

The Life of Christ

suggested weekly schedule

what you need

Each student completing the study should have a Student Manual and Bible. You will need a Teacher's Manual, which includes **Lesson Objectives**, teaching notes, optional **Digging Deeper** activities, Scripture memory verses, facsimiles of Student Manual pages with answers filled in, optional transparency/handout masters, as well as all student exams and exam answers.

the theme and goal

The Life of Christ contains 35 chapters, one for each week in an average academic year. The theme is Christ, and while the Student Manual will help your children approach and understand Scripture, the primary textbook is the Bible itself. Using the entire Gospel of John—and selections from other Scripture—your student will follow Christ's earthly ministry while developing a foundational understanding of the geography, politics, and culture of Israel during that time period.

But your goal is not simply to read John and memorize history—it is to become intimately acquainted with the Person of Jesus, the Son of God, the risen Messiah. We pray this study will encourage you and your family to respond to what Christ has done for all of us.

While the schedule below shows what a typical week might look like, feel free to adjust it to your family's schedule. The Teacher's Manual includes a great deal of material, so pick and choose whatever you believe would benefit your family.

tips for this study

Be sure the students read the introductory essay and the assigned passages for each week's chapter. The student work in this study is unique from our other studies in that many of the questions are designed to help the student ponder on Christ Himself—and His teaching—rather than just answer a factual question. This approach may be new to your child, so consider providing extra help at first, if needed.

Many questions are more speculative and not directly answered in Scripture. The study encourages students to think about the meaning of the text—and even beyond to the personalities and characters contained therein. This will help them meditate and grow in the knowledge of their Savior.

Each chapter in the Student Manual ends with a section entitled **Notes from the Teacher's Lesson**. After the student completes the reading and other student work, you can cover the material found in the Teacher's Manual for that chapter. The student will be able to take notes by filling in the blanks in his book. The print edition of the Teacher's Manual comes with a disk of outlines of each chapter's notes. These are optional, intended for teachers that want to use transparencies or other presentation aids.

Note: The majority of quiz and exam material is drawn from the Teacher's Lesson. The study includes a quiz after each chapter and an exam for each of the seven units.

Your child will probably be able to complete the day's study in 15–20 minutes, depending on whether you include the optional Scripture memory and any additional activities. The days for teaching, review, and completing quizzes and exams will take more time.

schedule

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assign optional Digging Deeper activities Assign Scripture memory verses Begin the chapter lesson in Student Manual 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue working through Student Manual Review memory verses Work on any assigned Digger Deeper activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Student Manual work Review memory verses Work on any assigned Digger Deeper activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cover Teacher's Manual lesson while student takes notes in the Student Manual Review memory verses Work on any assigned Digger Deeper activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Teacher's Manual lesson Correct Student Manual answers together Review and take weekly quiz Turn in additional activities and recite memory verses At the completion of each unit, review and take unit exam

optional components

A **Scripture Memory Program** is included in each lesson. If you choose to follow this plan, your student should review the memory verses daily and recite them to you at the end of the week. You may choose to include this as a graded component or as extra credit.

You can find additional activities for each chapter in the **Digging Deeper** section of the Student Manual. Please read these over before each unit begins, as some are time-consuming and may need extra time to complete. You may choose to assign these as a graded component or extra credit.

individual study

Each of our studies assumes a certain amount of parental interaction. We hope you'll spend time encouraging your children to comprehend the material and apply it to their lives. However, you can adapt this into a more independent study for your child—perhaps as an ungraded devotion time. Simply ask the student to complete the Student Manual, then read the Teacher's Manual, filling in the appropriate sections back in the Student Manual.

more resources

For the latest resources on homeschooling with Positive Action Bible Curriculum, visit **positiveaction.org/homeschool**.

And if you have any questions about using our curriculum, feel free to send an email to **jeffandnancy@positiveaction.org**.