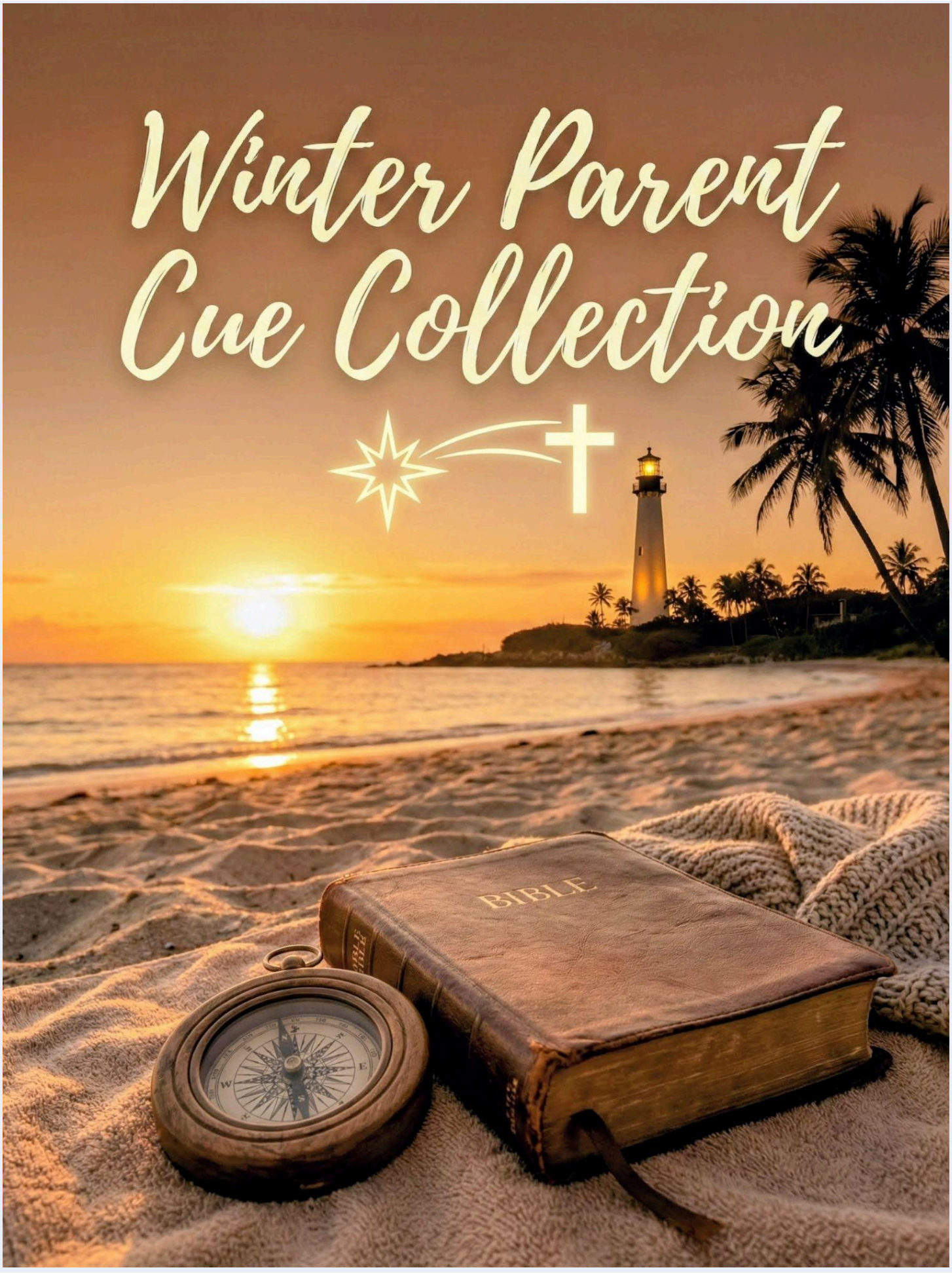
Winter Parent
Cue Collection
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🏠 Parent Cue: Winter Lessons

This guide is designed to help your family connect with what your child is learning in Sunday School. Each week, you'll find a quick summary of the lesson, a conversation starter for the dinner table, and a simple, no-prep activity to do together.

🐑 January 18: The Lamb of God

Scripture: John 1:29-42
Focus: God is at work here and now.

- 📝 **Quick Summary:** John the Baptist identifies Jesus as the "Lamb of God." Two of John's disciples follow Jesus and bring others (like Simon Peter) to meet him. We learn that God is present and active in our lives today.
- 💬 **Dinner Table Discussion:** "John pointed people toward Jesus. Who are some people in our lives today who help us see where God is working?"
- 🤝 **Family Activity (The Helping Hands Challenge):** Challenge everyone to find one "invisible" way to help someone in the house tonight (like folding a stray piece of laundry or clearing someone else's plate). Remind them that when we help each other, God is working through us!

👥 January 25: The Disciples

Scripture: Matthew 4:12-23; 9:9-13; 10:1-4
Focus: Jesus calls us into a life of service.

- 📝 **Quick Summary:** Jesus calls ordinary people—fishermen and tax collectors—to follow him and serve others. Being a disciple isn't about being "perfect"; it's about answering the call to help.
- 💬 **Dinner Table Discussion:** "If Jesus walked up to you today and asked you to help him with a big project, what is one talent or skill you have that you'd want to use for him?"
- ✅ **Family Activity (The 'Yes' Game):** For one hour (or the duration of a meal), try to say "Yes!" to every reasonable request for help or kindness within the family. Discuss afterward how it felt to be in a constant "mindset of service."

✨ February 1: The Beatitudes

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12
Focus: Jesus blesses those we least expect.

- 📝 **Quick Summary:** In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus shares the "Beatitudes." He explains that people who are sad, humble, or working for peace are especially blessed by God. We are "blessed to be a blessing" to others.
- 💬 **Dinner Table Discussion:** "Jesus said peacemakers are blessed. Where is a place in our community or school where we could help bring a little more peace or kindness?"
- 🕸️ **Family Activity (The Blessing Web):** Stand in a circle and "pass a blessing" around. One person says something they appreciate about the person to their right (e.g., "I am blessed by your sense of humor"). Continue until everyone has received a blessing.

💡 February 8: Salt and Light

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-20
Focus: I can make a difference in the world.

- 📝 **Quick Summary:** Jesus tells his followers they are the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world." Just like a little salt changes the taste of food and one small candle can light a dark room, our small actions make a big impact.
- 💬 **Dinner Table Discussion:** "Think of someone who 'lights up' a room just by being there. What do they do that makes such a big difference?"
- 🧂 **Family Activity (The Taste Test):** Try a small piece of unsalted popcorn or a cracker, then add a tiny bit of salt. Notice the huge difference it makes! Discuss how one kind word or one small helpful act can change the "flavor" of someone's whole day.

🗓️ Upcoming Lessons (Save the Dates!)

- **Feb 15:** 💢 Jesus Teaches about Anger (Matthew 5:21-37)
- **Feb 22:** ❤️ Love Your Enemies (Matthew 5:38-48)
- **Mar 1:** ☁️ Do Not Worry (Matthew 6:24-34)
- **Mar 8:** 🏔️ The Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-13)