



# Adam and Eve Disobey

Lesson Aim: To know God wants us to obey Him.

## THE WORSHIP

**Who God Is:** The God Who Provides

## THE WORD

**Bible Story:** Genesis 3:1-13

**What He Has Done:** God gave fair punishment to Adam, Eve, and the serpent.

## THE WAY

**Whisper Verse:** "Be careful to obey."

## BIBLE MEMORY VERSE

"I will always obey Your law forever and ever. I will walk about in freedom." Psalm 119:44-45a

Unit 6: The God Who Provides			
	Bible Story	What He Has Done	Lesson Aim
27	Adam and Eve Disobey, Genesis 3:1-13	God gave fair punishment to Adam, Eve and the serpent.	To know God wants us to obey Him.
28	Cain and Abel, Genesis 4:2b-7a	God showed mercy and justice to Cain.	To know God wants us to give our best, to be loving, and not jealous.
29	Noah Builds an Ark, Genesis 6:5, 7-9, 14, 19, 22; 7:16-18, 23-24; 8:1, 7-12; 9:13-15	God provided a way to save Noah and the animals.	To see how Noah trusted and obeyed God's directions for the ark.
30	The Tower of Babel, Genesis 11:1-9	God stopped the builders when they tried to be more powerful than Him.	To build in ways which show God's greatness instead of our own.
31	Abram Goes to a New Land, Genesis 12:1-8	God called Abram and promised to bless him.	To know we can trust and obey God's direction.

## TEACHER'S ENCOURAGEMENT

This week, read Romans 5:12-21. Please join us in praying, "Thank You, Lord, for the forgiveness of sins. Help each child grasp the offense of sin and the mercy provided in Your forgiveness. Amen."



**THE WORSHIP  
THE WORD &  
THE WAY**

Segment	Minutes	Activity	Supplies
THE WELCOME	Up to 15	<b>Treasure Chest</b>	Treasure chest, stamp or sticker of a smiley face
		<b>Whisper Verse</b>	Sign language for "Be careful to obey."
THE WORSHIP	Up to 20	<b>Worship</b> Sheet music and recordings for Bible Memory Verse Songs are available at ResourceWell.org.	<b>Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse Song:</b> "I Will Always Obey Your Law" <b>Other Bible Memory Verse Song Suggestions:</b> "Blessed Are Those" "I Will Listen" "Let Everything That Has Breath" "Love One Another" "Praise Time: Love the Lord Your God" <b>Additional Song Suggestion:</b> "Who Built the Ark?"
		<b>Offering</b>	Baskets
		<b>Worship Illustration</b>	<i>The Adventures of Delbert and Lello</i> puppet script or storybook: God of Wonders Unit 6, Lesson 27
THE WORD	Up to 10	<b>Watch the Word:</b> Genesis 3:1-13	Teacher's Bible with bookmark at Genesis 3:6b Visual: Fruit
THE WAY	Up to 25	<b>Craft:</b> Traffic Light	11-inch x 14-inch strips of sturdy white paper, yarn, crayons or markers
		<b>Game:</b> Red Light, Green Light	None
		<b>Game:</b> The Garden Rule Says	None
		<b>Snack:</b> Garden Fruit	Any fruit snack
	<b>Circle of Prayer</b>	None	
	Final 5	<b>Final Five</b>	Ponder, Pray & Play: Unit 6, Lesson 27 Color This Story: "Adam and Eve Disobeyed"
GOT TIME?	Up to 10	<b>Say &amp; Do:</b> Genesis 3:1-13	None
	Up to 10	<b>Game:</b> Follow The Garden Rules	None
	Up to 10	<b>Game:</b> Freedom Walk	Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse Song "I Will Always Obey Your Law"
	Up to 10	<b>Game:</b> Bible Memory Verse Cheer	None
	Up to 10	<b>Story Time</b>	Any story about obeying God

