



# THE LIGHTGLIDERS

## LEADER GUIDE



**HOW THE LIGHTGLIDERS VIRTUAL WORLD  
ENCOURAGES BIBLICAL FAITH, POSITIVE VALUES, AND  
MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS AMONG KIDS**

# Greetings!

Whether you're a parent, grandparent, guardian, ministry leader, or mentor, THANK YOU for taking the time to learn more about Lightgliders. It is a virtual world of Christian faith, games, and community designed to encourage biblical faith, positive values, and meaningful conversations.

We created Lightgliders to impact kids before their teenage years in a culturally relevant manner. Fundamental perspectives on truth, morality, purpose, and faith are firmly in place before the teenage years. Lightgliders offers a fun way to engage the kids you care about during their most critical years. Everything in the story, content, and gameplay was designed to teach a biblical worldview, to encourage prayer and reflection, to cast a vision for real-world service, and to spark conversations about life's most important questions. Thank you for taking the time to review this Leader Guide. It explains how Lightgliders can be used as a fun discipleship tool that inspires kids to **KNOW**, **GROW** in, and **SHOW** God's love.

Thank you for investing in the next generation. With every conversation, you are planting seeds of hope, purpose, and truth!

Glide on!

  
Zach Fay  
Lightgliders creator



# THE LIGHTGLIDERS STORY AND GAMEPLAY

Lightgliders is a virtual world where kids play fun games and enter into a story where they become one of the characters. Your kids become students at Lightglider Academy where they are sent out on purposeful missions. Everything is designed to teach a biblical worldview in a fun, gameplay-driven way. The Lightgliders gameplay goals are to **RESPECT**, **RESCUE**, and **RESTORE**. These goals reflect God's love for us and His plan for the world.

## RESPECT

Lightgliders are to respect themselves and each other. Lightgliders practice respect in how they treat and encourage each other in the Academy. This goal to respect is based upon the truth that every human being was created in the image of God and, therefore, has inherent dignity.

*"So God created human beings in his own image."  
Genesis 1:27a (NLT)*



## RESCUE



Lightgliders are sent on missions to battle Machines and to rescue the Gliddles. Once rescued, the Gliddles live in the safety of the Treehouses and enjoy friendship at the Academy. The goal to rescue is based upon the ultimate rescue mission—the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

*"Jesus gave his life for our sins, just as God our Father planned, in order to rescue us from this evil world in which we live." Galatians 1:4 (NLT)*

## RESTORE

Lightgliders shine their light in the darkness to clear the blight and to restore the land's beauty and purpose. The goal to restore is based upon the knowledge that God will one day restore this broken world.

*"For he must remain in heaven until the time for the final restoration of all things, as God promised long ago through his holy prophets."  
Acts 3:21 (NLT)*



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## KNOW

### A Biblical Worldview and the Lightglider Values

A biblical worldview is important to understand because it shares the story of God's love for us, answers life's biggest questions, and encourages positive values to guide decisions and behaviors. Substantiated by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, a biblical worldview provides the foundation for the five Lightglider values, which are purpose, humility, confidence, hope, and love.

#### CREATION

The Bible begins by telling us that God created the world and everything in it.

*"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." Genesis 1:1 (NLT)*

#### PURPOSE

If God created us, then there is purpose for our lives. We can live as if our lives matter, because they do!

#### REBELLION

The Bible teaches that we are sinful due to our selfishness. Every one of us has rebelled against God and has contributed to the darkness in the world.

*"For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard." Romans 3:23 (NLT)*

#### HUMILITY

If this is true, then we are dead in our sin and in need of God's forgiveness. Aware of such weakness, we always have a reason to live with humility.

#### REDEMPTION

The Bible tells us how God's Son, Jesus, defeated sin and death through His death and resurrection. Those who trust in Him are redeemed. The cross is the ultimate rescue mission.

*"But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." Romans 5:8 (NLT)*

#### CONFIDENCE

In spite of our rebellion, God loves us. The cross event is the evidence of this. Knowing that we are loved by the One who forgives our past and secures our future gives us confidence.

#### RESTORATION

The Bible says that Jesus was resurrected from the dead and will come back one day to restore all things to their intended beauty and purpose.

*"For he must remain in heaven until the time for the final restoration of all things, as God promised long ago through his holy prophets." Acts 3:21 (NLT)*

#### HOPE

Because of this promise, we can look to the future with hope knowing that all will be made right. The redeemed will live forever with God in His kingdom. The future is bright!

#### JESUS

The Bible teaches that God loves us and sent Jesus to rescue us. Through His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus showed us how to love.

*"So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other." John 13:34 (NLT)*



#### LOVE

At the cross, God gave us the ultimate example of love. Because God showed us His love through Jesus, we should love others.

Lightgliders follows a weekly calendar of themes, Scriptures, and reflection questions about these truths. Families are encouraged to follow along and talk about them with their kids.

