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Help for Life's Jour

*Discipleship Ideas* exists to help you cultivate strong disciples of all ages through intentional Bible education.

To grow spiritually healthy kids from birth, **Sunlight Kids** is your best resource (page 7).

Keep older kids involved during summer break with **MEGA Sports Camp® Breaking Free** and **SonWest Roundup** (page 9). Plus, nothing motivates them to study God's Word better than the **Fire Bible for Kids** (page 11). It's a sure bet!

The new **GAP curriculum** (page 13) lets you disciple a difficult demographic effectively: college grads and professionals. Plus, check out the transformative new small group study for women—**Redeemed!**—on page 15.

**Strong disciples make a healthy church!**

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Care for God's World • Help Others  
Care and Listen

UNITS

• God the Holy Spirit  
• The Armor of God  
• Books of Major Prophets

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**My Healthy Church** resources are uniquely focused on spiritual health. Each product promotes growth in one or more of five areas: Community, Evangelism, Discipleship, Compassion, and Worship.

## It's the Whole Church.

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## It's Wholly Field-Driven.

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For more information about all the resources featured in *Discipleship Ideas*, visit **MyHealthyChurch.com** or call **1-855-642-2011**.

### ORDERING INFORMATION

*Discipleship Ideas* comes to you every quarter, filled with great resources<sup>†</sup> for building disciples of all ages. For additional copies of *Discipleship Ideas*, call 1.855.642.2011.

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**A QUICK LOOK**

# *DISCIPLINE STAGES*

As your church wins people to Jesus, making sure you have a strategy for effective discipleship becomes increasingly important. Before you choose your method(s), it's important to understand the stages every new believer, no matter their age, goes through as they mature in Christ. You'll know you've implemented a stellar church-wide discipleship strategy when you have people growing in each of these areas:

**1. Not in Christ—Not sure about God.** These are people who have not yet responded to the message of God's salvation through Christ. These "pre-Christians" need believers to live the Christian life before them.

**2. In Christ—Beginning to pursue God.** Here are people who have accepted Jesus as their Savior. They are newborn babes in Christ. They need information and living examples that will help them make godly choices. They are called "crawlers."

**3. Growing in Christ—Pursuing God.** These people are now working at following Christ. They understand that discipleship is the normal process for all Christians. They are seeking to know God through prayer, Bible study, and godly relationships. These are "walkers."

**4. Maturing in Christ—Actively pursuing God, actively serving others and actively pursuing others to join with them.** They understand that the church service or lesson may not be for them personally, but it is sent from God and valuable. They know how to feed themselves spiritually. They are involved in serving, leading classes and encouraging others. They are "runners."

**5. Spiritual Parents—Intentionally producing other disciples.** Like physical parents, these people have come to the place that they are willing to sacrifice their own desires, so that someone else is fed and nurtured. They are creating disciples at every level, including helping to train leaders to serve.

As new believers become spiritual parents, the discipleship process starts all over. Authentic discipleship has no end. Becoming Christ-like is always the goal—the objective of every effective discipleship strategy.

## TOP 10 REASONS Churches Use *Sunday School* for Discipleship

1. It reaches every age group with appropriate portions of spiritual food.
2. It challenges people to move forward in their Christian walk.
3. It helps define biblical truths for personal application.
4. It models a real relationship with Christ through a teacher.
5. It establishes real connections with other Christians.
6. It teaches daily discipleship habits through Bible study and prayer.
7. It allows people to discuss and think through their actions and reactions to the Word of God.
8. It helps people use their gifts—finding places to get involved.
9. It offers opportunities for people to serve the community.
10. It happens "on campus." This is economical for families and fosters a sense of unity within the church body.



## Check out our Summer 2013 unit themes.

*Radiant Life* curriculum provides a proven way to systematically disciple and educate believers of all ages.



## NURSERY

ONE-YEAR CYCLE

Noah and the Ark

Baby Moses

Samuel Is a Helper



## TODDLERS & TWOS

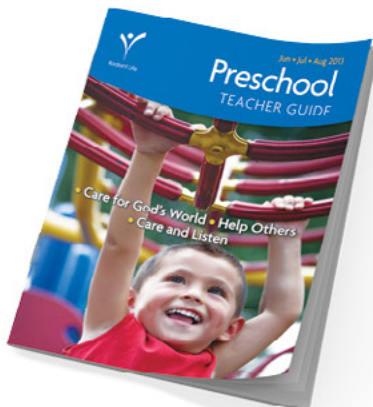
TWO-YEAR CYCLE

God Made the World

God Made Food

God Made Animals

God Made People



## PRESCHOOL & BEGINNING EXPLORERS

TWO-YEAR CYCLE

Care for God's World

Help Others

Care and Listen



# MORE, PLEASE!

The best way to disciple little ones is simply to do it over...and over...and over.

