‘Godly Play’ Resources

Available for you to borrow from
Diocesan Resources Centre,
St Albans Diocese

Godly Play is a non-coercive way to encourage children to move into larger dimensions of belief and faith, through wondering questions and open-ended response time.

It is a way of preparing children to join in the worship and life of their congregations as they develop a deeper understanding of stories, symbols and rites.
Godly Play is:
- is a creative and imaginative approach to Christian nurture
- is based on long established, tried and tested approaches
- uses symbols and objects as well as words
- values process, openness and discovery
- encourages people to make meaning for themselves.

A Godly Play session includes a time to:
- get ready
- tell a story using objects and artefacts
- explore the story more with open questions and discussion
- respond with a free choice using a variety of materials - art... silence... play...writing...
- enjoy a simple feast and sharing.

Listed below are the various Godly Play boxes we have put together for you to borrow:

Old Testament
Adam and Eve
Abraham and Sarah
Creation
Creation (early years)
David and Goliath
Entering the Promised Land
Exodus
Jonah
Noah
The Great Family
The Ten Commandments.
Enrichment Lessons
The Story of Jacob	Lesson 4
The Story of Joseph	Lesson 5
The Story of Ruth	Lesson 7
The Story of Elijah	Lesson 10
The Story of Jeremiah	Lesson 12
The Story of Daniel	Lesson 14
The Story of Job.	Lesson 15

New Testament
The Boy Jesus in the Temple
Jesus is baptized
Jesus and Bartimaeus
Jesus and the Children
Jesus and Zacchaeus
Jesus in the Wilderness
Jesus Enters Jerusalem
Jesus’ Last Passover
Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene
Jesus on the Road to Emmaus.

Parable Boxes
The Good Shepherd
The Good Shepherd and the Lord’s Supper
The Good Shepherd and the Wolf
The Good Shepherd and World Communion
The Good Samaritan
The Great Banquet
The Mustard Seed
The Pearl of Great Price
The Sower
The Risen Christ and the Good Shepherd.

Large Boxes
Synagogue and the Upper Room
The Temple – a House for God
The Church’s Year.

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Advent
Advent 1 – 4
The Holy Family.

Easter
Easter egg Legend
Faces of Easter
Holy Week and Easter
The Mystery of Easter.

Pentecost
Pentecost
The Mystery of Pentecost
Paul’s Discovery.

Liturical
Holy Baptism
How the Church tells the Time
The Holy Eucharist.

Books are also available to explain Godly Play in more depth and show how stories fit into a termly programme if required.

**Borrow a Godly Play resource**
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