

Week 15

Day 1



Jehovah Rocks:

I want You to be happy to save me and to be always quick to help me. (Psalm 40:13)

See It:

'Jesus came and told His disciples, "I have been given all authority in Heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."' (Matthew 28:18-20)

On It:

The Old Testament was all about God's covenant with His people. The New Testament is also about covenant, but this time, God goes one step further. And with this step, He changes everything for you, for me and for the whole world. It all starts with the four Gospels, the first of which is Matthew. This book starts with a whole bunch of names that are hard to pronounce! The reason they are there is to prove that Jesus, the focus of the New Testament, is the Messiah those prophets kept writing about. Remember how everything started with Abraham? You see the list of names starts with Abraham and works its way through to David and from David it continues all the way to Jesus. So Jesus was a direct descendant of Abraham, and this was very important to prove He was the prophesied Messiah. Matthew tells the story of Jesus from birth to death... and resurrection! It's a book about discipleship, so it's very important for you to read because you are a disciple of God. The text for today is often called 'the great commission' and gives us our mission as disciples. We must tell others about Jesus, disciple them just as we have been discipled and encourage them to be obedient to God in everything they do. Sound hard? Well, it would be, except that Jesus promises to be with us always, so really, there is nothing stopping us!

Live It:

The Order of the Founder was started on 20 August 1917 by General Bramwell Booth, and is the highest Salvation Army honour for distinguished service.

Do It:

Try to remember the first ten books of the Old Testament.

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2.	7.
3.	8.
4.	9.
5.	10.

In It:

Lord, fill me with a passion and the courage to make disciples.

Eat It:

Romans 3:23
'For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.' (Romans 3:23)

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Samuel 6-7, Psalm 72, & 2 Corinthians 9

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Day 2



Jehovah Rocks:

I call out to You, God, and You save me! (Psalm 55:16)

See It:

“The time has come,” He said. “The kingdom of God is near. Turn away from your sins and believe the good news!” One day Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee. There He saw Simon and his brother Andrew. They were throwing a net into the lake. They were fishermen. “Come. Follow me,” Jesus said. “I will make you fishers of people.” (Mark 1:15-17)

On It:

People only go to hell for not responding to Jesus’ invitation here – Come follow Me. If they say ‘no thanks’ or ‘maybe later’ or anything other than ‘yes,’ they are not going to Heaven, because they will end up in a different destination than Jesus (and we know that Jesus was headed to Heaven!). Now, it is those people who don’t accept Jesus’ invitation into His life that do all of those other horrible sins. But those evil sins are just evidence of them having made the wrong decision. What you need to remember is that this invitation is also a command – Come follow Me. These two verses give us the way to get saved in a nutshell – repent and believe; follow Jesus. Some people think that everyone will get to Heaven because God loves us all so much. He does, and would love for us all to be with Him in Heaven. After all, that’s why He sent Jesus. But if you don’t want to follow Jesus while you are on earth, why would God force you to in Heaven? He gives everyone a choice while they are on earth, and you have to make sure people know what their options are. Try to tell someone today.

Live It:

The Order of the Founder is given, ‘to mark outstanding service rendered by officers and soldiers such as would in spirit or achievement have been specially commended by the Founder’. So, do some cool stuff and you could end up with a medal!



Do It:

Write out the birthdays of everyone in your class including your teacher.

In It:

Please show me any sins that I have in my life.

Eat It:

Romans 3:23

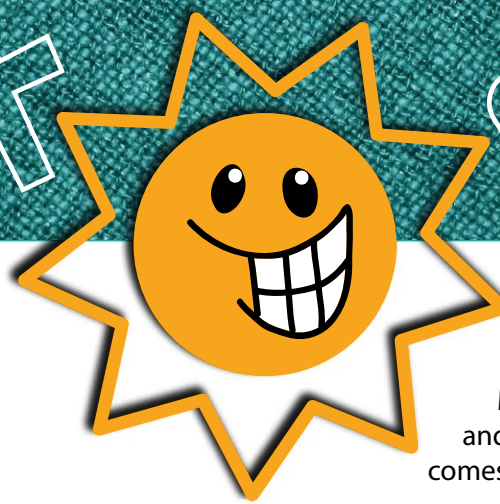
‘For all have sinned.’ Really? Everyone? Even the preacher down at The Salvation Army? Yes. Everyone. We are all guilty. We are all in need of a Saviour.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Samuel 8-10, & 2 Corinthians 10

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Day 3



Jehovah Rocks:

Please come to our help! Save us with Your perfect and strong love. (Psalm 44:26)

See It:

'Little flock, do not be afraid. Your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell what you own. Give to those who are poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out. Put away riches in Heaven that will not be used up. There, no thief can come near it. There, no moth can destroy it. Your heart will be where your riches are.' (Luke 12:32)

On It:

It was a challenging season for soldiers of Jesus. They weren't sure if they would be able to survive because they didn't have a lot of money, and people wanted them gone. But Jesus didn't promise them escape or guarantee that everything was going to turn out hunky dory. Instead He told them not to worry. He reminded them that they were not alone - they were a part of a flock. He assured them that they were part of the family. He explained that their Father delighted to give them the kingdom - they were part of the plan. What is the kingdom? All those who are saved by Jesus' blood through repentance and faith. What does the kingdom consist of? Love, joy, and peace in the Holy Spirit. Also signs and wonders, miracles, healing, prophecy, deliverance, and salvation. God delights in pouring that out on and through us!

