



Growing Up In Faith

MEMORY VERSE:

John 1:1, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (KJV)

BOTTOM LINE:

Faith grows out of the Word of God.

▶ TO THE TEACHER:

There are three steps to growing up in faith.

1. God and His Word are one.
2. Faith begins when the will of God is known.
3. Faith grows out of the Word of God.

God and His Word are one. John 1:1 says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." We don't really seek faith, we need to seek God and faith will come. The Bible says, "If you seek Me, you will find Me."

How do we seek God? By spending time in His Word, because God and His Word are one. The more time we spend in the Word of God, the more our faith grows and we get closer to God.

Faith begins when the will of God is known. We can't just ask God for whatever pops into our head. It was crazy for Abraham and Sarah to have a baby when they were in their 90's, but it wasn't their idea. It was God's idea. The reason Abraham had faith was because he knew it was God's will. How can we know the will of God for sure? By reading the Bible. The Word of God is the will of God. When we spend time reading the Bible, then we know the will of God and this increases our faith.

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Faith grows out of the Word of God. The first step to building your faith is to listen to preachers preach the Word, however, if you really want your faith to grow you need to take the time to read the Bible for yourself. Faith is a natural result of being in the Word of God. We don't have to try and make faith come. If we read our Bibles and spend time in God's Word, faith will come. If you jump in the swimming pool you will get wet. If you jump in the Word you will get faith.



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LARGE GROUP SCHEDULE

Today's Date: _____

Lead Teacher: _____

WHO	LESSON OUTLINE	WHAT
_____	1. Participation Awards	
_____	2. Praise & Worship	
_____	3. Announcements	
_____	4. Offering	
_____	5. Motion Comic:	Adventures of the Masked Hero #6
_____	6. Bottom Line:	Faith grows out of the Word of God.
_____	7. Memory Verse:	John 1:1, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."(KJV)
_____	8. Drama:	Rick Shaw: Muscle Man
_____	9. Object Lesson:	Faith Grows Out Of The Word of God
_____	10. Short Film:	Operation Get Faith Part 2
_____	11. Inter-Active Lesson:	Hide & Seek
_____	12. Altar Call	
_____	13. Digital Review Questions	
_____	14. Small Groups	



MOTION COMIC: *The Adventures of the Masked Hero*

Growing Up In Faith: Episode #6

TO THE TEACHER:

The purpose of the Motion Comic is to give the kids something fun to look forward to each week and to introduce the lesson.

TO THE KIDS:

- Johnny is pretty crazy.
- He thought he could grow his faith by planting his Bible in the ground.
- Is that how we grow our faith?
- No way.
- Faith grows out of the Word of God.
- The more time we spend reading the Bible the stronger our faith will be.



Panel 1



Panel 2



Panel 3



Panel 4



DRAMA

Rick Shaw: "Muscle Man"

BOTTOM LINE:

Faith comes by the hearing of the Word of God.

CHARACTERS:

Rick Shaw

PROPS:

Rick Shaw Costume
(Sleeveless T-Shirt, Bright Wind Pants, Sweatbands, Mullet wig)

DRAMA SCRIPT:

(Rick Shaw enters.)

R.S.: Hello students! I am Rick Shaw! Ka Bam! (Punches the air) And this is Fitness 101
Ka Bam! (Punches the air)

Teacher: Uhh... I think you have the wrong building...

R.S.: Be quiet pip-squeak or I'll punch your face in! Ka Bam! (Punches the air)

Teacher: I'm sorry, but this is not a fitness class. It is a Super church classroom!

R.S.: Well, perfect. I can help make this a real Super church! After you get done with my workout routine, you will all be Super Church boys and girls! Ka Bam! (Punches the air) Can I do that?

Teacher: Sure...

R.S.: Of course I can, 'cuz I'm Rick Shaw! Ka Bam! (Punches the air) First lesson, muscles! (Flexes)

Teacher: Sounds interesting. What about them?

R.S.: They seem complex, right?

Teacher: Right.

R.S.: WRONG! They are simple! Easy peasy!

Teacher: Okay, muscles are simple.

R.S.: You just need to know two simple things about muscles! First is resistance.

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Rick Shaw: "Muscle Man" Drama Script — Continued

Teacher: Resistance? Like when a mom tells a kid to clean his room, and he doesn't want to?

R.S.: No! Not like that at all! Resistance is making your muscles do things that are a little too hard for them to do comfortably! Do you know why you do this?

Teacher: Actually...

R.S.: No! You don't! You know why? 'Cuz I'm Rick Shaw Ka Bam! (Punches the air)

Teacher: Okay... Why do you put resistance on your muscles?

R.S.: Because when your muscles do things that are too hard for them one time, it is easier the next time. This makes your muscles stronger and stronger as you go. (Flexes)

Teacher: I can see that.

R.S.: Can you? Can you really see it? (Flexes his arm in the teacher's face) Yes you can! 'Cuz I'm Rick Shaw! Ka Bam! (Punches the air)

Teacher: (Pushes his flexed arm out of his face.) Uh... yes I can see it. So, what is the other thing you need to know about muscles?

R.S.: Nutrients! You need to feed them! Do you know what you feed them?

Teacher: You feed them... (Cut off)

R.S.: You feed them protein! The protein builds them up. Makes them grow. Without protein, our muscles would be puny, weak, and worthless!

Teacher: So that's it?

R.S.: That's it! Work your muscles, and feed your muscles!

Teacher: Muscles sound a lot like faith?

R.S.: Pssshhhh! NO WAY!

