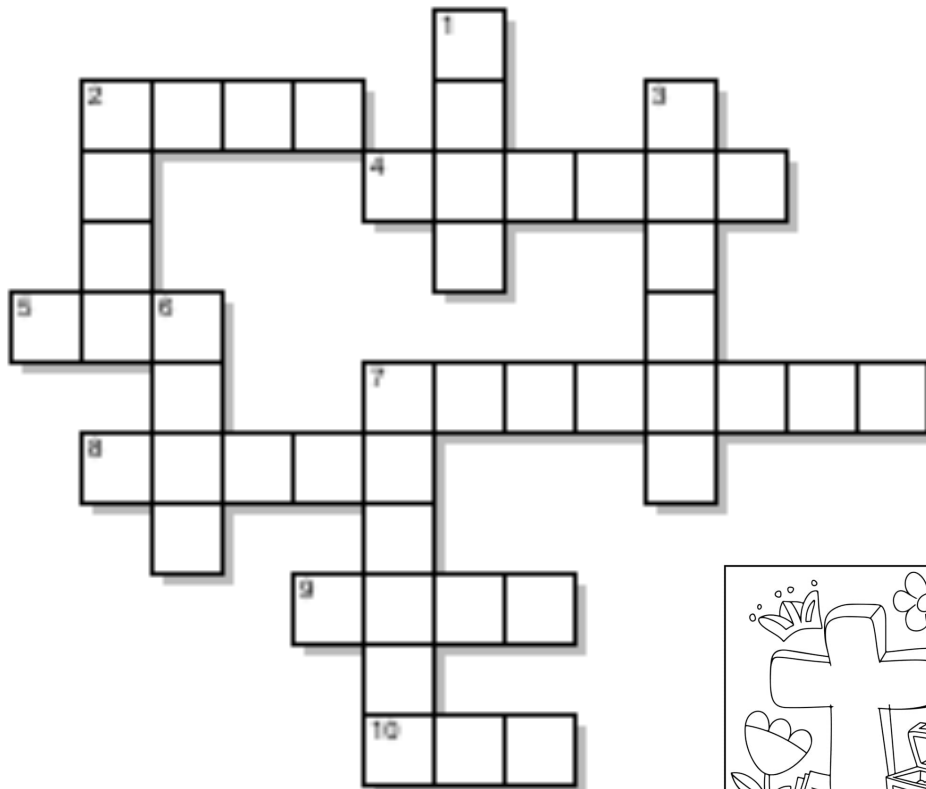


Teacher Notes

- Keep explanations simple: focus on “God gives life” rather than complex resurrection debates.
- Emphasize **hope, love, and life**.
- Encourage children to see God’s presence in everyday life (nature, family, love).

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ACROSS

- 2 Master
- 4 Scared
- 5 Not old
- 7 Muscle
- 8 Firm belief in someone
- 9 Belief something good will happen
- 10 Father of all

DOWN

- 1 Between birth and death
- 2 Affection
- 3 Being
- 6 Job
- 7 Powerful



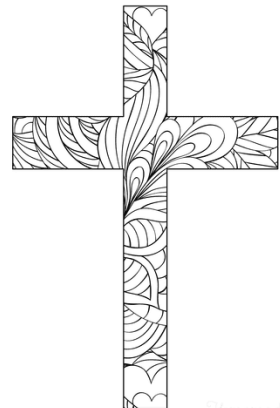
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Life
Hope
Love
Living
Trust

