

**ANTIOCH SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL**  
*Spiritual Development and Discipleship Training*

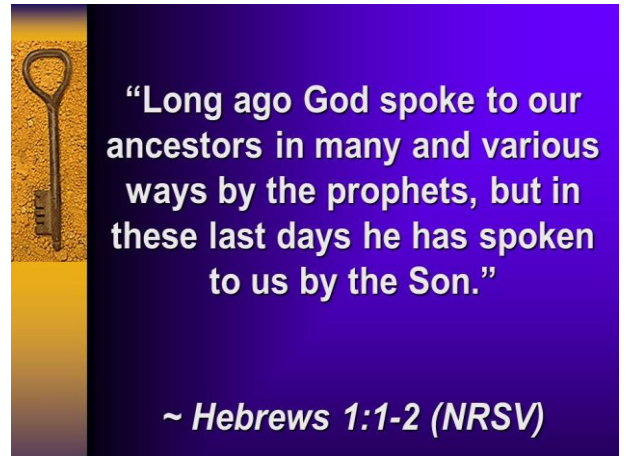
**UNIT III – THE BEGINNING OF A CALL**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2020**

**TOPIC: FULFILLING ONE'S CALLING**

**Lesson Passage: Matthew 1:1-6, 16-17;  
Hebrews 1:1-5**

**Background Passage: Matthew 1:1-17; Hebrews 1**



**UNIFYING TOPIC**

Called through Heritage

**LESSON TEXT**

- I. Fit to Be King (Matthew 1:1-6, 16-17)
- II. Superior Christ (Hebrews 1:1-5)

**THE MAIN THOUGHT**

**Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds. (Hebrews 1:2, KJV)**

**UNIFYING PRINCIPLE**

Where we come from often speaks volumes about what we are like. How are people rooted in what has come before? Hebrews affirms the ultimate origins of Jesus in the very life of God, and Matthew explains how He was the product of His long biblical heritage.

**LESSON AIM**

To learn about Jesus' roots and their contribution to the fulfillment of His calling.

**LIFE AIM**

To take pride in the family roots of the faith and see one's calling.

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**Matthew 28:19-20; 2 Timothy 3:16-17**

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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020**

**TOPIC: CALLED TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROMISE**

**Lesson Passage: Matthew 1:18-25**

**Background Passage: Matthew 1:18-25**

AND SHE WILL BRING  
FORTH A SON. AND YOU  
SHALL CALL HIS NAME  
JESUS. FOR HE WILL  
SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM  
THEIR SINS.



**UNIFYING TOPIC**

Called Before Birth

**LESSON TEXT**

- I. Chosen to Participate (Matthew 1:18-19)
- II. Ministry Buy-in (Matthew 1:20-25)

**THE MAIN THOUGHT**

But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. (Matthew 1:20-21, KJV)

**UNIFYING PRINCIPLE**

A newborn baby inspires us to wonder about the potential of every human life. How do we understand the designs of our lives? Joseph's call to form a family with Mary suggests God calls us to give hope to the world through our families.

**LESSON AIM**

To learn that God makes the impossible possible, asking us in the process to do the improbable.

**LIFE AIM**

To trust the voice of God through uncertainty and even with difficult tasks.

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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2020**

**TOPIC: INTERNATIONAL HONOR FOR THE  
KING OF THE WORLD**

**Lesson Passage: Matthew 2:7-15**

**Background Passage: Matthew 2:7-15**



**UNIFYING TOPIC**

A Regal Response to Holy Light

**LESSON TEXT**

- I. Hitchhiking to Kill (Matthew 2:7-8)
- II. An Award for a Prize Baby (Matthew 2:9-15)

**THE MAIN THOUGHT**

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh. (Matthew 2:11, KJV)

**UNIFYING PRINCIPLE**

As our world gets smaller, we are more and more exposed to people who differ from us in race, culture, and religious values. Where can we find unity in such a world? By summoning Wise Men from far-off lands to worship Jesus, God demonstrated that this newborn King would transcend the differences that divide us.

**LESSON AIM**

To learn the story of the Wise Men who brought gifts to Jesus, the Son of God.

**LIFE AIM**

To demonstrate generosity and wisdom while following the direction of God.

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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2020**

**TOPIC: GET READY**

**Lesson Passage: Matthew 3:1-12**

**Background Passage: Matthew 3**

**UNIFYING TOPIC**

Called to Prepare the Way

**LESSON TEXT**

- I. God's Call to Repentance (Matthew 3:1-5)
- II. The Message for You (Matthew 3:6-12)

**THE MAIN THOUGHT**

**For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. (Matthew 3:3, KJV)**

**UNIFYING PRINCIPLE**

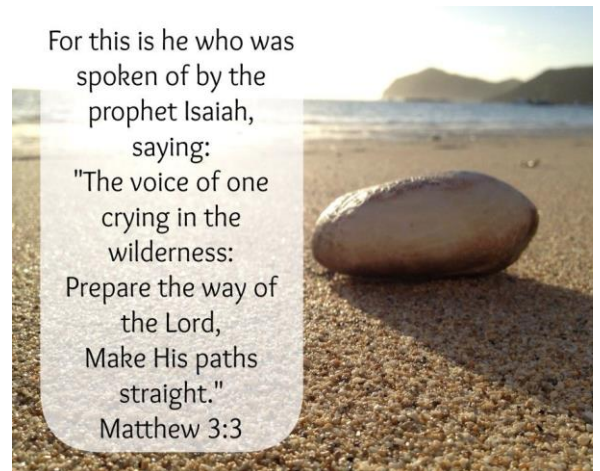
Important projects require thoughtful preparation. What endeavors demand our greatest efforts in preparation? John called for people to repent of their sins and thus be ready to welcome the soon-coming Messiah.

**LESSON AIM**

To learn about John the Baptist's importance in preparing the way for Jesus.

**LIFE AIM**

To live a life of repentance, turning from sin and seeking God's continued forgiveness.



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prophet Isaiah,  
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Matthew 3:3

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