You may get bored repeating the same lesson week after week. But to this age group, it takes consistent repetition for them to learn. So remember to sing the songs and tell the Bible story with enthusiasm. By the end of the month, even your littlest ones will begin to remember the Bible story, the songs, and even the Bible Words.

—Taken from the *Sunlight Kids Coordinator Manual*.

Learn about Sunlight Kids at [www.MyHealthyChurch.com](http://www.MyHealthyChurch.com)



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- For ages 0-36 months

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## Summer 2013 Radiant Life Themes

For complete descriptions of each unit theme, go to [MyHealthyChurch.com/RadiantLife](http://MyHealthyChurch.com/RadiantLife) to view the *Radiant Life* theme chart.



### KINDERGARTEN

TWO-YEAR CYCLE

The First Church  
The Church Grows  
Stories about Paul



### PRIMARY

THREE-YEAR CYCLE

Paul, a Changed Man  
Paul, a Prisoner for Jesus

### TINY BRIEFCASE.

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—TRY—

**MEGA Sports Camp® Breaking Free**



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You love timeless, classic discipleship that works as hard as you do.

—TRY—

**SonWest Roundup**



This traditional VBS lets you celebrate the fun of being buckaroos with food, games, music, crafts—and amazing true stories that point you and your kids to Jesus. It's an exciting experience that takes kids down the trail through Old Testament stories of Moses to discover God's ultimate plan of salvation in Jesus. Saddle up today and head on over to SonWest Roundup 2013 VBS for a rip-roarin' good time! Kit contents online: [www.MyHealthyChurch.com](http://www.MyHealthyChurch.com)

Super starter kit. **\$199.99**

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### MIDDLER

TWO-YEAR CYCLE

- The Church
- I Am a Witness
- God Helps with Our Problems



### PRETEEN

TWO-YEAR CYCLE

- God the Holy Spirit
- The Armor of God
- Books of Major Prophets



### YOUNG TEEN

THREE-YEAR CYCLE

- In the Beginning God Said
- My Daily Voyage with God
- Spiritual Champions

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### HIGH SCHOOL

FOUR-YEAR CYCLE

- No Compromise
- Out of Control
- Finding God's Will



### YOUNG ADULT

GRADUATES & PROFESSIONALS (GAP)  
SEVEN-YEAR CYCLE

#### **Practical Christianity: Where the Rubber Meets the Road**

- Handling Money
- Moral Answers for a Questioning World
- Knowing God



### ADULT

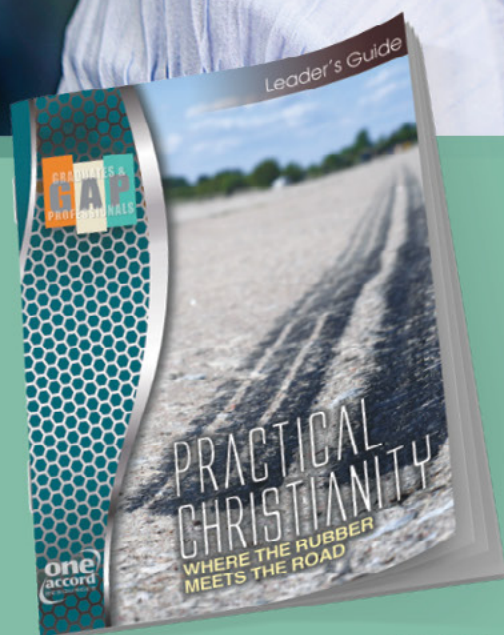
SEVEN-YEAR CYCLE

- Triumph of Christ's Kingdom (Daniel and Revelation)
- Help for Life's Journey

Life is **BIG.**

God is

**BIGGER.**



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## Revise los títulos de nuestras unidades de junio a agosto 2013.

El currículo paralelo *Radiant Life/Vida Nueva* provee el mismo discipulado de excelente calidad para alumnos de habla hispana de toda edad.

Para una descripción de cada unidad, visite [www.MyHealthyChurch.com/VidaNueva](http://www.MyHealthyChurch.com/VidaNueva) para ver la tabla de esquemas temáticos de Debido al alza del costo de producción, los precios de Vida Nueva han subido por primera vez desde 2009. Véase la nueva lista de precios.