Live It:

The first awards (OF) were made in 1920 to 15 officers and one soldier. Three years later, seven officers and one local officer were honoured, but since then the awards have been made much less frequently and, to date, 144 officers and 88 other soldiers have been recognized with the Army's highest honour. Only 232 in total over the first 88 years. But hang in there! You could be one of the few!

Do It:

Make a chart with all the birthdays of your class members and then remember to make them a card when that date comes around.



In It:

Please convict my friends who don't know You, yet, of their guilt with regard to sin, righteousness, and lead them to salvation that leaves no regrets.

Eat It:

Romans 3:23
"For all have sinned." Sinned? But what IS sin? There are different kinds of sin: 1. When we intentionally disobey God; 2. When we are unable to obey Him; 3. When we unintentionally disobey Him; 4. When we don't do what we ought. This verse covers them all.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Samuel 11-12, 1 Chronicles & 2 Corinthians 11

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Day 4



Jehovah Rocks:

You will be King forever and ever, Yahweh. You will rule with justice and righteousness. (Psalm 45:6)

See It:

'But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing in Him you will have life by the power of His name.' (John 20:31)

On It:

Sometimes you get a writing assignment in school. It is important that you write with purpose. If you don't know what your point is, you won't likely hit it. Sort that out before you start. John wrote a Gospel of Jesus Christ. And he wrote with a purpose. He wanted everyone who will ever read it to believe that Jesus Christ is the Messiah, the Christ, the Anointed One, the Son of God; and that in believing this truth (in accepting that truth to change your life) each reader will experience abundant and eternal life in Jesus' name. Every story that John includes, every conversation that he records aims at this goal. It is essential for people to believe and obey Jesus as the Christ, the Son of God, and to receive eternal life through Jesus.

Live It:

The first presentation was to a soldier, Private Herbert Bourne, for outstanding Christian witness and service during military service in the First World War.

Do It:

Add the birthdays of each of your family members to your chart.

In It:

'The world for God! The world for God! For this, dear Lord, give to my soul consuming fire. Give fire that makes men heroes, turns weakness into might. The fire that gives the courage to suffer for the fight.' (from the Songbook)

Eat It:

Romans 3:23

"Fall short." It's like missing the mark. When you shoot an arrow with a bow at a target and miss – that is the word 'sin' in this verse. We all miss the target of obedience to God. He is the target and we miss it – that means we are separated from Him.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Samuel 13, 1 Chronicles 2-3, & 2 Corinthians 12



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Day 5



Jehovah Rocks:

I worship You and thank You for Your amazing love that is always there and will never end. (Psalm 48:9)

See It:

'But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Then you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem. You will be My witnesses in all Judea and Samaria. And you will be My witnesses from one end of the earth to the other.' (Acts 1:8)

On It:

If you knew you had one last kick at the can – one final opportunity to teach a friend the important things in life, or to tell your family what you thought of them, or to leave a message for the whole world, what would you say? Here are the disciples, surrounding Jesus – who had been dead but was raised back to life. Don't you think they were listening closely to every word He said? These are His famous last words before He ascends to Heaven! He tells them that when Holy Spirit comes on them, they will receive power – explosive, dynamite power (the Greek word is *dunamis*). Why? To witness. To whom? Well, it seems that they are to start witnessing in their neighbourhood and then spread from there to the next neighbourhood, to the whole town, and from there to the ends of the earth. And do you know what? YOU shall receive power when the Holy Ghost come upon YOU, and YOU shall be His witnesses here, and there, and over there, and God knows where else. Just stay close to Jesus!

Live It:

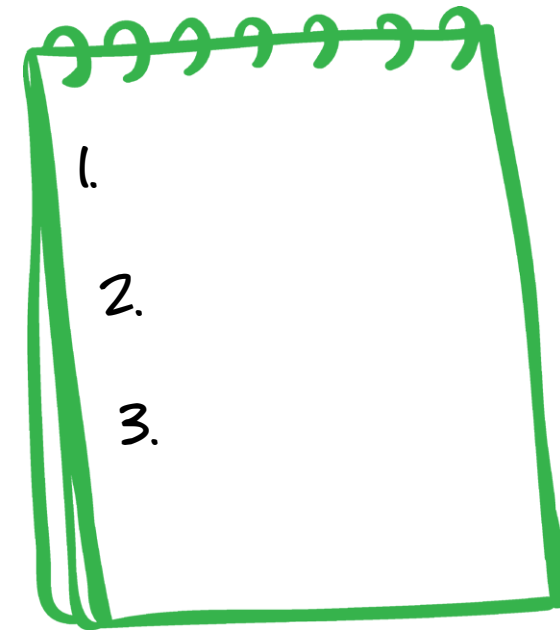
A few senior leaders such as Commissioner Henry Howard, General Evangeline Booth and Commissioner Catherine Bramwell-Booth have been recipients of the Order of the Founder, but, much more commonly, faithful and devoted service by less well-known personalities has been acknowledged.

