



CHILDREN BROCHURE

MORAVIAN CHURCH – BARBADOS CONFERENCE
Provincial Theme: Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T.

S. – Seek & Submit
H. – Hear & Heed
I. – Imagine & Insight
F. – Focus & Function
T. – Totally Transformed

Age: 13 + yrs

SEEK

April 12– Seek Understanding

Song: Teach me O Lord

*Teach me O Lord, the way I should go.
Let me walk the path that you've prepared for me.
Oh, come take my hand, I'm at your command,
Lord teach me today, Teach me O Lord I pray*

Memory Verse:

Proverbs 2:6

The LORD gives wisdom.
Knowledge and understanding come from his mouth.

Scripture:

Proverbs 3: 5 - 6 (NIRV)

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart.
Do not depend on your own understanding.
6 In all your ways obey him.
Then he will make your paths smooth and straight.

(Also look at St Luke 24:44-49)



Message:

Real understanding will come to you as you realize the interdependence of study and prayer, as you maintain a commitment to serve while learning and earning, and also as you trust in and rely on the Lord Jesus Christ.

In James 1:5 we are told that “If any of you need wisdom, you should ask God for it. God will give it generously to you without finding fault”.

Everyone who seeks knowledge is a student or a learner. A word that carries more serious-minded connotations would be a scholar. Other words such as disciple, seeker, follower may be used as synonyms of a learner.

Start with the intelligence with which we were born. To this intelligence we can add knowledge as we search for answers, study, and educate ourselves. To our knowledge we add experience, which should lead us to a level of wisdom. In addition to our wisdom, we add the help of the Holy Ghost through our prayers of faith, asking for spiritual guidance and strength. Then, and only then, do we reach an understanding in our hearts—which motivates us to do what is right; let the consequences follow.

The feelings of an understanding heart give us the sweet spirit of assurance of not only knowing but doing what is right no matter what the circumstances. The understanding in our hearts comes from a close reliance of study and prayer.

A Prayer for Understanding

Lord Jesus Christ, grant me the gift of understanding. Help me to understand the feelings of others, the desires of others, the goals of others. At the same time, help me to understand myself in my actions and reactions. Widen my vision beyond my own small world to embrace with knowledge and love the worlds of others. Help me, Lord, to always see You at work in my own life and in the lives of others. Bless me with insight, acceptance and love that is tempered by You who are all things to all men. Help me to understand, Lord. Amen.

Activity:

BIBLE TRIVIA

For each of the following words, write the phrase that best describes it, from the list below.

1. Genesis _____
2. Matthew _____
3. Thirty-nine _____
4. Greek _____
5. Noah _____
6. Rainbow _____
7. Samson _____
8. Goliath _____
9. Solomon _____
10. Furnace _____
11. Bethlehem _____
12. Camel _____
13. Bartimaeus _____
14. Thorns _____
15. Crucify _____
16. Peter _____
17. Moses _____
18. Antioch _____
19. Hallowed _____
20. Gentleness _____

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| (a) <i>held in reverence;</i> | (k) <i>the language in which most of</i> |
| (b) <i>killed by being nailed</i> | <i>the New Testament was</i> |
| <i>to a cross;</i> | <i>written</i> |
| (c) <i>Jesus healed his blindness</i> | (l) <i>a giant of a man</i> |
| (d) <i>God's promise not to</i> | (m) <i>the city in which Jesus</i> |
| <i>destroy the world again</i> | <i>was born</i> |
| (e) <i>the number of books in</i> | (n) <i>contains the sermon on</i> |
| <i>the Old Testament</i> | <i>the Mount</i> |
| (f) <i>in this city, the followers of</i> | (o) <i>he denied Jesus three</i> |
| <i>Jesus were first called</i> | <i>times;</i> |
| <i>Christians</i> | (p) <i>a fruit of the spirit</i> |
| (g) <i>a crown of this was put</i> | (q) <i>received the</i> |
| <i>on Jesus head</i> | <i>commandments from God</i> |
| (h) <i>God instructed him to</i> | (r) <i>asked God for wisdom</i> |
| <i>build an ark</i> | (s) <i>John the Baptist' wore clothes</i> |

*(i) the first book in the Bible
(j) he killed himself and many
others*

*made from the hair of this
animal,
(t) Daniel's friends were thrown
into this*

Answer from last week:

Seek ye the Lord

(Answers next week)