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## GROW

### In a Loving Relationship with God

Growing in a relationship with God comes through prayer and reflection upon truth. Lightgliders offers activities to help. They include:



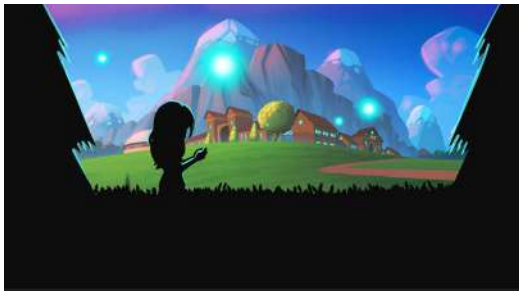
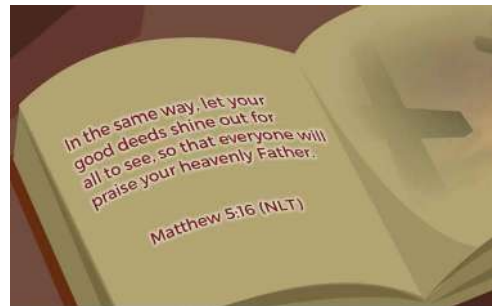
## THEMES

Each week there is a new Scripture-based theme inside of Lightgliders. There are activities that encourage learning and reflection about a specific topic. Follow the weekly themes with your kids!



## SPARKS

Lightglider Sparks are short devotional videos designed to 'spark' meaningful conversations about biblical truths. Each includes a key Bible verse and a reflection question to help apply these truths to everyday life.



## PRAYERS

Lightgliders Prayers are videos that offer Scripture and content to encourage kids to pray. Each ends with a question to prompt additional prayer and reflection.



## NEWS

Lightglider News offers the weekly themes, lessons, and reflection questions in addition to fun updates about what is happening in the Lightgliders community!



*Families can do these activities together to encourage meaningful conversations, additional Scripture reading, and times of prayer.*

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## **SHOW** God's Love to the World

Your kids were "Made to Shine!" To shine means to love God and love others. Lightgliders has seven student leaders designed to showcase diversity in gifts, passions, abilities, personalities, experiences, and nations of origin. We want your kids to understand and embrace how they were uniquely created to show God's love and make an impact on the world.

### **LIGHTGLIDER ACADEMY LEADERS**

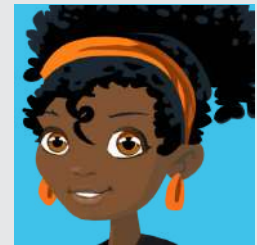
#### **Bryce**

Home Country: **Australia**  
Personality: **Courageous and friendly**  
Passion: **Missions to rescue and restore**  
Theme Verse: **Matthew 28:19-20**  
Keyword: **GO**



#### **Tambika**

Home Country: **Tanzania**  
Personality: **Ambitious and organized**  
Passion: **Servant leadership**  
Theme Verse: **Matthew 5:14-16**  
Keyword: **LEAD**



#### **Kwan**

Home Country: **South Korea**  
Personality: **Humble and inquisitive**  
Passion: **Solving problems behind the scenes**  
Theme Verse: **I Corinthians 15:58**  
Keyword: **HELP**



#### **Marlon**

Home Country: **United States**  
Personality: **Strong and wise**  
Passion: **Knowing and defending truth**  
Theme Verse: **II Timothy 3:16**  
Keyword: **THINK**



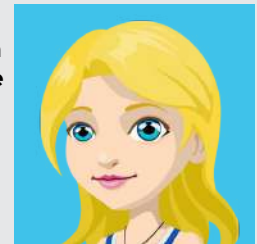
#### **Nisha**

Home Country: **India**  
Personality: **Quiet and supportive**  
Passion: **Showing hospitality and respect**  
Theme Verse: **Mark 10:43**  
Keyword: **SERVE**



#### **Tova**

Home Country: **United Kingdom**  
Personality: **Loving and carefree**  
Passion: **Purposeful adventures to offer help**  
Theme Verse: **Matthew 22:37-39**  
Keyword: **CARE**



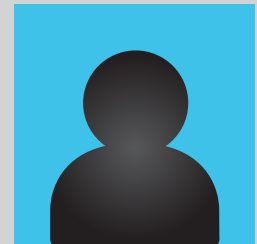
#### **Santiago**

Home Country: **Honduras**  
Personality: **Creative and joyful**  
Passion: **Spreading joy, beauty, and music**  
Theme Verse: **Nehemiah 8:10**  
Keyword: **ENJOY**



#### **Your Kids**

Home Country:  
Personality:  
Passion:  
Theme Verse:  
Keyword:



*"In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father." Matthew 5:16 (NLT)*



# Biblical Worldview Curriculum

Each week has a Bible-based theme, a key verse, and activities and reflection questions to spark meaningful conversations with the kids you care about!

