



# FOR THE KING

## HEALING HANDS INTERNATIONAL VBS CURRICULUM

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Equip your children's ministry with a customizable four-day curriculum from Healing Hands International, featuring lessons on serving others by being obedient to God, our King.



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This document is an overview of what to expect from the full VBS curriculum. Please contact Healing Hands International to find out how to get the full curriculum. Contact information is on the last page of this document.

This curriculum covers five of the HHI programs, using them as mission points designed to illustrate why and how we do things for others: We do them **For the King**. Each program is highlighted using a story from the Bible and gives students the opportunity to interact with the program in a hands-on way. The curriculum includes instructions for skits, crafts, games, and activities, an adult/teen class curriculum, and mission-oriented activities that correlate with the stories and the programs of HHI. Our kit contains options for including your entire congregation.

We have included activities, skits, and class curriculum for all ages. The skits may be done with live actors or puppets if your congregation has puppets available. If you choose to use the skits with live actors, we would suggest incorporating this into the opening portion of each day. If you choose to use puppets as a rotation, we would suggest combining the games and crafts rotation and picking one of the activities that best suits each age group. Each day of the curriculum has several game and craft ideas so that you can pick what works for your congregation with the manpower you have to assist you!

**Our hope with this curriculum is that children will be exposed to the world outside of their communities and see that we are all called to serve those in need, and, most importantly, that they will understand why this calling is important: Everything we do, we do For the King.**

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**Key Text:** *"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me'" (Matthew 25:40).*



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# SAMPLE SCHEDULE

## 5 GROUPS

Pre-K – K  
1st – 2nd Grade  
3rd – 4th Grade  
5th – 6th Grade  
Teens & Adults

## 3 HOURS

30 minutes in opening  
1 hour of missions activity  
1 hour in rotations  
20 minutes to transition activities  
10 minutes to spare

## ROTATIONS

Puppets (optional)  
Bible Story  
Games  
Crafts  
Snack

## O V E R V I E W

*In this VBS, we will learn that Jesus is our King, and we are His children. That makes us royalty! But this is a very different Kingdom than we see in the world around us. With each lesson, the kids will learn what it means to be sons and daughters of King Jesus. Below are the Bible stories paired with each lesson.*



### CLEAN WATER

Opening: Woman at the Well

Rotations:

- Bible Story
- Games
- Crafts
- Snack

Missions Activity: Walk4Water



### HUNGER TO HARVEST & DISASTER RESPONSE

Opening: Joseph and the Famine

Rotations:

- Bible Story
- Games
- Crafts
- Snack

Missions Activity: Seed Packing



### WOMEN OF HOPE

Opening: Dorcas and Her Talents

Rotations:

- Bible Story
- Games
- Crafts
- Snack

Missions Activity: Sewing Project



### MAGI PROJECT

Opening: A Visit from the Magi

Rotations:

- Bible Story
- Games
- Crafts
- Snack

Missions Activity: Packing MAGI Boxes





# B I B L E S T O R I E S

*In addition to our general teaching text, we have provided unique Bible stories to show the children that these values are grounded in the experiences of others before us.*

## ● CLEAN WATER

**Text:** John 4:1-30

Students will see King Jesus interact with a woman that no one else liked because of where she lived and some bad decisions she had made. Jesus showed her that He loved her in spite of all of this and that she, too, could be a daughter of the King!

**Memory Verse:** Matthew 25:36

**Key Takeaway:** Sometimes, it is tempting to judge people based on how they dress or mistakes they have made. But, being a part of Jesus' Kingdom means that we invite everyone to experience His love and saving grace.

## ● HUNGER TO HARVEST & DISASTER RESPONSE

**Text:** Genesis 41:46-49, 53-57

Students will learn how a man named Joseph provided for his family and a whole country through a famine by relying on God's faithfulness and forgiveness of mistakes.

**Memory Verse:** Matthew 25:35

**Key Takeaway:** As sons and daughters of the King, we are called to rely on God's faithfulness for provision and for forgiveness.

## ● WOMEN OF HOPE

**Text:** Acts 9:36-43

Students will learn how a woman named Dorcas used her talents to glorify God and serve others.

**Memory Verse:** Matthew 25:34

**Key Takeaway:** As sons and daughters of King Jesus, we have all been given special talents. God wants each of us to use these talents to glorify Him and serve others. Your gift may be different from your friend's, but all of our talents are important and needed.

## ● MAGI PROJECT

**Text:** Matthew 2:1-12

Students will see that King Jesus' birth was very different from any other king. He was born into very humble circumstances, and yet, some important people traveled very far to bring Him gifts that were fit for a King!

**Memory Verse:** Matthew 25:40

**Key Takeaway:** The Kingdom of Jesus is an upside-down Kingdom. He was born to two young, poor parents who lived in a very small town, yet His life began with receiving some extravagant gifts. And throughout all of His ministry, giving to those in need was a key component.





## P U P P E T S / S K I T S

*Each puppet skit will be built around characters in King James's court. Their entertaining antics will deliver poignant messages that can be tied back to the Bible story for the night.*

### Key Characters:

King James

Jester

Cook

Gardener

Knight

Prince

Princess

Several Townspeople

### CLEAN WATER

In this skit, the royal jester makes a big mistake that causes the kingdom's well to be contaminated. Some of the court members get angry, but some of them choose to forgive the jester and work together to fix the problem. The kids will learn that in Jesus's kingdom, everyone can have forgiveness!

### HUNGER TO HARVEST & DISASTER RESPONSE

In this skit, we meet the royal gardener in the king's court. Every day, he provides ingredients for the royal cook to make delicious meals for those living in the king's court. But one day, the gardener realizes there are some in the kingdom who are hungry. The kids will learn that there is enough in Jesus's Kingdom for everyone, and we are blessed when we share with those in need.

