

God Talk at Home

Two & Three Year-Olds

Date: _____

This Week's Lesson:

Jesus Appears to His Followers

Take Home Point:

Jesus is alive!

DRIVE TIME HOME

PARENTS, ASK ME WHAT I DID TODAY IN KINGDOM QUEST.

- *Puppet:* Bubba hears "Pizza be with you!" instead of "Peace be with you."
- *Bible:* We read the big book, "*The Miracle of Easter*".
- *Snack:* We ate mini pizzas.
- *Craft:* We made "Jesus is alive!" celebration hand sleeves.
- *Game:* We played a rhyming game called *Do You Believe?*
- *Singing:* To the tune of *Farmer in the Dell*: "Jesus is alive. Jesus is alive. He came to save us all. Jesus is alive."

FAMILY DEVOTIONS: Read the Bible Event or Bible Verse

Let your child see that you are reading from the Bible as you paraphrase down to a few simple sentences. John 20:19-29

LEARN BY DOING:

In your rare peaceful moments, point them out to your child. Remind child that Jesus said: "Peace be with you." A simple explanation of peace is to be calm and happy.

TALK ABOUT IT:

- Children can be secure by knowing that Jesus is with them always.
- Jesus is alive, even though we can't see him.

ECHO PRAYER: Child repeats each line after adult

Dear God,
We love you.
Thank you for your Son Jesus.
He died for us.
Now he is alive.
Thank you, thank you, thank you.
In Jesus' name. Amen.

Kingdom Quest Year 1, "Resurrection" Lesson 50

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This Week's Lesson:

Jesus' Ascension

Take Home Point:

Even When We Can't See Him...Jesus is always with us.

DRIVE TIME HOME: PARENTS, ASK ME WHAT I DID TODAY



- Puppet: Judy learned that you can't feel Jesus but he is always with us.
- Bible Event: We watched a video of Jesus' ascension.
- Craft: We made a pull-through Ascension picture.
- Snack: We made and ate an Ascension snack.
- Game: We played Who Is Hiding?
- We taught Albie the take home point.



- Traveler told us how Jesus rode a cloud to heaven but his Spirit stays here with us.
- Taught Bubba that even though we can't see Jesus he is all around us through the people who love us and he is in our heart.

FAMILY DEVOTIONS: Read the Bible Event from a children's' Bible:
Jesus' Ascension (Acts 1:1-11)

TALK ABOUT IT:

- What promise did Jesus make before he ascended, went up, to heaven?
- How do we know that Jesus is with us always?
- How can knowing that Jesus is always with us help us?

PRAYER POWER:

(Have child repeat after adult)

Dear God,
We love you.
Because of you,
Jesus is with us always.
Thank you, thank you, thank you.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

SONG OF THE DAY:

(To the tune of London Bridge)

Capitalized letters indicate emphasis on that syllable when the rhyme is sung.

E-ven WHEN we CAN'T see HIM.
CAN'T see HIM. CAN'T see HIM.
E-ven WHEN we CAN'T see HIM.
JE-sus is WITH us.

FAMILY TIME OPTIONS:

Have your child help you make the snack from today's lesson as a special family snack sometime this week. (Lay a teddy graham on a graham cracker and cover with whipped topping.) As you eat the snack, have your child review the Bible event. Use this Bible event to remind you child of Jesus' presence when he or she is scared.

"Gifts From Jesus" Series, Lesson 50

Date: _____



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This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:
Jesus Appears to His Disciples by the Lake

Take Home Point:
Even after mistakes, Jesus invites us to follow him.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: Show me your paper-cutting trick. What happened in today's Bible Event? (*The paper loop was cut in half, but it wasn't separated. Peter denied Jesus, but after Jesus' resurrection, Peter wasn't "cut off." Jesus' love just got bigger.*)

Select questions and adapt for your family.

God Time at Home

FOR STARTERS: Ask family members to think of a time when they said they would do something for someone else, but somehow ended up not doing it. Let each share their story. After discussion, you might use this option: show a suitcase packed with one of the kid's clothes as if they would be asked to move out after making a mistake. Then discuss how ridiculous this would be. Even after mistakes, children are still loved and accepted by good parents. So it is with Jesus. He still invites us to follow him after we make mistakes.

READ THE BIBLE: John 21:1-25

KEY VERSE: Romans 5:8, "Christ died for us while we were still sinners. This demonstrates God's love for us."

TALK ABOUT IT: Why do you think Peter returned to his fishing business? (*Maybe he felt disqualified to be in the disciple-making business.*) How long had Peter and the other disciples fished and caught nothing? (*John 21:3. All night.*) What did Jesus, standing on the shore, tell them to do to catch fish? (*John 21:6. Throw the net out on the right side of the boat.*) What happened when they did this? (*They had so many fish in their net they were unable to pull it in.*) What can we learn from this about trying to fish for men? (*When we try on our own and are unsuccessful, we should listen to Jesus and do it his way. Then we will be successful beyond imagination.*) Why do you think the disciples didn't recognize Jesus until after they caught the fish? (*Jesus wasn't constantly with them after he rose from the dead. This was only the third time he had appeared to them after his resurrection (John 21:14), and they probably weren't expecting him. They recognized him then because the same thing happened when he first called them to be his disciples as found in Luke 5:1-11.*) What crazy thing did Peter do when he realized it was Jesus on the shore? (*John 21:7. He jumped in the water and swam to shore.*) Why do you think he did this? (*He was so eager to be with Jesus and couldn't wait.*) Why did Jesus ask three times the same question of Peter, "Do you love me?" (*Peter had denied Jesus three times, so Jesus gave him complete assurance he was forgiven.*) Why do you think Peter felt sad that Jesus had asked him this question three times? (*Maybe it reminded him of the three times he denied Jesus. Maybe he wondered if Jesus really trusted him now.*)

What did Jesus do and say that let Peter know Jesus still wanted Peter to be a fisher of men? (*Jesus did the same miracle of filling the net with fish the first time he called Peter to be a disciple. Jesus asked Peter three times to feed his lambs and take care of his sheep, Jesus' followers. Jesus told Peter again in John 21:22, "...Follow me!"*)

PRAYER POWER: Encourage family members to pray for any failures or burdens and give them to God. Thank God for the power that raised Jesus from the dead to claim victory in these areas.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

FAMILY TIME OPTIONS: Think of how your family this week can do one thing that would help "feed Jesus' lambs." In other words, how can you share God's word with others in your home, neighborhood, workplace, school or church?

"Signs on Believers' Hwy" Series - Lesson 50