Strong
Work
Afraid
Lord
Strength
New



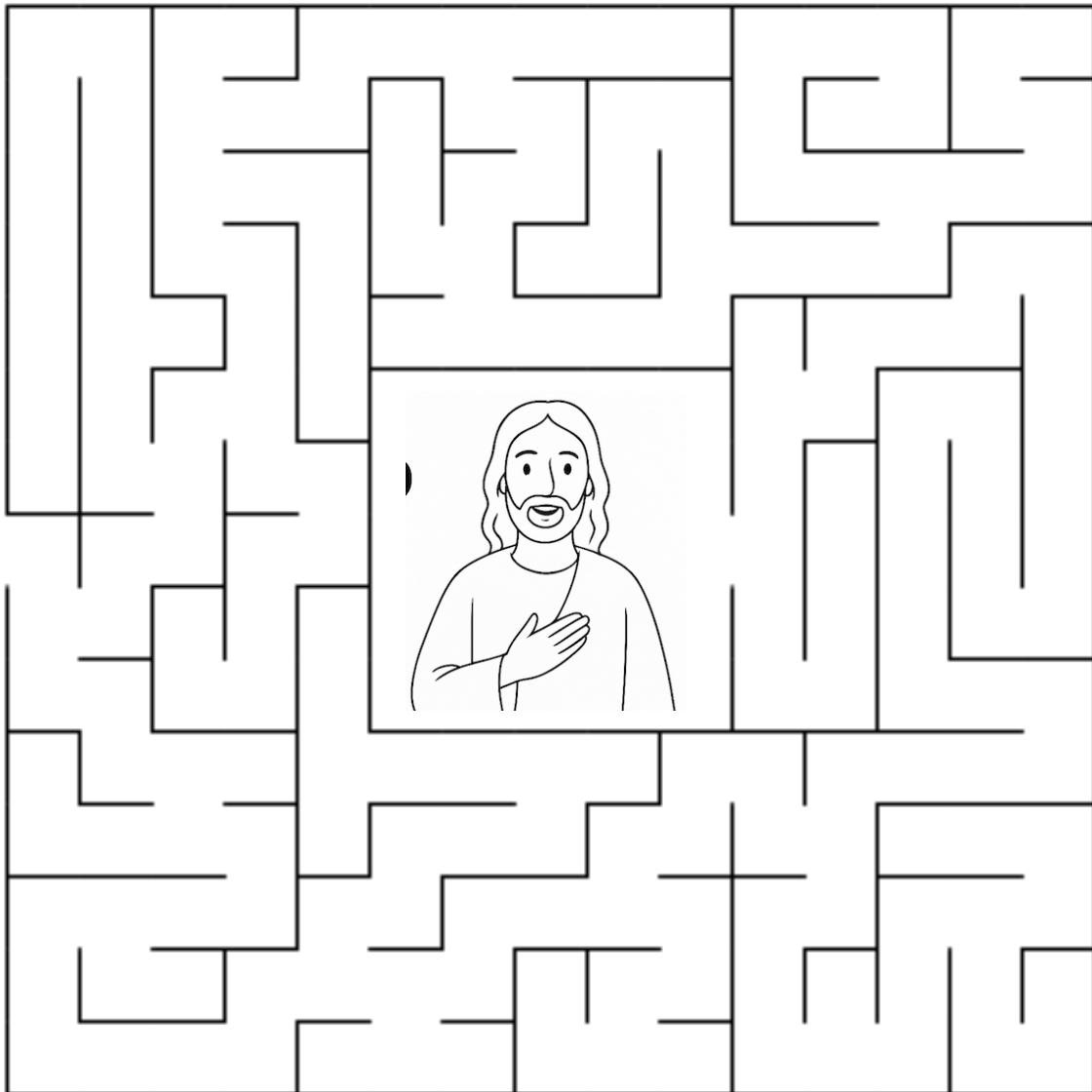
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Follow the path to Jesus. Jesus is the way to eternal life.

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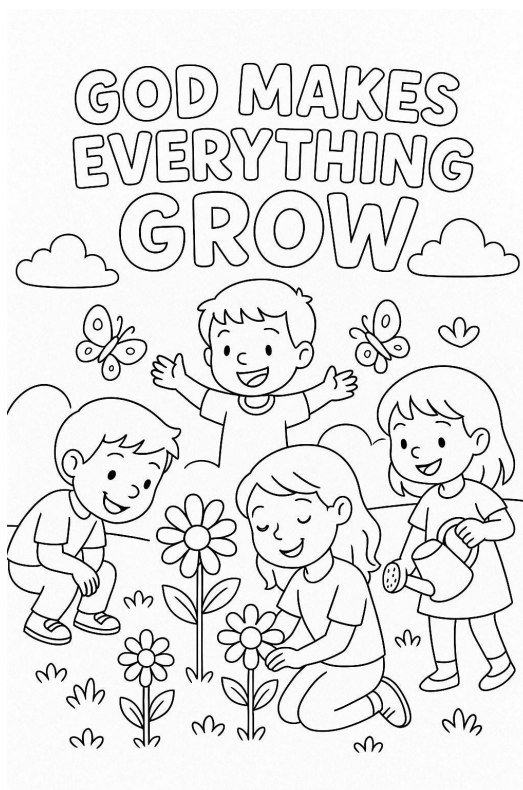
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Crossword – Key

Across

- 2. Lord
- 4. Afraid
- 5. New
- 7. Strength
- 8. Trust
- 9. Hope
- 10. God

Down

- 1. Life
- 3. Living
- 6. Work
- 7. Strong

Cryptogram – Answer

God is the God of the living.