

EXAMPLES OF DESIRED OUTCOMES OF MATURING FAITH IN CHILDREN PRE-K THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL

Pre-K: FEELING

DESIRED OUTCOME: Rooted in attitudes & feelings that can mature into special relationships

- EXAMPLE: Apologizes after hurting a classmate
- EXAMPLE: Obedient to classroom rules and teachers

DESIRED OUTCOME: Building blocks for commitments and decisions

- EXAMPLE: Sings praise songs
- EXAMPLE: Prays

K-2nd Grade: BELONGING

DESIRED OUTCOME: Experience results of active trust in God - faith is reasonable and real

- EXAMPLE: Seeks out prayer during church prayer time
- EXAMPLE: Prays for his or her own needs or needs of others at home or at Sunday School or church
- EXAMPLE: Volunteers to give the opening or closing prayer during Sunday School class
- EXAMPLE: Volunteers to pray over meals at home
- EXAMPLE: Verbalizes that God is responsible for the good things they have or the good things that happen in their life
- EXAMPLE: Verbalizes that God will help them in a tough situation
- EXAMPLE: Genuinely understands the message in the lesson
- EXAMPLE: Asks questions after class lesson

DESIRED OUTCOME: May grasp forgiveness and want to accept that gift from Jesus

- EXAMPLE: Verbalize that Jesus died for their sins
- EXAMPLE: Exhibits tolerance of others and seeks ways to include others in activities
- EXAMPLE: Shows genuine remorse when a mistake is made and asks for forgiveness
- EXAMPLE: Recognizes others' remorse and offers forgiveness
- EXAMPLE: Begins asking tough questions about Jesus as they try to reinforce their belief

3rd-5th Grade: DECISION & COMMITMENT

DESIRED OUTCOME: Real relationship with God

- EXAMPLE: Action comes from applying something that was read or learned
- EXAMPLE: Asking for prayer during Sunday morning prayer time
- EXAMPLE: Deep questions are asked after the lesson
- EXAMPLE: Prays out loud during prayer time

DESIRED OUTCOME: Personal decision for baptism

- EXAMPLE: Decides to be baptized

DESIRED OUTCOME: Participation in local church community

- EXAMPLE: Helping with the offering
- EXAMPLE: Participation in Wednesday children's programming
- EXAMPLE: Participation in worship band

6th-8th Grade: PERSONAL

DESIRED OUTCOME: Personal faith built on God's grace

- EXAMPLE: Praying with each other
- EXAMPLE: Praying out loud in a group setting
- EXAMPLE: Maintains a personal prayer/devotional plan for intrinsic reward rather than outside incentive
- EXAMPLE: Forms relationship with a Christian adult role model

DESIRED OUTCOME: Seek God's will for decisions

- EXAMPLE: Decides to be baptized
- EXAMPLE: Prays and seeks God's will before making a decision
- EXAMPLE: Chooses to go on service trips
- EXAMPLE: Chooses to attend spiritual retreats

DESIRED OUTCOME: Role model for peers and younger children

- EXAMPLE: Participation in service, such as reading scripture, worship band, offering, greeting, cafe, help in pre-k class
- EXAMPLE: Disciples peer

High School: CHALLENGED & MATURED

DESIRED OUTCOME: Spiritually mature behavior / formal commitment to a Christian Community

- EXAMPLE: Attends Christian community on their own without requirement from parents
- EXAMPLE: Seeks to become a formal member of the local church
- EXAMPLE: Participation in service, such as reading scripture, worship band, offering, greeting, cafe, help in pre-k class
- EXAMPLE: Chooses to attend spiritual retreats
- EXAMPLE: Shows love for others rather than looking down on others

DESIRED OUTCOME: Decisions based on God's will / rebound from poor choices

- EXAMPLE: Repentance after sin
- EXAMPLE: Realizes activities that are not godly and stops
- EXAMPLE: Seeks spiritual growth rather than entertainment
- EXAMPLE: Prays and seeks God's will before making a decision

DESIRED OUTCOME: "I am who Christ says I am."

- EXAMPLE: Goes against worldly culture
- EXAMPLE: Leads a Christian group
- EXAMPLE: Stands up for faith
- EXAMPLE: Disciples peer



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