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# Prepare Your Preschoolers

## ESTABLISH A FIRM FOUNDATION

*Whether you are building a new home or raising a young child, laying a solid foundation is essential. If you establish a firm base, you can be reasonably confident that the future will remain on stable footings. A faulty foundation, however, foretells that headaches are on the horizon.*


### Trust the Tools

Three tools are essential to lay a good foundation for a new home: a **plumb-line**, a **square**, and a **level**. Here's why these instruments are so important to builders of homes—and how they illustrate Biblical concepts that “build” young children.



A **plumb-line** is a simple piece of string with a weight attached to one end. Tie the string to a fixed object and when the weight comes to rest, it points directly to the earth's center of gravity. Regardless of the terrain, the plumb-line establishes true vertical orientation. A plumb-line assures that your walls are plumb—straight up and down.

The prophet Amos used a plumb-line as an object lesson to reveal the Word of the Lord to Israel. It illustrated that God's people had moved from the model of justice He had given them (Amos 7:7-8; Isaiah 28:17). A plumb-line reminds parents and children that they need to know what God expects of them. As they grow, kids must develop a reservoir of *knowledge* based on a Biblical worldview.

A **square** is  a tool used to obtain right angles. A framing square quickly enables the builder to measure precise angles so he won't cut corners or “miss the mark.” Use a square to make sure that your footers and walls meet at exactly ninety degrees—so they are “square.”

Christ's righteousness is the standard that God uses to examine a person's character. The Lord even measures the motives of every heart (1 Corinthians 4:4-5)! A square prompts believers

to remember that God's righteous standard discloses both their integrity and their inconsistencies. Growing kids can learn to display Christlike *character* in every area of life.

A **level** consists of a sealed glass tube mounted on a straight-edge. The position of the air bubble within the liquid-filled tube reveals whether or not a surface is level. A carpenter's level ensures that your entire foundation is perfectly horizontal.



John the Baptist urged God's people to “make straight the way of the Lord.” He told them to level the valleys and mountains to give the Messiah direct access to their lives (Luke 3:4-6; Isaiah 40:3-5). A level reminds parents and children that they must also take action steps to receive the Lord and to follow Him. As kids grow, they acquire skills to demonstrate faithful *conduct* that honors God and helps people.



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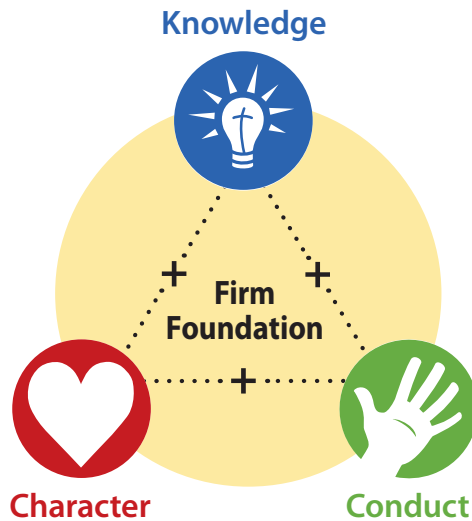
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# How Does DiscipleLand Preschool Build a Firm Foundation?

As Jesus grew up, He kept increasing in wisdom, in stature, in favor with God, and in favor with people (Luke 2:52). When growing children have a firm foundation, worldly influences won't destroy their faith or cause irreparable damage. A foundation anchored in bedrock will remain in place when the earth shifts and shakes. Encourage your kids to remain steadfast and keep growing in *knowledge, character, and conduct!*

## Knowledge

In DiscipleLand Preschool, 200 different Bible stories spark the minds of young children. The Old Testament sequence, Discover God, introduces your children to the amazing events that established and sustained the nation of Israel, God's people. In the New Testament sequence, Discover Jesus, your kids walk with Jesus and explore His marvelous words and mighty deeds. They also witness the exciting growth of the early church.



## Character

DiscipleLand stimulates the hearts of preschool children as they identify with the challenging situations that godly men and women encountered. Your kids relate to the struggles and victories that Bible-times people experienced. They capture Christ's passion for God and for people. They also embrace the convictions and values of first-century Christians who "turned the world upside down."

## Conduct

DiscipleLand encourages preschoolers to emulate Jesus Christ and the behavior of Old and New Testament characters. Each lesson includes practical activities that guide your children to apply Biblical truths to their lives. Special DiscipleTime stories and puppet scripts support Bible passages and provide contemporary application ideas. "Parent Partners" segments suggest ways moms and dads can review and reinforce each lesson in the home.

## Meet Dee, Cy, Paul, and Chip

*Dee, Cy, and Paul* serve as role-model characters for your children. They demonstrate how to be Jesus' disciples—imparting confidence in the Bible, sensitivity to people, and love for God.

Dee, Cy, and Paul begin as preschoolers and "grow up" alongside your children through the elementary grades. This means that each child will continue to identify with Dee, Cy, and Paul and be inspired to become a *Dee-Cy-Paul* (disciple) of Jesus Christ!

Their lovable dog is named Chip. Dee, Cy, Paul, and Chip will escort your children through the exciting journey of Christian discipleship.

