# **Course Description Kindergarten Social Studies**

**Philosophy Statement:** Social Studies is the systematic study of the social structures of the world from creation to the present day. By studying the individual components of social studies we learn how God's sovereign hand directs the affairs of mankind to reveal and accomplish His purpose. ("Look unto me, and be saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else." Isaiah 45:22) Each area of study sees God as the Divine Creator of all things; in control of every aspect of history, at work in the lives of individuals, and in control of timing of events on the earth in order to reveal His glory and expand His kingdom.

**Course Objective:** Students will be able to understand various family relationships and God's plan for families. They will identify and discuss community helpers and their involvement in their lives. Students will discuss the contribution Pilgrims made to our nation, the importance of the flag, and our great leaders George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. They will identify the importance of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter as it relates to their Christian heritage and God's plan for their lives.

#### Textbooks:

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Time Allotment: 20 minutes per day, 2 days per week

### **Course Content:**

- Family
- Community Helpers
- Communities
- God's Plan for our Lives
- America: Our Great Country
- Pilgrims
- Our Flag
- George Washington, Abraham Lincoln. Martin Luther King & Christopher Columbus
- Patriotic, Christian, and other Holidays
- Introductory Economic Concepts
- Introductory Map and Globe Concepts

## Areas to be evaluated:

- Class participation
- Teacher observation

#### Additional activities:

- Scholastic News
- Trade Books
- Videos
- Kindergarten Junior Achievement Curriculum