| Unit                                                                                               | Key Message                                                                                                                                                                                              | Weekly Theme                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>The Lightgliders Story:<br/>Made to Shine</b><br><i>Matthew 5:16</i>                            | Lightgliders is a Christian adventure world for kids. Its gameplay and story exist to point to the <i>Far Greater Story</i> of God's love for us revealed in the Bible.                                  | 1. Lightgliders • Matthew 5:16<br>2. Made to Shine • John 1:5<br>3. The Far Greater Story • Eph. 5:1-2                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>The Lightglider Goals:<br/>What We Do</b><br><i>Proverbs 16:9</i>                               | Goals impact our actions each day. Because we are created in God's image and motivated by His love, the three goals of a Lightglider are to respect, rescue, and restore.                                | 4. Goals • Philippians 3:14<br>5. Respect • Romans 12:10<br>6. Rescue • Galatians 1:4<br>7. Restore • 1 Corinthians 15:58                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>The Lightglider Values:<br/>Who We Are</b><br><i>Matthew 7:17-18</i>                            | Values guide our decisions and behaviors. Lightgliders live with five core values that come from a biblical worldview, the true story of God's love for us.                                              | 8. Values • Matthew 7:17<br>9. Purpose • Genesis 1:27<br>10. Humility • Philippians 2:3-4<br>11. Confidence • Ephesians 3:12<br>12. Hope • 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17<br>13. Love • John 13:34                                                                                                                   |
| <b>The Lightglider Mission:<br/>To Know, Grow in, and Show God's Love</b><br><i>Romans 8:38-39</i> | As Lightgliders, we seek to KNOW, GROW in, and SHOW God's love. Each week, we'll focus on a special way to do that!                                                                                      | 14. The Bible • 2 Timothy 3:16-17<br>15. Community • Romans 12:5<br>16. Prayer • 1 Thessalonians 5:17<br>17. Reflection • Psalm 46:10<br>18. Kindness • Colossians 3:12                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>The Lightglider Leaders:<br/>Ways We Shine</b><br><i>2 Timothy 2:2</i>                          | Role models show us how to live and make a difference. By exploring the character qualities of the seven leaders of Lightglider Academy, we hope you'll discover the unique ways you were made to shine. | 19. Role Models • Hebrews 13:7<br>20. Leadership • Romans 12:8<br>21. Bravery • Mark 16:15<br>22. Friendship • Galatians 5:13<br>23. Service • Mark 10:43<br>24. Wisdom • Luke 2:52<br>25. Care • Matthew 22:37-39<br>26. Joy • Nehemiah 8:10<br>27. Faithfulness • Luke 16:10<br>28. Impact • Ephesians 2:10 |



# Biblical Worldview Curriculum

## Unit

## Key Message

## Weekly Theme

**The Lightglider  
Priority:  
Love**  
*1 Peter 4:8*

As Lightgliders, our priority today and every day is to love. We are to love God, love others, and love ourselves.

29. Love God • Deuteronomy 6:5  
30. Love Others • 1 John 4:19  
31. Love Yourself • Psalm 139:13-14

**Chapter 1 of the  
Far Greater Story:  
Creation**  
*Genesis 1:1*

The subject of CREATION revealed in the Bible answers the question of where we came from and explains purpose and human dignity.

32. Creation • Genesis 1:1  
33. Purpose • Colossians 1:16  
34. Respect • 1 Peter 2:17  
35. Creativity • 1 Peter 4:10

**Chapter 2 of the  
Far Greater Story:  
Rebellion**  
*Romans 5:12*

The subject of REBELLION revealed in the Bible answers the question of what went wrong in the world, and explains suffering, pain, death, and our need for forgiveness.

36. Rebellion • 1 John 1:8-9  
37. Humility • James 4:10  
38. Forgiveness • Acts 3:19  
39. Honesty • Colossians 3:8-10

**Chapter 3 of the  
Far Greater Story:  
Redemption**  
*Romans 6:23*

The subject of REDEMPTION revealed in the Bible answers the question of how the world will be healed and points to the only solution to sin, death, evil, and brokenness. Redemption is accomplished through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, in whom God offers salvation.

40. Redemption • Ephesians 1:7  
41. Confidence • Psalm 27:1-3  
42. Courage • Romans 8:37-39  
43. Compassion • Luke 6:35-36

**Chapter 4 of the  
Far Greater Story:  
Restoration**  
*Acts 3:21*

The subject of RESTORATION revealed in the Bible answers the question of what will happen in the future and provides incredible reasons for hope.

44. Restoration • Acts 3:20-21  
45. Hope • Titus 2:11-13  
46. Peace • John 14:27  
47. Responsibility • Colossians 3:23

**The Foundation  
of the Far  
Greater Story:  
Jesus**  
*John 3:16*

The Far Greater Story rests upon the person of Jesus Christ. His life, death, and resurrection substantiates the truth of a biblical worldview and all the Lightglider goals and values.

48. Jesus • John 14:6  
49. Love • Romans 5:8  
50. Faith • 1 Peter 1:8-9  
51. Christmas\* • Luke 2:1-21  
52. Easter\* • Luke 24:2-3

*\* These weeks coincide with Easter week and Christmas week on the calendar.*

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