JUNIO A AGOSTO 2013

### PRIMEROS PASOS

Cuido del mundo de Dios  
Ayudo a otros  
Ayudo y escucho

### TESOROS DEL REY

La primera iglesia  
Crecimiento de la iglesia  
Historias de Pablo

### MIS AMIGOS

Pablo, un hombre nuevo  
Pablo, prisionero por Cristo

### EL COMPAÑERO

La Iglesia  
Yo soy testigo  
La ayuda de Dios

### EL EXPLORADOR

Sin lugar a transigencias (Daniel)  
Sin control: hábitos que destruyen  
Cómo conocer la voluntad de Dios

### EL EMBAJADOR

Pasajes difíciles de la Biblia  
Sabiduría de ayer para el mundo de hoy  
En búsqueda de la voluntad de Dios

### ADULTO

El triunfo de Cristo (Daniel y Apocalipsis)  
Ayudas para la vida

## Qué hago! ¡Mis alumnos entienden cuando hablo español pero prefieren leer inglés!

*¡Vida Nueva y Radiant Life* tienen la solución! Prepare su clase de escuela dominical con la Guía del Maestro en español y deje que sus alumnos usen los libros y las hojas de trabajo en inglés que publica Radiant Life. ¡Sí, el material es paralelo, de Primeros Pasos hasta El Compañero, los mismos temas en inglés y en español! Ahora usted tiene la posibilidad de fomentar el aprendizaje bilingüe, de acuerdo a sus propias necesidades y las de sus alumnos.



# God's Grace Can Change Your Life Completely!



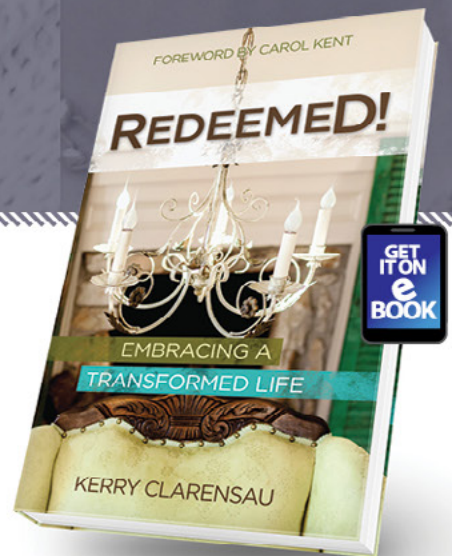
Nothing is more beautiful than a redeemed life.

- KERRY CLARENSAU

Your struggles, your hurts, your relationships—He wants to redeem them all!

*Redeemed!* shows you how to have an all-consuming relationship with God. Read it and watch the DVD with a small group to work through transformation together.

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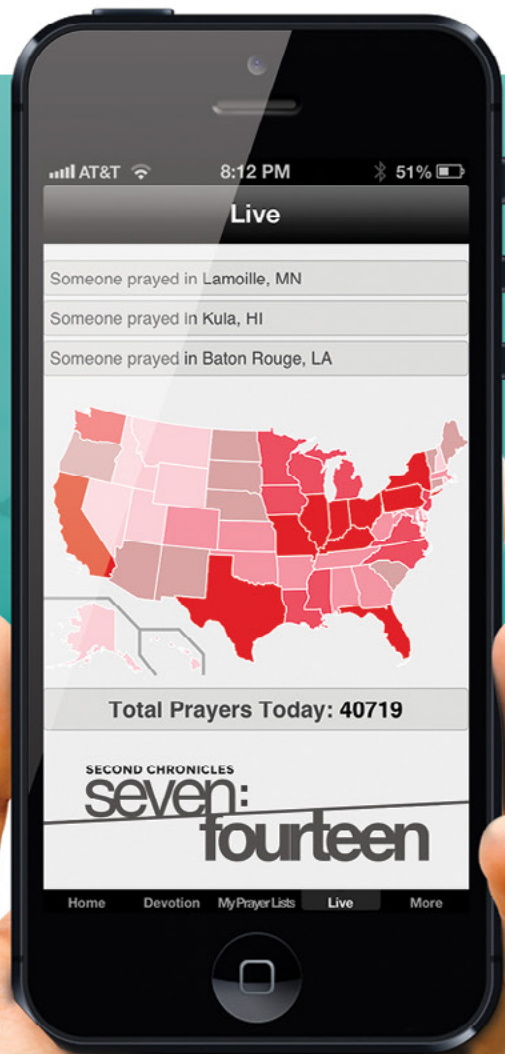
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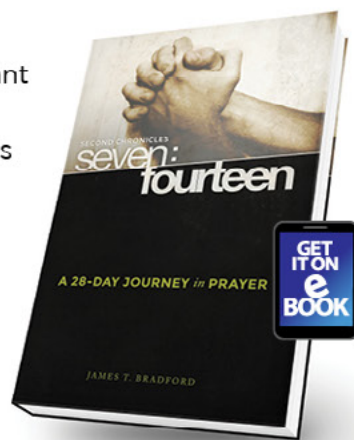
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