**RESOURCES:** Supplemental materials are available at ResourceWell.org.



## Be careful to obey **THE WELCOME**

Welcome each child as they arrive. **Hello \_\_\_\_\_. I am glad you are here! Come open the Treasure Chest to find today's treasure.** Child unlocks the Treasure Chest to receive a stamp or sticker of a smiley face. **Let this stamp (or sticker) of a smiley face remind you how happy we are when we obey God. Today's Whisper Verse is "Be careful to obey."** Teach the Whisper Verse in spoken language and in sign language below. **We call it the Whisper Verse so you can whisper it to others.\***

**SIGN LANGUAGE: "Be careful to obey."**

(For visual demonstrations, see [www.signingsavvy.com](http://www.signingsavvy.com).)

**Each time we say today's Whisper Verse, let's say it with two hand motions:**

**"(Be) careful"** With each hand, place thumb tip between index and third finger (sign of a "K"). Bring hands together (each hand in "K" position) repeatedly; then one of the signs for hold is made with "K" hand shapes.

**"to obey."** Both hands are at forehead and lower down in a gesture of obedience.

Allow children to enjoy free play until everyone has arrived. **Let's sing the "Clean Up Song" as we put toys away before Praise Time.** Praise any child who helps. Allow several minutes for clean up.

**"Clean Up Song": Clean up! Clean up! Everybody, everywhere!  
Clean up! Clean up! Everybody do your share!**

Gather and seat children in Praise Time area.

**\*Today's Whisper Verse:** "Be careful to obey," Deuteronomy 6:3. The Whisper Verse is a tool to help the children learn a major point in the lesson. It is coupled with sign language or hand motions as a memory aid. The verse is not necessarily chosen from today's Bible story.



## The God who provides **THE WORSHIP**

**Teacher Tip:** To help children identify time set aside for worship, designate a special corner or area for singing, collecting offering, and watching the worship illustration. Play “Praise Time: Love the Lord Your God” as children move to that designated area.



**It’s Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the God who provides for us. That means He gives us what we need—including rules to keep us safe and happy. When we listen to God and follow the rules He gives us, we grow closer to Him and to each other.** Sing: “I Will Listen.”

**When God placed Adam and Eve in the garden, He gave them certain rules in order to be safe and happy. God wanted them to be careful to obey those rules. That reminds me of today’s Whisper Verse, “Be careful to obey.” Let’s try it together.** Review the Whisper Verse together. Include sign language. **Let’s turn to each other and say our Whisper Verse to one another.** Children say the Whisper Verse to each other.

**God blesses those who obey Him. As we give our offering today, let’s thank God for our many blessings.** Sing: “Blessed Are Those” as the offering is collected.



**Just as He did with Adam and Eve, God wants us to be careful to obey Him, too. In today’s story, we will learn about a time when Adam and Eve disobeyed God. Let’s see if our friends Delbert and Lello know what happened.** Perform *The Adventures of Delbert and Lello* puppet script or read storybook: God of Wonders Unit 6, Lesson 27.



**God knows what is best for us. That is why we can trust His rules are good. If we love Him, we will always obey His laws. Let’s sing our new Bible Memory Verse and thank God for giving us His rules and laws.** Sing: “I Will Always Obey Your Law.”



Adam and Eve disobey

## THE WORD

Before we begin our Bible Time, let's say our Classroom Promise with the motions.

With my eyes on my teacher,	Point to eyes.
My mouth quiet as can be,	Place index finger over mouth as quiet sign.
I will listen to hear,	Cup hand around ear.
How God loves you and me.	Hug self, point to others, and then self.

Last time, we learned God rested after making the heavens and the earth. Everything was perfect. Today, we will learn about the first time Adam and Eve disobeyed God.

Let's open our Bible to the first book of the Bible, Genesis. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Genesis 3:6b.

### WATCH THE WORD: GENESIS 3:1-13

Read the points below or retell the passage in your own words using the points below as a general guide. To illustrate the story, display a piece of fruit. Other visual options include the craft sample, Color This Story, or any related picture.

