

CHILDREN'S TALK - BIBLE SUNDAY

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- Who knows what this is? (show them the big Bible sitting on the pulpit).
- And who knows what this is? (show them a children's storybook Bible)
- And who knows what this is? (show them a miniature version)

Yep they are all bibles.

Did you know that the bible is the biggest selling book of all times?

And the bible has been translated into more than 2000 languages?

Today is known as Bible Sunday – it's the day where millions of churches all over the world thank God for giving us this very special book that teaches us about God's love and how he wants us to live.

I have brought my bible with me today. I got this bible when I was 17 years old - which makes it quite old. Sometimes I think I probably should get a new one, but the thing about the bible is that it is like an old and much loved friend. And when our friends get old and a little wrinkly (like my bible) we don't replace them with young new smooth ones do we? So I'm keeping my bible.

(Open to a particular highlighted and scribbled page) You'll see if you look in my bible that there's writing in it and some bits are underlined or highlighted. There are also favourite bookmarks in it and notes that I've used in the past. Now your mum and dad may have told you that you shouldn't write in books, but I think the bible is one book you should be able to write in because you need to mark all your favourite readings so you can find them whenever you need them.

You see the bible is like a guide book for living. And a well-used guide book always has lots of writing in it and some pages are marked with dog ears.

I drove past Glendowie Presbyterian Church one day and there was a big sign outside that said:

(POWERPOINT SLIDE 1)

B – Best
I – Instructions
B – Before
L – Leaving
E - Earth

Pauline asked me to share my favourite bible verse with you today. When I was little. I was a real worry bug. I worried I might miss my bus, I worried my mum would die, I worried my dog would get lost. I worried about just about everything. Then one day when I was reading my bible I discovered that I don't ever need to worry because God is watching over me and has everything in hand.

(POWERPOINT SLIDE 2)



(POWERPOINT SLIDE 3)

Let's read it together.

25"I tell you this: Do not worry about your life. Do not worry about what you are going to eat and drink. Do not worry about what you are going to wear. Is not life more important than food? Is not the body more important than clothes? 26Look at the birds in the sky. They do not plant seeds. They do not gather grain. They do not put grain into a building to keep. Yet your Father in heaven feeds them! Are you not more important than the birds? 27Which of you can make himself a little taller by worrying? 28Why should you worry about clothes? Think how the flowers grow. They do not work or make cloth. 29But I tell you that Solomon in all his greatness was not dressed as well as one of these flowers. 30God clothes the grass of the field. It lives today and is burned in the stove tomorrow. How much more will He give you clothes? You have so little faith! 31Do not worry. Do not keep saying, 'What will we eat?' or, 'What will we drink?' or, 'What will we wear?' 32The people who do not know God are looking for all these things. Your Father in heaven knows you need all these things. 33First of all, trust God. Be right with Him. All these other things will be given to you also. 34Do not worry about tomorrow. Tomorrow will have its own worries. The troubles we have in a day are enough for one day.