



Walk As Jesus Did

A study for children on the life of Jesus

Family Devotional for Holy Week (4/5/20-4/12/20)

Key Point: Jesus died to bring sinners to God.

This week is Holy Week! It is the week leading up to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We encourage you to work through the passages provided as a family during this week, THEN do this devotional together on Good Friday, 4/10/20.

Capture discipleship moments: In preparation for Easter, set aside time each day this week to read God's Word together and discuss.

Sunday: John 1:1-14

Monday: Psalm 51

Tuesday: Isaiah 53

Wednesday: Romans 5:6-8

Thursday: Mark 14:26-72

Friday: Mark 14:42-15:46 (Do the devotional below!)

Saturday: Psalm 30; Psalm 130

Sunday: Mark 16:1-8

GOOD FRIDAY FAMILY LESSON:

What we want the kids to know:

- The narrative of the death of Jesus, using Mark 14 and 15 as a guide.
- Jesus had no sin and did not deserve to die.
- Jesus died to take the punishment for sin that was/is deserved by sinners.
- The cross demonstrates God's great love, justice and power over sin.

What we want the kids to do:

- Remembering what Jesus' death accomplished will set them free to:
 - Worship with thanksgiving
 - Trust God's steadfast, unfailing love
 - Stop fearing that God is mad at them
 - Stop trying to be good enough to please God
 - Obey with and for their joy

Text for Study on Good Friday: Mark 14:42-15:46 (Read it together in ESV);

Other Crucifixion Accounts: Matthew 26 – 27, Luke 22 – 23, John 17-19



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

1. What do you know about Jesus?
He is God. He healed people, loved the poor, taught us about God, and came to save sinners.
2. What happened to Jesus while He was praying in the garden?
He was arrested.
3. Did Jesus deserve to be arrested? What crime had He committed?
No, He did not deserve to be arrested. He had done nothing wrong.
4. How did the Jewish leaders and Roman soldiers treat Jesus?
They beat Him, spit on Him, put a crown of thorns on His head, they made fun of Him, etc.
5. How did they punish Jesus?
They nailed Him to the cross to die.
6. Did Jesus deserve that punishment? Did He deserve to die?
No. Jesus had no sin. He never thought, felt, said or did anything sinful. He didn't deserve to die.
7. Who deserves the punishment for sin? Why?
Sinners, like us. We deserve punishment because we are guilty of sin.
8. Who are sinners? What is sin?
All of us because we were born with hearts sick with sin. Sin is when we do, think, feel or say something that is different from what God wants; when we show, honor and enjoy anything more than God.
9. Was Jesus a sinner?
No. Jesus was not and is not a sinner. He does not have sin in His heart. He is holy (completely perfect and separate from sin).
10. What is the punishment we deserve because of the sin in our hearts?
We deserve death and to be separated from God forever.
11. Is it a good thing to be separate from God?
No!

Together, read **1 Peter 3:18**. (Consider writing it on a piece of paper.)

1. Who is "Christ?"
Jesus (Above "Christ" write "Jesus.")
2. What did Jesus do?
He suffered and died.
3. Who did He die for?
Sinners.
4. How many times did Jesus have to die for sinners?
Once.



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5. Why did He die for sinners?
To bring God's children to God.
6. What does it mean to be righteous?
You are right and good in God's eyes.
7. Who is the only One who is truly righteous?
Jesus (Above "righteous" write "Jesus.")
8. If being righteous means you are not guilty in God's eyes, what does it mean to be unrighteous?
It means someone is wicked or bad in God's eyes.
9. Who are the unrighteous?
Sinners, all of us. (Above "unrighteous" write "sinners." And then above "sinners" write "us.")
10. Who did Jesus bring near to God?
Because Jesus died, God's children could be brought near to God.
11. Who are God's children?
Those who love and trust Jesus – they trust that Jesus lived the perfect life that they can not, and died the death they deserved so that they could be in relationship with God.
12. When someone loves and trusts Jesus, are they near to God or separated from Him?
They are near to God because by loving and trusting Jesus, they are forgiven of their sin.
13. What did Jesus do so that sinners could be brought near to God?
Jesus died to take the punishment God's children deserve. When Jesus died He brought sinners who trust and love Him near to God.

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***