



A 4-DAY VBS SERIES FROM THE BIBLE ON

SPIRITUAL HABITS

FROM OUR ANNUAL *TEACHING STRATEGY*

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INSTRUCTIONS

On top of your VBS teaching time, there's a lot that goes into your VBS programming. Between the décor, graphics, music, games, funny characters and sketches, take-homes, coloring pages — there's a lot to do. But don't fret! We did your homework for you! **Our VBS Programming Guide has a bunch of creative ideas to bridge your teaching and programming together** and make your VBS really come alive.

HOW TO PREPARE FOR THIS SERIES



DESIGN

We made **lots of graphics** for you! Use them to create slides, social media posts, and more! You can find them in your [Graphics folder](#) and [Video folder](#). They include . . .

- Editable series graphics
- A 60-second bumper video
- Title and background slides (horizontal, square, and vertical formats)
- Weekly Big Idea images (horizontal, square, and vertical formats)
- Posters (horizontal and vertical)
- Memory verse images



DECORATE

During Mission: DEEP SEA, kids will dive deep in the ocean to explore the depths of God's love. For decorating inspiration, check out our [Pinterest board](#) or the links below for some O-fish-al FREE VBS ideas

- [Blue Foil Backdrop](#)
- [Fish Net](#)
- [Ocean Themed Party Kit](#)
- [Jelly Fish Lanterns](#)
- [Ocean Wall Stickers](#)
- [Streamers](#)
- [Ocean Battery Operated Lights](#)
- [Ocean Wave Projector](#)



MUSIC

Music adds an extra layer of fun and hype for the kids. Be sure to have music playing as kids arrive and go home each day, in between as kids are traveling to different stations or starting a new activity, and during snack and meals. Check out our [Spotify playlists](#) for some songs we like!

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PRIZES

We made a list of fun prizes and giveaways for kids that go along with Mission: DEEP SEA. You can use these as prizes for small contests throughout VBS, such as games or memory verse competitions, or even as incentives for early registration. We've also included volunteer appreciation ideas as a way to say thank you to those hard-working people who you couldn't do this without!

Giveaways and Prizes:

- [Make-A-Sea Creature Sticker Packs](#)
- [Ocean Animal Scratch Art](#)
- [Grow in Water Sea Creatures](#)
- [Ocean Bubble Necklaces](#)

Volunteer Appreciation:

- [Ocean Themed Thank You Cards](#)
- [Tropical Fish Straws](#)
- [Fish Draw String Bags](#)
- [Shark Masks](#)



COSTUMES

Take your VBS programming to the next level with these fun costumes! You can have adult volunteers dress up as the same character each day to host, or go wild and bring in different characters every day. You could even have a dress-up and photo booth corner for kids and adults alike!




- [Diver](#)
- [Shark](#)
- [Whale](#)
- [Sea Horse](#)
- [Star Fish](#)
- [Octopus](#)





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