



# Preaching Guide

## Focus Scripture Texts Suggested by Foundational Essays

Each session of a practice focuses on an aspect or dimension of that faith practice. The suggested Bible texts below include key texts discussed in the foundational essays found in each unit or practice. Each age level may use these texts or other texts appropriate to their age. In a few units of the curriculum, the sessions for some age levels vary slightly from the foundational essay for that practice. Note indicated by asterisks at the end explain those variations.

Practice	Aspect or Dimension	Suggested Bible Texts
<b>Make Peace*</b>	Cultivate Inner Peace	Matthew 4:1–2, Luke 5:15–16
	Overcome Fear	Luke 10:25–37
	Share Resources	Luke 10:25–37
	Honor Every Living Thing	Matthew 5:9, John 20:19
<b>Practice Generosity</b>	Share Resources	Luke 10:25–37, Acts 2:43–47
	Share Wisdom	Deuteronomy 6:4–7, Acts 18:24–28
	Share Justice	Isaiah 58:1–12, Luke 4:18–19
	Share Power	Luke 18:18–30
<b>Forgive</b>	Name Sin	Luke 15:11–24; Luke 18:9–14; 1 John 1:8–9
	Receive Forgiveness	Psalms 32:1–7;
	Forgive Others	Matthew 18:21–35
	Build a Bridge	Genesis 50:19–20
<b>Go Tell</b>	Tell the Right Story	Luke 4:16–21
	Break the Good News	John 1:14
	Join the Chorus	Acts 8:26–40; Isaiah 56:3–5; Colossians 3:12–17
	Tell of the Hope Within You	1 Peter 3:15
<b>Honor Sabbath</b>	Celebrate Sabbath	Matthew 12:1–8
	Rest with God	Genesis 1:26–2.3
	Live in Holy Rhythm	Exodus 20:8–11
	Return with Gladness	Luke 13:10–17
<b>Sing a New Song</b>	Sing Liberation	Exodus 15:1–21
	Sing Tribulation	Psalms 22:1–31
	Sing Transformation	Luke 1:46–56
	Sing New Creation	Revelation 7:9–17
<b>Love God, Neighbor, Enemy</b>	Love Extravagantly	Luke 10:27; Luke 6:27–42
	Serve a Stranger	1 Kings 17:8–24; Matthew 25:35
	Show Mercy	1 Samuel 24
	Wash Another’s Feet	John 13:1–20
	Be Courageous	Acts 7; Luke 6:22
	Live peaceably	Romans 12:1–2, 9–21
<b>Pray</b>	Approach God with Openness	Matthew 6:9–13
	Persist, Humbly	Luke 18:1–14
	Pray With and For Others	James 5:13–16
	Access the Fullness of Humanity	Psalms 22:14–15; Luke 22:39–44
<b>Do Justice</b>	See Injustice	Micah 6:8; John 7:53–8:11
	Check Your Prejudice	James 2:1–7
	Speak Up	John 2:13–16
	Do the Work	Isaiah 58:1–12

\*Make Peace—Most of the age levels use the following aspects based off the foundational essay: Know Peace (Matthew 5:9, Take a Step Back (Luke 6:6–13), Understand Others (Luke 10:25–37), and Take Risks for Peace (1 Samuel 25:2–35)