



Abiding in Jesus

Scope & Sequence

Abiding in Jesus challenges youth to live in daily dependence on Jesus. The 28-week study begins with the Gospel presented clearly and a discussion about what a new identity in Christ looks like. Students then focus on what it means to abide in Jesus through different situations such as sorrow or success, and trust Him for provisions of grace, guidance, or the future. Joy is found in His presence when Christians are at peace with God through Jesus.

Students will learn that when they are at peace with God through Jesus, they will find joy in His presence while living in daily dependence on Him. When a believer lives in daily dependence on Jesus, looking to the cross for forgiveness and grace, his life overflows in the true fruit of righteous living and genuine good works.

In the *Abiding in Jesus* study, lessons alternate between large-group teaching times and small group discussions. Personal application is stressed through small group application and the student journal. A Fellowship Time also gives students the opportunity to encourage one another in groups of two or three to trust Jesus and abide in Him daily.

Lesson 1: Ashamed in the Presence of God

Various Passages

Sin causes us to be ashamed in the presence of an all-knowing God.

Lesson 2: Peace with God Through Jesus

Peace with God Through Faith (Romans 5)

By grace through faith in Christ, man has peace with God and becomes a new creation.

Lesson 3: Daily Fellowship with Jesus

Mary and Martha (Luke 10)

Even Christians who find joy in the presence of Jesus are easily distracted and must develop a daily habit of consciously being aware of His presence.

Lesson 4: A New Identity in Christ: God's Treasured Possession

Various Passages

Those chosen by God to receive Jesus as Savior become the children of God.

Lesson 5: A New Identity in Christ: Heir

Spiritual Blessings in Christ (Ephesians 1)

Christ's death has purchased for the Christian a present and a future inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

Lesson 6: A New Identity in Christ: Member of the Covenant Community

The New Self (Colossians 3)

As individual members of God's covenant community, Christians are to encourage each other and resist divisions among the body.

Lesson 7: A New Identity in Christ: Partaker of the Divine Nature

Dead to Sin (Romans 6)

By His power and grace God has granted the Christian to be a partaker in the divine nature and to daily die to sin.

Lesson 8: Living in Daily Dependence on Jesus

Bread from Heaven (Exodus 16)

We were created to live in daily dependence on Jesus.

Lesson 9: Dependency on the Cross The Law and Sin (Romans 7)

Living in repentance and faith before the cross daily brings victory to Christians battling sin.

Lesson 10: Abiding and Obedience Various Passages

Love for God is accompanied by joyful obedience.

Lesson 11: Abiding and Bearing Fruit I Am the True Vine (John 15)

True believers will demonstrate genuine fruit even in difficult situations, but false believers will not bear genuine fruit and will be condemned.

Lesson 12: Abiding and Prayer Various Passages

The Christian who is abiding in Jesus, and in whom Jesus' words are abiding, will be continually praying pleasing prayers to God.

Lesson 13: Satisfied in Jesus Various Passages

Jesus gives us true satisfaction by delivering us from the self-centered, adulterous desires that compete to control our hearts.

Lesson 14: Trusting God's Heart for You Instructions to Timothy (2 Timothy 4)

God's heart is always for His people, and His children must trust in His goodness and resist false interpretations of His actions.

Lesson 15: Trusting God's Word Various Passages

Trusting in the completely reliable Word of God involves acting on the Word.

Lesson 16: Committing All Things to Jesus The Righteous Will Never Be Moved (Psalm 112)

Christians are freed from the anxiety, fear, anger, and despair caused by dwelling on problems, because they can find peace and victory in committing all things to Jesus.

Lesson 17: Trusting Jesus in Sorrow How Long, O LORD (Psalm 13)

Christians find comfort in their sorrow when they commit their sorrow to Jesus and trust in the promises of the God who walks with them in their sorrow.

Lesson 18: Trusting Jesus in Failure Various Passages

Though followers of Christ will be persecuted because of their identification with Christ, they can rejoice because their reward will be great in heaven.

Lesson 19: Trusting Jesus in Discipline Do Not Grow Weary (Hebrews 12)

God disciplines His children in love for their good.

Lesson 20: Trusting for Grace Various Passages

God gives grace to His children when they live in humble dependence on Jesus.

Lesson 21: Trusting Jesus to Provide Give Generously/Cheerful Giver (2 Corinthians 8-9)

God faithfully provides for His children, so Christians are released from worry and free to give generously to others.

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Lesson 22: Trusting Jesus for Guidance Marks of the True Christian (Romans 12)

God can be trusted to guide His children through His Word, providential circumstances, and the wise counsel of mature Christians as they acknowledge Him in all of life.

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Lesson 23: Trusting Jesus in Success Remember the LORD Your God (Deuteronomy 8)

Jesus is honored by our humble, dependent, thankful hearts in success, and when we rejoice in the true success of having our names written in heaven.

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Lesson 24: Trusting Jesus for the Future Mystery and Victory (1 Corinthians 15)

Remembering God's faithfulness in the past is a means of increasing our faith in God's future grace.

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Lesson 25: Waiting on God My Help and My Deliverer (Psalm 40)

God teaches His children to trust Him as they wait for His perfect timing; He rewards those who wait for Him in faith.

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Lesson 26: Trusting God in the Silence Send out Your Light and Truth (Psalm 43)

God deepens faith even in the times of silence as His children learn to inform their hearts with truth.

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Lesson 27: Comforting Others God of All Comfort (2 Corinthians 1)

Christians are called to comfort others by encouraging them to abide in the God of all comfort.

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Lesson 28: Trusting Jesus in the Judgment Various Passages

Christians can have confidence that on the Judgment Day, Jesus will defend those who abide in Him, but those who are not trusting in Jesus will have no defense before God.

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