Teacher: Yes way!

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Rick Shaw: "Muscle Man" Drama Script — Continued

R.S.: How?

Teacher: Well, you have to work your faith. Just like your muscles, each time you use your faith, it gets easier. Then you can use your faith on bigger and bigger things.

R.S.: That makes sense, but do you have to feed your faith?

Teacher: Yes. Just like muscles, if you never feed your faith, it will never grow.

R.S.: Uh-huh. So what do you feed your faith?

Teacher: The Word of God.

R.S.: How do you hear God?

Teacher: His word is the Bible.

R.S.: So I have to eat the Bible to build my faith?

Teacher: (Chuckles) No. Faith grows when you hear the Word of God.

R.S.: I knew that! You know how?

Teacher: 'Cuz you're Rick Shaw! Ka Bam! (Punches the air)

R.S.: You're a quick learner! So this really is a church?

Teacher: Yes. I'm afraid so.

R.S.: Uh... can you tell me how to get to Big Bob's Gym?

Teacher: Left out of the parking lot and right at the second stoplight. It's the third building on the left.

R.S.: Thanks. I'll be seeing you again 'cuz I'm Rick Shaw! Ka Bam! (Punches the air)

(Rick Shaw Exits)

THE END

**OBJECT LESSON*****Faith Grows Out Of The Word*****SCRIPTURE REFERENCE:**

Matthew 13:23

TAKE HOME POINT:

Faith grows out of the Word of God.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Package of bean seeds
- Potting soil
- Three plastic cups
- Bible

PREPARATION:***1 week before you teach this lesson***

- Plant some green bean seeds in a plastic cup (plant several to make sure you have a plant growing by class time).
- Make sure to water your plant during the week.

Day you teach this lesson

- Place package of bean seeds, bean plant and Bible on table in front of class.

OBJECT LESSON APPLICATION:

(Hold up the package of bean seeds. Take one seed out and show the kids.)

One week ago I planted some bean seeds and they grew up into this plant. I planted a seed, watered the soil and it grew into this - something new. It isn't a seed anymore, it is a plant.

The Bible says that God's Word is like a seed. When I read the Bible and understand it, it is like planting a seed in my heart. The seed of the Word in my heart doesn't stay a seed, it grows up into faith. Faith grows out of the Word of God.

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Faith Grows Out of the Word of God Object Lesson — *Continued*

(Hold up your Bible.)

Have you ever felt like God was really close to you? Have you ever felt like God was far away?

Maybe you did something bad and you felt guilty. You asked God to forgive you, but you still feel like God is far away. What should you do?

Read your Bible. God and His Word are one. When you read the Bible it grows up into faith and causes you to get closer to God.



**INTER-ACTIVE
OBJECT LESSON**

Hide & Seek

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN: Jeremiah 29:13

WHAT YOU NEED: 4 contestants

PREPARATION: Ask three of the Contestants to leave the room while one of the Contestants hides in the classroom (pick out the hiding spot ahead of time).

INSTRUCTIONS: When the three Contestants come back in, ask them to find "Joey's Nose." Give a prize to the first kid that finds "Joey's Nose."

SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:

When you guys were looking for "Joey's Nose," what were you looking for? You were looking for Joey. You knew that if you found Joey, his nose would be with him. The same is true with faith. We don't seek faith, we seek God and faith comes. God says, "If you seek Me, you will find Me." How do we seek God today? The primary way to seek God is to read the Bible. If we are really seeking God we will spend time reading the Bible every day. God is in the Bible. We don't have to spend time getting faith. We spend our time seeking God by reading the Bible and faith will come. Faith grows out of the Word of God.

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DIGITAL REVIEW QUESTIONS

NEEDED: Review Prizes (penny candy for right answers)

▶ TO THE TEACHER:

The **Digital Review Questions** are a part of "The Masked Hero" download.

Once you get to the Memory Verse, then **PAUSE** the video.

After you have done your teaching then **PLAY** the Digital Review Questions.

You can turn this into a **Review Game** by rewarding kids for correct answers.

- Faith grows out of _____.
A. my garden
B. the Word of God
C. my prayers
D. my shower
- John 1:1 says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, _____."
A. and the Word was eternal
B. and the Word was the New Living Translation
C. and the Word was on my coffee table
D. and the Word was God
- How do we seek God?
A. By reading my Bible
B. Going to church
C. Praise & worship
D. All of the above
- Faith begins _____.
A. when the will of God is known
B. when I brush my teeth
C. when I get a good idea
D. when I do my homework
- God says, "If you seek Me."
A. it will take a long time
B. it will be really boring
C. you will find Me
D. you will find your cat



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PROP LIST (Props, supplies, costumes and characters)

_____ Participation Awards (Large candy bars or prizes)

_____ How many needed?

_____ Review Prizes (penny candy)

Rick Shaw: "Muscle Man" — Pages 5-7

Characters

_____ Rick Shaw

_____ Props (Rick Shaw Costume - Sleeveless T-Shirt, Bright Wind Pants, Sweatbands, Mullet wig)

Object Lesson: Faith Grows Out of the Word of God — Pages 8-9

Plant some green bean seeds in a plastic cup (plant several to make sure you have a plant growing by class time.)

_____ Package of bean seeds

_____ Potting Soil

_____ Three plastic cups

_____ Bible

Inter-Active Lesson: Hide & Seek— Pages 10

_____ 4 contestants

Small Group: Faith Comes With The Bible

_____ 1 squirt gun

_____ How many needed?

Special Edition: Pastoring Your Kids

_____ How many needed?