# **Singing Oaks Church of Christ**

# 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Curriculum

Curriculum Timeline:		Year One	Year Two
Fall			
Sundays Wednesdays	History of God's People Theology	Backgrounds of the NT Angels, Demons, and Deities	Churches of the NT Job
Winter			
Sundays	Church Life	Reach In	Reach Out
Wednesdays	Biblical Literacy	Synoptic Gospels	Prison Epistles
Spring			
Sundays	Story of God	Peter's Story	Christ's Story in the Gospels & Acts
Wednesdays	Worship as Life	Teaching 101	Living Sacrifice
Summer			
Sundays	Real Life	Intern's Choice	Intern's Choice
Wednesdays	Real Life	Worship Development	Manners, Modesty, & Other Ways of Showing Respect

#### **Curriculum Description:**

#### Year One

- Backgrounds of the New Testament (Sunday mornings in the fall)
- Angels, Demons, and Deities (Wednesday nights in the fall)

This class will look at other deities mentioned in the Bible and how their worship would have influenced God's people. Furthermore, this class will briefly look at Angels and Demons and what we know about their relationship with God and with humanity.

• Reach In (Sunday mornings in the winter)

This series will focus on the church as a refuge from the world. We will look at scripture to see how God created the church to be a family and how we need to spend some of our time as family looking out for and supporting one another.

• Synoptic Gospels (Wednesday nights in the winter)

This class will be dedicated to helping teens understand the differences in the four gospel stories. The class will explore why there are differences, what they mean, and who the intended audience of each book was.

Peter's Story--Gospels and 1st Half of Acts (Sunday mornings in the spring)
 This series will focus on the life of Peter. We will look at his life before, during, and after his time

with Christ. He was not perfect, but some believe that he is the rock that Christ built His church on.

# • Living Sacrifice - A study of Leviticus and Its Influence on the Letter to the Romans (Wednesday nights spring)

What does it mean to be a living sacrifice? This class series will explore the Hebrew practice of sacrifice and how those concepts would have influenced Paul in his letter to the Romans. The goal is that teens will come away understanding that worship is all of life.

## Intern's Choice (Sunday mornings in the summer)

Every summer, the youth ministry hires two interns and will ask both of them to be involved in the formal curriculum process. This class series will be lead and taught by them from a predetermined pool of topics. (Judges, Parables, Pastoral Epistles, Prophecy, New Testament Miracles and the Sermon on the Mount).

#### • Worship Development (Wednesday nights in the summer)

This class will be the platform for the Worship Planning Class. Teens in the Ministers and Disciples class will come and participate in corporate worship services prepared by the Apostle's class.

#### **Year Two**

#### • Churches of the New Testament (Sunday mornings in the fall)

This class series will hopefully provide a better understanding of the struggles and structures of the seven churches mentioned in the New Testament.

#### • Job (Wednesday nights in the fall)

This class will take a broad look at the book of Job. Job seems to provide its readers with different perspectives on God, Satan, and their relationship with sin and suffering. This class hopes to challenge the thinking of teens to explore what may seem to be Biblical inconsistencies.

#### • Reach Out (Sunday mornings in the winter)

This series will focus on our relationship with those outside of our church family. The intent of the class is to help teens differentiate between the expectations we can have on each other as Christians and the expectations that we have on the secular world.

#### • Prison Epistles (Wednesday nights in the winter)

This class will help the teen understand the similarities and differences between the four books (Philippians, Philemon, Colossians, and Ephesians) that are believed to be written by Paul during his imprisonment.

## Christ's Story in the Gospels and Acts (Sunday mornings in the spring)

This series will take an in-depth look at the life of Christ. What did He do and how did He spend His time? How did He lead and how did He choose to be vulnerable to humanity? What does His existence say about our humanity? How did He see the world? These questions and more will be

addressed, and hopefully, the teens will be able to better understand Christ in His full humanity as an example for us in our humanity.

### • Teaching 101 (Wednesday nights in the spring)

One of the many things that our churches have failed to do is to help people understand the art behind teaching. Most grow up learning information but not being taught in such a way that the information becomes transformative. This class will be focused on helping the church by preparing better teachers for our future classes.

#### • Intern's Choice (Sunday mornings in the summer)

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• Manners, Modesty, and Other Ways of Showing Respect (Wednesday nights in the summer)
This class will help teens learn how to show affection and love in healthier ways that will lead
them to a more joyful life and healthier dating. Most teens learn through their culture different
ways to attract the opposite sex that leave them feeling empty and low. This class will help them
to show their affection in ways that lead them towards true, loving relationships.