- God explained the garden rule to Adam and Eve.
- He told them they could eat the fruit from all but one tree.
- The serpent was clever; he tempted Eve one day.
- He told her she should break the rule and eat it anyway.
  
- Eve knew it was wrong but she ate the fruit.
- She gave it to Adam and he ate it, too.
- Then God called out, "Adam, where are you?"
- Did you do the very thing I told you not to do?"
  
- Adam blamed Eve, "She gave it to me!"
- "What have you done?" God then asked Eve.
- Eve blamed the serpent, "He tricked me and I ate."
- God punished them all because they all had disobeyed.



Adam and Eve were allowed to eat fruit from all but one tree. God told them not to eat it because fruit on that tree was bad for them. How did Adam and Eve disobey God? (They ate the fruit God told them not to eat.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Genesis 3:6b from the teacher's Bible.

**Why were Adam, Eve, and the serpent punished?** (They disobeyed.) **God does not want us to disobey.** Let's say our Whisper Verse together: "Be careful to obey." Include sign language or hand motions.



God wants us to obey

## THE WAY

**Teacher Tip:** Craft and games can be presented at the same time in different areas or one at a time depending on class size and teaching style.

### **CRAFT: TRAFFIC LIGHT**

**Purpose:** To see that when we obey, God is happy, and so are we.

**Supplies:** 11-inch x 14-inch strips of sturdy white paper, yarn, crayons or markers

**Prepare:** Draw three 3-inch circles in a column on the 11-inch x 14-inch paper (traffic light). In the top circle, print: **“Stop!”** In the center circle, draw a smiley face and print: **“Be careful to obey.”** In the bottom circle, print: **“Go!”** Hole punch two holes at the top of the traffic light. Cut a 12-inch piece of yarn (any color).

**We can be careful to obey Bible rules just as drivers obey traffic lights.**

#### **Directions:**

1. Give each child a traffic light and a piece of yarn.
2. **On a traffic light, red means “STOP.” Let’s color the top circle of your traffic light red.**
3. Children color the top circle red.
4. **Yellow means “BE CAREFUL.” Let’s color the center circle yellow. God wants us to “be careful to obey.”**
5. Children color the middle circle yellow.
6. **Green means “GO.” Let’s color the bottom circle green.**
7. Children color the bottom circle green.
8. Thread the yarn through the two holes and tie the ends together.

#### **Craft Discussion:**

- **RED: When we obey, God is happy and so are we. Sometimes obeying means to stop what you are doing. Have you ever been told to stop doing something? Did you obey?** (Children respond.)
- **GREEN: Sometimes obeying means to do something we are asked to do. Have you ever been asked to do something? Did you obey?** (Children respond.)
- **YELLOW: God wants us to be careful to obey. Who remembers the hand motions for our Whisper Verse? (“Be careful to obey.”)**

# THE WAY *continued...*

## **GAME: RED LIGHT, GREEN LIGHT**

**Purpose:** Children practice obeying as they listen carefully to the directions.

**Supplies:** None

**God wants us to be careful to obey. In this game, let's practice good listening and obeying. When you hear "Green Light!" take mini-steps (heel to toe) toward the traffic light. When you hear "Red light!" then stop. Be careful to obey the "Traffic Light."**

### **Directions:**

1. Choose a child to be the Traffic Light.
2. The remaining children stand side by side against a wall.
3. The Traffic Light stands against the opposite wall, facing away from the children with his or her eyes closed.
4. Each time the Traffic Light calls out "Green Light!" children take as many mini-steps (heel to toe) as possible before the Traffic Light calls "Red Light!"
5. Each time the Traffic Light calls "Red Light!" children must obey and freeze in place.
6. Any child who is gets caught moving after "Red Light!" is called returns to the starting place.
7. The first child to reach the Traffic Light becomes the next Traffic Light.
8. Play as long as you like.

