

# Gather 'Round Memory Verses

## 2010–11

### Fall 2010:

God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

—Genesis 9:12–13

### Winter 2010–11:

But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.”

—Luke 2:10–12 (weeks 1–6)

“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

—Luke 6:27, 31 (weeks 7–14)

### Spring 2011:

“For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves.”

—Luke 22:27 (weeks 1–7)

“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.

—Luke 24:5b (weeks 8–9)

“Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.”

—Acts 2:46–47a (weeks 10–13)

### Summer 2011:

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock.”

—Matthew 7:24–25 (weeks 1–8)

“I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.”

—John 10:14 (weeks 9–13)

## **2009–10**

### **Fall 2009:**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.  
—Psalm 98:4 (weeks 1–5)

But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.  
—Isaiah 40:31 (weeks 6–13)

### **Winter 2009–10:**

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”  
—John 3:16–17 (weeks 1–7)

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”  
—John 6:35 (weeks 8–13)

### **Spring 2010:**

“I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”  
—John 13:34–35

### **Summer 2010:**

“Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.”  
—Ruth 1:16b (weeks 1–7)

But this command I gave them, “Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and you shall be my people; and walk only in the way that I command you, so that it may be well with you.”  
—Jeremiah 7:23 (weeks 8–13)

## **2008–09**

### **Fall 2008:**

There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.

— 1 Samuel 2:2 (weeks 1–7)

And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

— Micah 6:8b (weeks 8–13)

### **Winter 2008–09:**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.”

— Mark 1:9–11

### **Spring 2009:**

“Which commandment is the first of all?” Jesus answered, “The first is, ‘Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

— Mark 12:28b–31

### **Summer 2009:**

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.

— Galatians 5:22–23

## **2007–08**

### **Fall 2007:**

1. You shall have no other gods before me.
2. You shall not make for yourself an idol.
3. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.
4. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.
5. Honor your father and your mother.
6. You shall not murder.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's house, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

— Exodus 22:3–17 (abridged)

### **Winter 2007–08:**

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.  
“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.  
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.  
“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.  
“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.  
“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.  
“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”  
— Matthew 5:3–12

### **Spring 2008:**

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it [and] gave it to the disciples . . . Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them.  
— Matthew 26:26a, 27a (weeks one to six, abridged for youngest age groups)

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
— Matthew 26:26–28 (weeks 1–6)

Jesus said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”  
— Matthew 28:18b–20 (weeks 7–13)

## **2006–07**

### **Fall 2006:**

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

— Deuteronomy 6:4–9

### **Winter 2006–07:**

“My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.”

— Luke 1:46b–47 (weeks 1–5)

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

— Luke 4:18–19 (weeks 6–13)

### **Spring 2007:**

People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them; and when the disciples saw it, they sternly ordered them not to do it. But Jesus called for them and said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.”

— Luke 18:15–17 (weeks 1–6)

Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

— Acts 2:38, 41–42 (weeks 7–13)

### **Summer 2007:**

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us. We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

— Psalm 78:1–4