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Daily Reading Questions

Note: The questions were written from the wording in the NIV 1984. If you are using a different Bible translation, they may have to be adapted.

Digging Deeper: What happens to us when we choose to sin?

Reading 1: 1 John 3:4-10 When we sin we are following the devil.

What is sin? What does that mean? Why is sin of the devil? What happens when we are born of God?

Reading 2: 1 John 3:11-15 In sin we remain in death.

Why did Cain kill Abel? What causes us to remain in death? What shows that we have passed from death to life?

Reading 3: Proverbs 26:24-27 In sin our wickedness will be exposed.

What does it mean to be malicious? What is a malicious person like? What will happen to a malicious person?

Reading 4: Titus 3:3-11 In sin we are enslaved and condemn ourselves.

What are we like in our sinful nature? How do we overcome that?

Reading 5: James 4:1-4 In sin we are enemies with God.

What causes fights and quarrels? What does it mean to have friendship with the world? What do we show about ourselves when we have friendship with the world?

Reading 6: Jeremiah 17:13-14 Thinking about choices

Think about what leads you into sin. Reflect on how you have a choice to think about and then do the things of God or to dwell on wrong thinking and do what is wrong.



UPPER ELEMENTARY-ADULT

LEVEL 4

HOME JOURNAL

LESSON 26



THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

Why did Cain murder Abel?

MEMORY VERSE

1 John 3:12

¹²(Do not be) as Cain *who* was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's righteous.

Parent Notes

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of your child, or parent preference, he/she may do the work in this journal independently or complete it with the parent. After reading the day's Bible passage, the student should identify an important truth that relates to that reading and answer the question why he/she needs to know that truth. It would be beneficial if the parent and student also read through and answer the questions about the day's reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week's big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory.
- **Concluding Lesson:** To develop deeper understanding and a comprehensive biblical worldview, the parent should talk through with the student the **Thinking It Through** questions at the back of the booklet and then have the student write out the answers.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day's work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn't always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.*

Concluding Lesson—Thinking It Through

Discuss these questions with a parent then write out your answers below.

- What is an important truth you learned from the Bible readings this week?
- How should that truth be lived out in your life?
- What would be the result of your living out that truth?
- What is a lie or deception people believe in terms of that truth?
- Why does that lie or deception appeal to people?
- What would be the result of believing and following that lie or deception?

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What is an important truth from the passage?

Why do you need to know that truth?

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Cain followed Satan and chose to do evil.

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DIGGING DEEPER

This week in your daily Bible readings you will be digging deeper. You will be reading passages describing what happens when we choose to sin. As you read pray that your mind would be open to understand more fully the evil of sin and the power that you have through Christ to live rightly. The questions for each reading are on the back cover. They will help you think more deeply about each passage.

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