## **GAME: THE GARDEN RULE SAYS**

**Purpose:** This version of the game "Simon Says" reinforces the idea of being careful to obey.

**Supplies:** None

**God told Adam and Eve His Garden Rule. It said they could eat from any fruit in the garden, *except* for the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. That was the only tree fruit they could not eat. They were not careful to obey God's Garden Rule. They disobeyed.**

**In this game, let's pretend you are in the Garden of Eden. When I say "The Garden Rule says," then you obey and follow the directions right away. But if I do not say "The Garden Rule says," then do not follow the directions. Be careful to obey the Garden Rules and not be fooled by other ideas.**

### **Directions:**

1. Children stand at arm's length from each other.
2. When the teacher says "The Garden Rule says," children follow the command given.  
Suggested commands: Hop 3 times, clap 3 times, touch your knees, ears, toes, etc.
3. When the teacher does not say "The Garden Rule says," children do not follow the command.
4. Practice a few times and then play as long as you like.

**Option:** This game can be played with a 5-minute timer and no penalty, or older children may enjoy a competitive version where those who "disobey" are sent out of the garden. The winner would be the last child remaining in the garden.

# THE WAY *continued...*

## **SNACK: GARDEN FRUIT**

**Purpose:** To learn Adam and Eve disobeyed by eating the fruit God told them not to eat.

**Snack Suggestion:** Any fruit snack

### **Directions:**

1. Serve snack and drink.
2. **Let's sing the "Blessing Song."** Sing to the tune of "Frere Jacques" or other familiar tune.  
**God our Father, God our Father. Once again, once again.**  
**Thank You for our blessings. Thank You for our blessings. Amen. Amen.**
3. Lead discussion below while children enjoy their snack.
  - **Who remembers the Whisper Verse?** ("Be careful to obey.") **Let's say it together.**
  - **Fruit is very good for you; it helps your body to be strong and healthy. But there was one tree in the Garden of Eden whose fruit was not good to eat. Adam and Eve did not obey God's rule about that fruit. To obey means to follow directions and rules. What is the hardest rule you have to obey? Who or what can help you to obey that rule?** Discuss staying away from temptation and praying for God to help us make the right choices.



## **CIRCLE OF PRAYER**

God made you and He cares for you. He loves to hear you pray with private words or words you say out loud. Let's fold our hands and close our eyes. As I lift up your name to God in heaven, I will lay my hand on your shoulder. Let's pray together.

Dear God, thank You for making us and loving us. We lift up to You a special prayer for \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ (read every name). We pray for our families and friends. Thank You for teaching us how to love one another. Amen.



When only 5 minutes remain, begin this segment.

## **FINAL FIVE MINUTES**

**COMPLETED CRAFT:** Take home your "Traffic Light" craft. Use it to tell someone about the time when Adam and Eve disobeyed the Garden Rule. Talk about being careful to obey the Bible rules just as we obey the traffic light signals.

**PONDER, PRAY & PLAY:** Distribute Ponder, Pray & Play cards if available. **Show this card to your family. Talk about ways to help each other obey.**

**COLOR THIS STORY:** "Adam and Eve Disobey." Discuss the Bible Story and play the Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse Song, "I Will Always Obey Your Law," as children color.





If time remains, choose from the connected activities below.

## **GOT TIME?**

### **SAY & DO: GENESIS 3:1-13**

**Purpose:** This pantomime version of the Bible Story helps the children remember the story details.

**Supplies:** None

**Directions:** With each phrase, the teacher says the phrase, acts it out with hand motions, and then repeats the same phrase and motions with the children.

- **God explained the garden rule to Adam and Eve.** (Point to heaven.)
- **He told them they could eat the fruit from all but one tree.** (Raise index finger.)
- **The serpent was clever; he tempted Eve one day.** (Move hand as a serpent head.)
- **He told her she should break the rule and eat it anyway.** (Open and close hand, as if the serpent's mouth is speaking.)
  
