



Walk As Jesus Did

A study for children on the life of Jesus

Family Devotional (4/12/20- EASTER)

Key Point: Jesus is stronger than death.

Today we want our kids to learn about Jesus' resurrection. Jesus was raised to life, never to die again. Jesus showed his power and authority as a victorious lion, defeating both sin and death forever. God's children believe that Jesus rose from the dead and is alive today.

What we want the kids to know:

- Jesus died in the place of sinners and was raised to life three days later.
- Jesus was not resuscitated – brought back to life only to die again. He was resurrected – raised to life, never to die again.
- Jesus is alive today, seated at the right hand of the Father.
- Jesus is the victorious lion! He defeated sin on the cross and death in His resurrection.
- The resurrection demonstrates God's power over death.
- Belief in Jesus gives God's children victory over sin and death.

What we want the kids to do:

- Rightly respond to Jesus' authority:
 - Believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior.
 - Rejoice because Jesus is alive and because both sin and death have been defeated for those who would love and trust Him.

Text for Study: **Matthew 28:1-10.** Then read **1 Corinthians 15:17-19** (Read it together)

Consider having your child/family draw the events that took place as you read the Matt. passage.

Create discipleship time: As a family, spend time reading and talking about God's word.

1. What are we celebrating on Easter?
Jesus is stronger than death; He rose from the dead and is alive today.
2. Last week we talked about Jesus being stronger than sin. How did He show that?
He died in the place of God's children and took the guilt for their sin.
3. Why did Jesus die on the cross?
To rescue God's children from sin and bring them to God by taking the punishment for sin they deserve(d).
4. Where was Jesus' body laid after He died?
In a tomb – a grave that was carved out of the side of a hill.
5. Who went to visit Jesus' tomb? Why did they do that?
Several women who had followed Jesus. They went there because they were sad.
6. What happened to the tomb after the earthquake and angel came?
The stone in front of the tomb had rolled away and it was open.
7. When they looked inside, was Jesus' body in the tomb? Why?
No! Jesus had risen from the dead. He was alive and his body was no longer lying in the tomb.



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8. Who did the women run into when they went to tell the disciples that Jesus had risen from the dead?
They ran into Jesus.

Show me with your face how the women responded when they saw Jesus alive.

9. Did Jesus stay dead?
No! Jesus rose from the dead.
10. Is Jesus still alive today?
Yes. Jesus rose from the dead and is alive today!
11. Who is stronger: Jesus or death?
Jesus.

Then, tell the kids that we are all born with hearts sick with sin and because of that we deserve death. Explain that sin is more than just the bad things we think, feel, do and say - it's why we do them. Sin starts in our heart and comes out in our attitudes and actions.

1. Are we stronger than sin and death?
No. We cannot beat sin and death on our own.
2. How did Jesus beat sin and death?
By living a perfect life, dying on the cross, and then being raised from the dead.
3. Is it good news that Jesus beat sin and death?
Yes!

Open to and read **Romans 10:9**.

4. Point to your mouth. What must we do with our mouth to be saved?
Confess (or say with confidence from the heart) that Jesus is Lord.
5. Point to your heart. This verse is not talking about the heart that beats in our chest but the heart that feels things like love and sadness. What must we believe in our hearts in order to be saved?
God raised Jesus from the dead, defeating sin and death forever for all who would believe in Him.
6. Are there people who still have not confessed with their mouth that Jesus is Lord and do not believe in their hearts that God raised Jesus from the dead?
Yes. There are still people who do not believe in Jesus and what He has done.
7. Are they rescued from sin and death?
No. They are still in their sin and will be punished with the death they deserve.
8. Who is able to be saved from sin and death?
God's children—those who love and trust in Jesus. Those who believe who Jesus is and what He has done.



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9. What questions do you have about Jesus' being raised from the dead?
10. What questions do you have about needing to be saved from sin?
11. What questions do you have about becoming a child of God?

Additional Scriptures for study: Isaiah 53:5; 1 Peter 3:18.

Capture discipleship moments: Recap by asking your kids what they learned.

1. What did we learn about Jesus today?
Jesus is stronger than death.
2. What did we learn about ourselves today?
We can be saved from sin by trusting in Jesus.

Pray together as a family. Ask each member of your family – parents included – to share one thing they would like prayer over. Assign someone to pray for that person's request. Challenge them to pray for that person all week long. Parents, pray a blessing over your children as you close.

This Month's Memory Verse

*but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. **John 20:31***