*DiscipleLand publishes a premier line of Bible curriculum designed to help teachers and parents build lifelong disciples.*





# Preschool

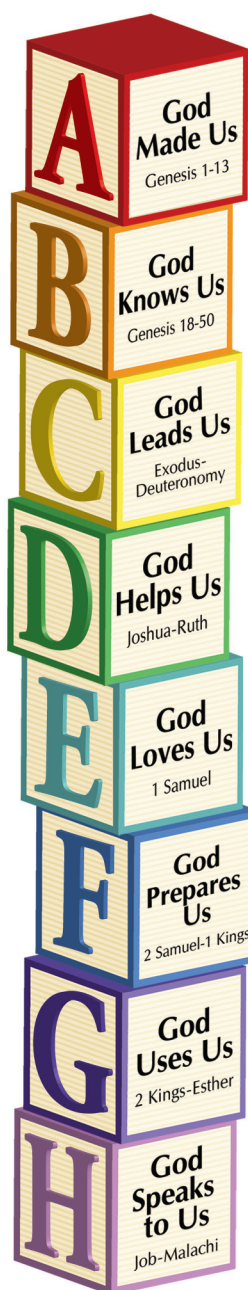
## Overview (ages 5-6)

DiscipleLand Preschool launches children to begin walking with God.  
The Old Testament series introduces children to God's loving character.  
The New Testament series guides them to a personal friendship with Jesus.

### Discover God

#### Old Testament Building Blocks

*Introduce your children to God's greatness and plan.*



Witness God's power and pleasure as He creates the entire universe!

Observe the patriarchs of the faith who learn to trust God through challenges and opportunities.

Join Moses as he leads God's people from captivity in Egypt to freedom at Mt. Sinai.

Follow the adventures of the men and women who conquer and settle the promised land.

See God shape leaders to shepherd His people through everyday situations and supernatural events.

Share the experiences of anointed kings who lead God's people wisely.

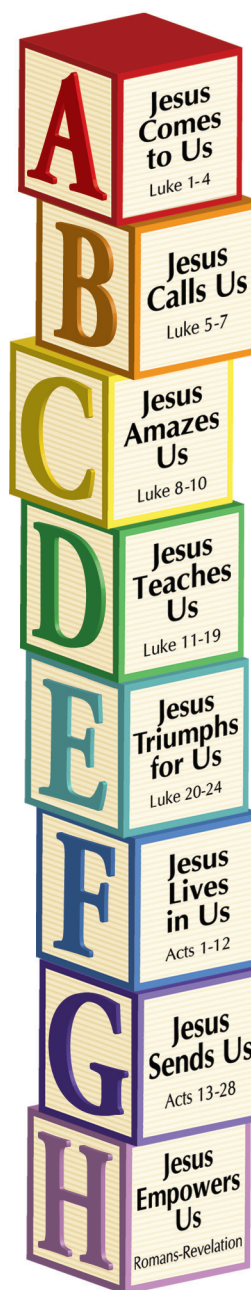
Watch in amazement as prophets like Elijah and Elisha demonstrate God's mighty power.

Celebrate God's greatness in the Psalms and through the lives of devout prophets like Daniel and Jonah.

### Discover Jesus

#### New Testament Building Blocks

*Guide your preschoolers to become Jesus' friends.*



Celebrate the momentous event when God sends His special Son, Jesus, to join His people.

Watch as Jesus calls together twelve special friends and teaches them to trust His Father.

Worship Jesus as He performs magnificent miracles and serves people in need.

Eagerly listen to Jesus' messages and respond to His life-giving words.

Rejoice as Jesus dies to forgive sins and rises victoriously from the grave!

Join Jesus' friends who see Him ascend to heaven and who receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Discover Jesus' love for people everywhere as early missionaries tell others about Jesus.

Experience Jesus' indwelling power as Christians trust God to accomplish His great plan.

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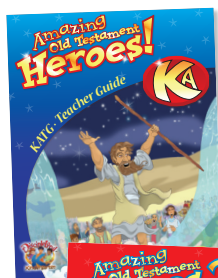


# Kindergarten

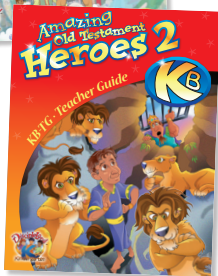
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DiscipleLand Kindergarten will help your children explore the wonder-filled dramas of fascinating Old and New Testament personalities—embracing 48 godly heroes and heroines they can respect and emulate. Along the way they will discover that Jesus is the special Hero who fulfilled God's plan to rescue people and save the world.

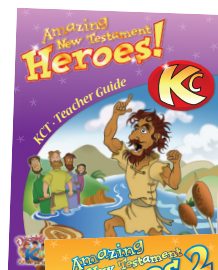
## Discover Bible Heroes!



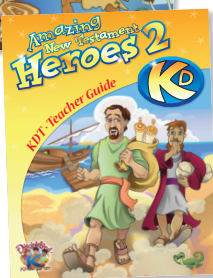
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Old Testament Heroes**  
Genesis-Ruth



**Amazing  
Old Testament Heroes 2**  
1 Samuel-Jonah



**Amazing  
New Testament Heroes**  
Four Gospels



**Amazing  
New Testament Heroes 2**  
Acts & Epistles



*By the end of this year, your young disciples will...*

### Develop Biblical Knowledge— KNOW...

- Bible heroes can inspire them to live for God (KA)
- God is the only one who can rule them with perfect love and mercy (KB)
- Every person comes to Jesus through believing and relying on Him (KC)
- They can be godly heroes as they walk with Jesus each day (KD)

### Display Christlike Character— FEEL...

- Inspired to emulate the characteristics of Bible heroes (KA)
- Devotion to the Lord of Heaven and Earth (KB)
- Eager to know Jesus personally and put their faith in Him (KC)
- Determined to live for Christ and tell others about Him (KD)

### Demonstrate Faithful Conduct— DO...

- Develop qualities that define a Bible hero (KA)
- Practice leadership skills found in Bible leaders (KB)
- Respond with faith to Jesus' offer of salvation and abundant life (KC)
- Live their lives for Christ (KD)

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