Do It:

Add the birthdays of everyone in your Sunday School to your list.

In It:

Thank God for three great things about yourself.



Eat It:

Romans 3:23
"Glory of God." God is glorified by our obedience. When we fall short and miss the mark He is not glorified. He is not glorified by sin.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Samuel 14, 1 Chronicles 4, & 2 Corinthians 13

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Day 6



Jehovah Rocks:

Have mercy on me and forgive me for anything I have done to make You sad, Yahweh. (Psalm 51:1)

See It:

'For I am not ashamed of this Good News about Christ. It is the power of God at work, saving everyone who believes—the Jew first and also the Gentile. This Good News tells us how God makes us right in His sight. This is accomplished from start to finish by faith.' (Romans 1:16-17)

On It:

Paul did a lot of travelling, and as he traveled, he would meet people and start corps. When he moved on to the next place, he would write letters to the friends he had made. These letters are very important and have important information for us today about how to be an awesome Christian and how to have a healthy community of disciples. The letter for today is Romans, which means it was a letter written to a corps in Rome. For Paul, telling others about Jesus and what Jesus requires of them is the most important thing in life, and it was worth sacrificing everything. Sometimes Paul got himself into some trouble for evangelizing, and eventually he was killed for it! Some Jews didn't like that he was preaching that Jesus was the messiah, and some gentiles didn't like him preaching that they were going to go to hell unless they believed in Jesus. It is not easy when people don't like you, is it? It is much more pleasant when everyone wants to be your friend. But if we choose being liked and accepted by people over telling others about Jesus, we are being disobedient to God. We must go and teach others about Jesus, so that by faith, they will be saved!

Live It:

The Order of the Founder is not given out very often because every nomination is looked at carefully by a panel of senior leaders at

International Headquarters. Salvationists have every reason to be proud of those who have been awarded this outstanding recognition for meritorious Christian example.

Do It:

Find out the names of all The Salvation Army Generals (hint- Peddle is the 21st!).

In It:

Give me the courage to tell others about You and give me the strength to handle any teasing that may come because of it.

Eat It:

Romans 3:23

"Have sinned." That is past tense – something that happened. But it doesn't necessarily have to be happening now, if God sanctifies us.

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Samuel 14-16, 1 Chronicles 5 & Matthew 1

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Day 7



Jehovah Rocks:

I thank You so much because You have saved me.
(Psalm 52:9)

See It:

'I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. He was buried, and He was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said. He was seen by Peter and then by the Twelve. After that, He was seen by more than 500 of His followers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.' (1 Corinthians 15:3-6)

On It:

Do you know any bullies? Any kids at your school or in your neighbourhood who roam around picking on other kids, and making them cry? They are nasty! Well, I'm sorry to say that before Paul met Jesus, he was a bully. Paul was a mean and nasty person who terrorized followers of Jesus. But everything changed when he gave his life over to Christ. He went from persecuting Christians, to being one of them! And thank God for it! Without Paul, the God's people may not have spread as far, wide and hugely as we did. Paul was well worth the effort. I know it is hard to think of bullies as people God loves and wants to use in His mission, but if Ananias had not witnessed to Saul (he was called Saul before he became a Christian) then Paul may never have been used by God. Saul received information that allowed him to become Paul! And what was that information? Jesus died for our sins and was raised on the third day. And the lesson for us? We must pass this message on to everyone, whether we like them or not. We must even tell the bullies. Who knows what plan God has in store for them once they follow Him!

Live It:

It is a great honour and normally recipients include 'OF' behind their name.

Do It:

Memorize the names of all the Generals of The Salvation Army.

William Booth	Jarl Wahlström
Bramwell Booth	Eva Burrows
Edward Higgins	Bramwell Tillsley
Evangeline Booth	Paul Rader
George Carpenter	John Gowans
Albert Orsborn	John Larsson
Wilfred Kitching	Shaw Clifton
Frederick Coutts	Linda Bond
Erik Wickberg	Andre Cox
Clarence Wiseman	Brian Peddle
Arnold Brown	

In It:

Help me to evangelize - even to bullies!

Eat It:

Romans 3:23
For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. It is important for people to accept that they are sinners, separated from God (don't worry, the good news of salvation through repentance and faith is coming soon!).

Read It:

One-year Bible Plan: Read 1 Samuel 17, Psalm 9, & Matthew 2