

# Bibleodeon

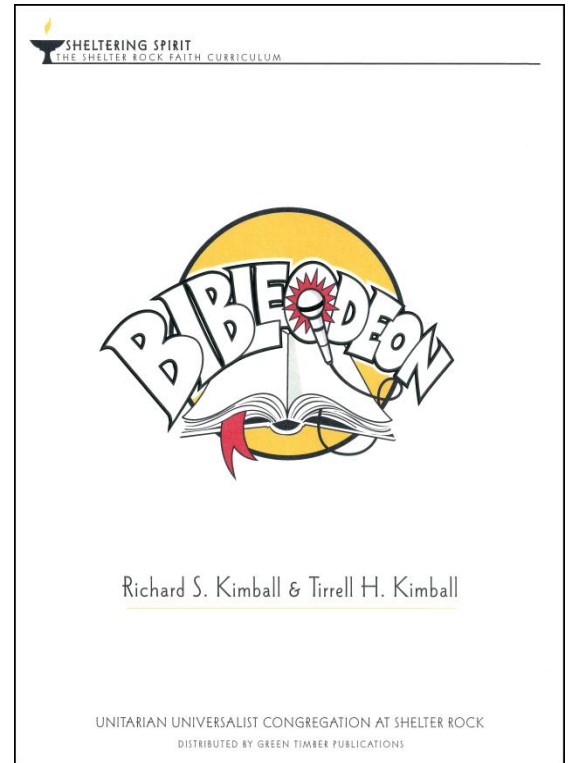
**Focus: grade 5; range: grades 5 through 8**

**Length: 24 seventy-five minute sessions**

What might you see if you enter a *Bibleodeon* room midway through the program year? Perhaps an adult Moses is challenging the group by demanding that members replace their class covenant with laws from on high. On the walls are works of *Bibleodeon* wall art made by the group and growing around the room into an illustrated timeline of Bible stories.

In the center of the room is a pulpit Bible next to the *Bibleodeon* microphone the kids sometimes use as reporters covering Bible stories. A sign announces the Mystery of the Day: *When should we lead and when should we follow?* Craft projects referencing various Bible stories are scattered here and there. On a counter are piles of Bibles and doodle books. And all around the room are happy, involved kids and teachers.

*Bibleodeon* is a component of *Sheltering Spirit: the Shelter Rock Faith Curriculum*. That's a series of four programs and a guide developed by the Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock, in Manhasset, New York, together



with Green Timber Publications – a series that has proved highly popular with congregations throughout the United States and Canada. An adapting sheet helps you change activities that are specific to Shelter Rock.

Participants don't just read but experience great stories of the Hebrew and Christian bibles. They encounter a crime scene that tells the story of Cain and Abel. They face down the temptation of candy. They conduct a Bible Women's Awards Night. They construct masks of animals that didn't make it onto the ark, and build living sculptures. They perform 11 provided playlets.

*Bibleodeon*, by Richard S. and Tirrell H. Kimball, has 370 pages, 91 of them reproducible. It is shrink-wrapped and 3-hole punched for insertion in your own binder. The price is \$90. Additional copies are \$45 each, at any time after your initial purchase. Samples are available by e-mail.

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**Introduction:** background • tips • overview

**Getting Started:** preparations checklist • letter

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**Supplements:** Resources • Session Planning Pages • Readings for Chalice Lightings • Supplemental Music and Art • Bibliography • Discography • Videography • About *Sheltering Spirit*