- **Eve knew it was wrong but she ate the fruit.** (Shake head no.)
- **She gave it to Adam and he ate it, too.** (Pretend to eat fruit.)
- **Then God called out, "Adam where are you?"** (Cup hands around mouth.)
- **Did you do the one thing that I told you not to do?"** (Raise index finger.)
  
- **Adam blamed Eve, "She gave it to me!"** (Point to someone else.)
- **"What have you done?" God then asked Eve.** (Cup hands around mouth.)
- **Eve blamed the serpent, "He tricked me and I ate."** (Point to someone else.)
- **God punished them all because they all had disobeyed.** (Shrug shoulders sadly.)

### **GAME: FOLLOW THE GARDEN RULES**

**Purpose:** Children practice obeying as they follow the leader.

**Supplies:** None

**God wanted Adam and Eve to enjoy living in the garden. He gave them rules so they would be safe and happy. If you were in the Garden of Eden, what do you think you would see? (Plants, flowers, trees, animals, etc.) Let's pretend we are in the Garden of Eden and see if we can be careful to obey the rules.**

**Directions:**

1. Children line up behind you.
2. Lead the children around the "garden" as they obey your directions.
  - "Follow me and pick some flowers."** Children pretend to pick a flower.
  - "Follow me and pet the animals."** Children pretend to pet the animals.
  - "Follow me and swim through the river."** Children pretend to swim.
  - "Follow me and ride a horse."** Children pretend to ride a horse.
3. Allow children to take turns leading the class using similar directions.

# GOT TIME? *continued...*



## BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES

"I will always obey Your law forever and ever. I will walk about in freedom."  
Psalm 119:44-45a

### **GAME: FREEDOM WALK**

**Purpose:** To help children memorize and review the Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse.

**Supplies:** Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse Song "I Will Always Obey Your Law"

**Directions:**

1. Stand in a circle with the children.
2. **Let's pretend we are standing in the Garden of Eden as we say our Bible Memory Verse. Then, we will walk about in freedom.**
3. **Can you say our Bible Memory Verse with me? "I will always obey Your law forever and ever. I will walk about in freedom." Psalm 119:44-45a**
4. Play the Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse Song while children roam freely about the room.
5. Make up motions. Be sure to walk and dance freely when you "walk about in freedom!"
6. Periodically, stop the music. Children stop where they are. Lead the children in saying the Bible Memory Verse together.

### **GAME: BIBLE MEMORY VERSE CHEER**

**Purpose:** Children memorize and review the Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse.

**Supplies:** None

**Directions:**

1. Practice the Bible Memory Verse together.
2. Divide children into two groups. Each group stands on opposite ends of the play area.
3. Group 1 whispers, **"I will always obey Your law forever and ever."**
4. Group 2 whispers back, **"I will walk about in freedom."**
5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 three more times, getting louder each time, until the children are using their strongest voices.
6. Have the groups switch phrases and play again.

# GOT TIME? *continued...*



## STORY TIME

Gather the children and read a favorite story. This can be a Bible Story, a chapter from *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello*, or a story about obeying God.

### **PONDER, PRAY & PLAY**

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**PONDER!** Read Genesis 3:1-13 with your family. Discuss Eve's poor choice to be near the tree and talk with the serpent about the fruit. Why is it wise to stay away from tempting things? Why did they blame others? Talk about how we are each responsible for wrong choices we make.

**PRAY!** Pray this prayer each day this week: "God, thank You for the rules You give us that keep us safe and happy. Help us make right choices. Help us be careful to obey. Amen."

**PLAY!** Play a home version of our class game, "The Garden Rule Says." This version of the game "Simon Says" reinforces the idea of being careful to obey. Extend the game through the day by using actual home chores and activities as commands ("Go for a walk," "Put away your toys," etc.).

**Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse:** Psalm 119:44-45a

"I will always obey Your law forever and ever. I will walk about in freedom."