

<p><u>26th February – Luke 5:8</u> When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!"</p> <p>Truth: We are unworthy to stand before Jesus... But Jesus forgives us and cleans us so we can!</p> <p>Investigate: Do you ever feel too bad to talk to your parents? Do you ever feel too bad to talk to God? You are too bad... but Jesus sorts out the problem so now you can talk to God without fear.</p>	<p><u>27th February – Luke 6:36</u> "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."</p> <p>Truth: Understanding what God has done for us will help us love others.</p> <p>Investigate: Later in Luke 6:46 Jesus says 'why do you call me 'Lord' but not do what I say?' It's easy to say we follow Jesus, but if we really are following him we will want to do what he says. We will show mercy to others because that is what he has shown us and asks us to do.</p>	<p><u>28th February – Luke 7:50</u> Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."</p> <p>Truth: All we need to do to have peace with God is trust him – that's what 'faith' is.</p> <p>Investigate: Imagine you are in the middle of the sea, in a storm, with no boat! A helicopter comes along and lowers a rope. What will you do? You trust (have faith) that the helicopter will take you to safety. So, you grab the rope. That's what faith is about – trusting that Jesus will take us to safety.</p>
<p><u>1st March – Luke 8:12</u> "Those along the path are the ones who hear, and then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved."</p> <p>Truth: Some people don't believe in Jesus because Satan, the Devil snatches away the truth.</p> <p>Investigate: Read verses 4-8. We're going to look at this story over the next few days. Do you have friends who don't believe in Jesus? This story helps us understand why. Some people believe the lies of the devil instead of the truth of God.</p>	<p><u>2nd March – Luke 8:13</u> "Those on the rocky ground are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away."</p> <p>Truth: Some people seem to follow Jesus but when things got tough they give up.</p> <p>Investigate: Did you know that one of Jesus' promises to his people is that they will have trouble?! People will try and stop us following him. But if we want to keep following Jesus we need to have deep roots knowing that Jesus suffered too and promises to help us through.</p>	<p><u>3rd March – Luke 8:14</u> "Those on the rocky ground are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, but they have no root. They believe for a while, but in the time of testing they fall away."</p> <p>Truth: Some people seem to follow Jesus but money and pleasure are more important to them and so they stop following him.</p> <p>Investigate: Does Jesus ever promise that we will have lots of money and a fun time? Nope. Learn Philippians 4:12-13. Jesus is all we need.</p>
	<p><u>4th March – Luke 8:15</u> "But the seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop."</p> <p>Truth: If you have good roots in Jesus, believe his word and not the devil's, and learn contentment in Jesus, not only will you grow, you will also bear fruit – other people will come to be friends with Jesus.</p> <p>Investigate: Spend time praying that God will help with this. It is only by his grace (free gift) and the Holy Spirit that we can grow.</p>	