



**THEME:** Hear what the Spirit says to the churches!

**MEMORY VERSE:** Revelation 1:3

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

**SONGS:** Click [here](#) for Sunday's worship set. *Be sure to subscribe to our channel!*

**TEACHING PASSAGE:** Revelation 2:8-11

See the **next page** for any additional resources, including any activities that can be done with young children.

Discussion Questions:

1. How does Jesus describe himself to the church at Smyrna and how can this be an encouragement to them?
2. Who persecutes the church at Smyrna and what did Jesus know about this church? (verse 9)
3. What is this church about to face and from whom and how does Jesus remind them of who their hope is in? (verse 10)
4. What do you think is the significance of ten days (Daniel 1:12-15) and what will be the result if they are faithful? (verse 10)
5. In verse 11 Jesus gives advice to the churches how can we as a church today be encouraged in knowing that the Spirit is with Christ's church and what is our responsibility?

## Additional Resources

**Teaching Passage:** Revelation 2:8-11

<sup>8</sup>“And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: ‘The words of the first and the last, who died and came to life.

<sup>9</sup>“ ‘I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich) and the slander of those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. <sup>10</sup> Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have tribulation. Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life. <sup>11</sup> He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. The one who conquers will not be hurt by the second death.’

### Activity

Say: some of Revelation can be confusing, strange, and perhaps even scary. But, there is nothing to fear when you are a child of God. A child of God is under his protection. That means that even in difficult times a child of God can be comforted by the Spirit and can be secure in the promises of Jesus like the ones in verse 7 from last week and verses 10 and 11.

Ask: what promises do you see in verses 8, 10, and 11.

Talk about what it means to be a child of God.

Read verses 2: 1 and 8. What is repeated in those opening verses? Look ahead and read verses 2:12 and 18, 3:1,7, and 14. Notice what is repeated?

Read verses 2:7, 11, 17, 29 and 3: 6,13, and 22. What is repeated in these verses.

Ask: Why do you think these verses are repeated for every church?

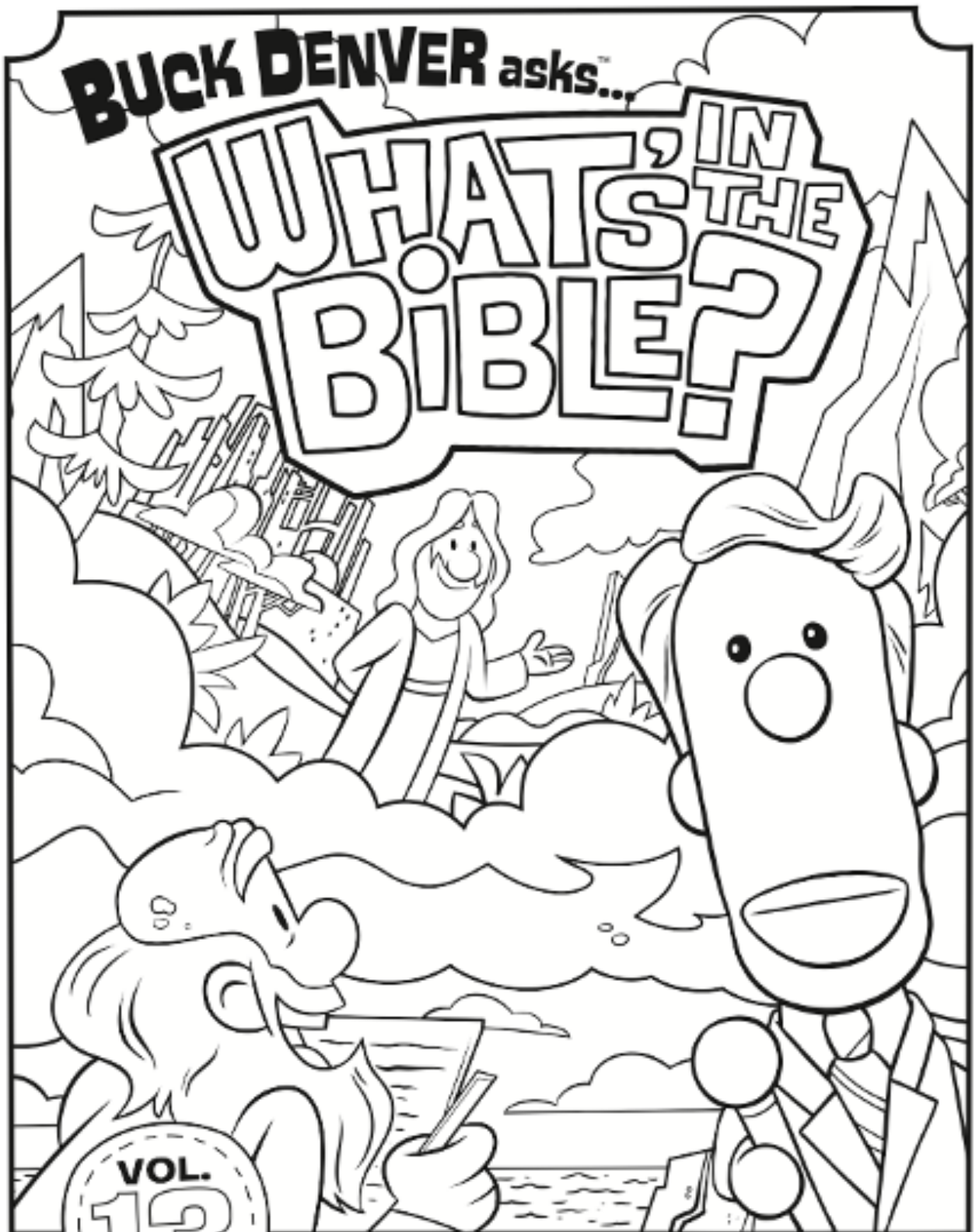
### Activities

For some fun listening games follow this link. <https://www.encourageplay.com/blog/listening-games-for-kids>

For a fun science activity follow this link. <https://youtu.be/3yqB2KFwJCo>

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