### WOMEN OF HOPE

In this skit, all of the characters in the king's court are preparing for his special birthday feast. Each member of the court has a talent that allows them to contribute towards honoring the king, but some of them think their talent is more important than the others. In the end, the kids will learn that the king is pleased when we use any and all of our talents to serve Him.

### MAGI PROJECT

In this skit, a special holiday is approaching. King James realizes that the prince and princess of the kingdom have a pretty nasty case of the "gimmies," so he plans a special opportunity to teach them about the joy of giving. The kids will learn that Jesus' Kingdom is an upside-down Kingdom where those who want to be great should become the least!



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## CRAFTS & GAMES

*Kit will include several craft and activity ideas for kids of different ages.  
Here are a few of the ideas that are included.*



### CLEAN WATER

**Activity:** Children will decorate coin jars to collect change for Walk4Water.

**Key takeaway:** No amount is too small to make a difference. Just like a small stream can carve through a mountain over time, everything we give to God can be multiplied in His hands.



### HUNGER TO HARVEST & DISASTER RESPONSE

**Activity:** Children will paint a pot that they will plant during activity time.

**Key takeaway:** Just like clay pots, the Lord shapes us into the vessels He needs us to be so that we can pour out blessings on others! Plants need a safe place to grow and some support during their growth cycle. We can help support others as they grow by doing things like encouraging them, praying for them, and supporting organizations like HHI that work to provide resources, such as education and tools, to people in need.



### WOMEN OF HOPE

**Activity:** Children will design and write prayer cards to be given out at HHI women's business training seminars.

**Key takeaway:** Everyone needs encouragement to flourish! Just like Dorcas supported the apostles in their work, we can support ladies who are working to support their families around the world by praying for them.



### MAGI PROJECT






**Activity:** Children will paint wooden gift boxes that they will fill with gifts to share during activity time.

**Key takeaway:** The Magi brought beautiful gifts to baby Jesus, and each of us has a gift to bring, too! Boxes may be a good way to transport gifts, but if we keep our gifts in a box, they are no good. When we open up the box to share our gifts with others, we are honoring the God that has given them. We lay our gifts at Jesus' feet, just like the Magi did.



## F O R T E E N S & A D U L T S

*We will look at different ways the King calls us to do something,  
and we will also read a story about people in the Bible who were called.*

-  **INTRO:** For the King, we do His bldding.  
  
Key passages: 2 Corinthians 5:20, Matthew 25:31-46, James 2:14-26, Ephesians 4:2-10, and John 13:34-35
-  **CLEAN WATER:** For the King, we welcome everyone.  
  
Key passage: John 4:4-28
-  **HUNGER TO HARVEST & DISASTER RESPONSE:** For the King, we care for those in need.  
  
Key passages: Genesis 41:46-49, 53-57
-  **WOMEN OF HOPE:** For the King, we use our talents.  
  
Key passages: Acts 9:36-43, Acts 16:9-15, 38-40
-  **MAGI PROJECT:** For the King, we give generously.  
  
Key passage: Matthew 2:1-12



## M I S S I O N S

*Each kit will include instructions and the necessary items for the requested mission categories.*



### **CLEAN WATER**

**Walk4Water:** Walk4Water is a fundraising program within HHI that helps support its Clean Water program. The goal is to bring the life-saving gift of clean water to those who need it so desperately by walking to raise money to build water wells.



### **HUNGER TO HARVEST & DISASTER RESPONSE**

**Seed Packing:** By participating in a seed-packing event, you are directly fighting against hunger in countries around the world. A seed-packing event is the starting point for providing food and access to the Gospel for communities around the world. In this event, you will see and learn the direct benefits of sustainable agriculture in other cultures. In order to gain a greater understanding of the impact of disasters, there will also be a game included at the end of the seed-packing.



### **WOMEN OF HOPE**

**Sewing Project:** For women in poverty-stricken areas, learning a skill can be an essential tool that can be used to support a family. By participating in Women of Hope's sewing event, you can use your God-given skills to bring opportunities for young girls across the globe.



### **MAGI PROJECT**

**Packing MAGI Boxes:** By packing MAGI boxes, this event gives communities the hands-on and relational opportunities to practice showing generosity to others. By using our hands-on packing list and other resources, you have an opportunity to Make A Godly Impact throughout the world by meeting the physical needs of a child living in poverty.



## I N C L U D E D   R E S O U R C E S

*The VBS Kit includes the following:*

- **1 PRINTED DIRECTOR'S GUIDE, INCLUDING ALL CONTENT**
- **2 PRINTED TEACHERS' GUIDES, INCLUDING BIBLE LESSONS**
- **2 PRINTED TEEN/ADULT CLASS TEACHERS' GUIDES**
- **SKITS FOR PUPPET SHOWS/ACTORS TO COMPLEMENT THE BIBLE STORY**
- **BIBLE STORY SKITS FOR EACH LESSON**
- **CRAFT AND ACTIVITY IDEAS WITH INSTRUCTIONS**
- **MISSIONS ACTIVITY IDEAS WITH INSTRUCTIONS**
- **INTERNATIONAL SNACK IDEAS AND RECIPES**
- **DIGITAL PDF OF PACKET**
- **ACCESS TO WEBPAGE WITH ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND TEMPLATES**



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**mission:** Our mission is to aid, equip, and empower those in need around the world in the name of Jesus Christ so they might experience God's healing grace.

**vision:** Our vision is a world that is full of hope where physical needs are met and hearts are surrendered to Jesus Christ.



# THANK YOU

*for your interest in our curriculum!*

For more information on this VBS curriculum and how you can use it at your church, please reach out to Sean Judge at [sjudge@hhi.org](mailto:sjudge@hhi.org).

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