

DO YOU MAKE THE GRADE?

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Committing Scripture to memory, especially large chunks of Scripture, seems like a daunting task. It doesn't have to be, though.

This school year, let's start small. We will memorize a verse, phrase by phrase. Then, we will memorize another verse until an entire chapter has been memorized. We will add to that in the future so that your students can see that it is possible to memorize an entire book of the Bible! That may still seem overwhelming, but the first chapter of the book of First John only has ten verses.

Encourage your students to make the grade. They can do it.

You will find several things included here to help you as you work with your students to memorize First John, Chapter One.

- An Answer Page that includes all of the verses to be memorized.
- A Student Page for writing in memory verses as they are learned. Use this with your students to keep track of their progress.
- Review Pages for practicing each verse. These pages aid in learning each verse well.

So, what are you waiting for? Kick off the school year with a task more important than anything else your students will learn this year—hiding God's word in their heart!

First John, Chapter 1

1 Here is what we announce to everyone about the Word of life. He was already here from the beginning. We have heard Him. We have seen Him with our eyes. We have looked at Him. Our hands have touched Him.

2 That life has appeared. We have seen Him. We give witness about Him. And we announce to you that same eternal life. He was already with the Father. He has appeared to us.

3 We announce to you what we have seen and heard. We do it so you can share life together with us. And we share life with the Father and with His Son, Jesus Christ.

4 We are writing this to make our joy complete.

5 Here is the message we have heard from him and announce to you. God is light. There is no darkness in Him at all.

6 Suppose we say that we share life with God but still walk in the darkness. Then we are lying. We are not living by the truth.

7 But suppose we walk in the light, just as He is in the light. Then we share life with one another. And the blood of Jesus, his Son, makes us pure from all sin.

8 Suppose we claim we are without sin. Then we are fooling ourselves. The truth is not in us.

9 But God is faithful and fair. If we admit that we have sinned, He will forgive us our sins. He will forgive every wrong thing we have done. He will make us pure.

10 If we say we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar. His word has no place in our lives.

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1 Here is what . . .

2 That life . . .

3 We announce to you . . .

4 We are . . .



5 Here is the . . .

6 Suppose we say . . .

7 But suppose we . . .

8 Suppose we claim . . .

9 But God is . . .



10 If we say . . .