Family Discipleship Resource

Key Point: God is deliverer. He rescues His children.

This fall in Northway Kids we are learning about the attributes of God. This week we saw that God heard the cry of the Israelites and in response sent Moses to deliver them from the Egyptians and fulfill His promise.

Capture discipleship moments: After dinner one evening, talk through the questions below. Anytime we open the Bible and talk about God, we need to pray and ask Him to help us because only God can teach our hearts. Pray with your family for God to give understanding and belief.

- 1. What word did you learn about that describes God? Deliverer: God rescues His children.
- 2. What do you think of when you hear the word rescue? What are some situations in which a person needs to be rescued? What kind of person rescues someone else?
- 3. What did God's children need to be rescued from in our Bible story today?

 They needed to be rescued from slavery in Egypt. They were not free and were being treated very harshly by their masters.
- 4. Who did God send to rescue His children from slavery in Egypt? Moses
- 5. What happened when Moses went to Pharaoh and demanded that he let God's people go? Pharaoh refused.
- 6. What did God send to show His power and authority?

 Ten plagues that caused great difficulty for the people of Egypt and for Pharaoh.
- 7. What was the last plague? How did Pharaoh respond to it?
 The death of every first born Egyptian son. After Pharaoh's son died, he let the Israelites go.
- 8. As the Israelites started to leave, what did Pharaoh do?

 Changed his mind and sent his army after them to keep them from leaving.
- 9. When the Israelites were trapped between the Egyptian army chasing them and the Red sea, was there any way for the Israelites to save themselves? No.
- 10. What did God do to rescue His children? He parted the waters. He sent a wind from the East and made a way for the Israelites to cross it on dry ground.
- 11. How would you have felt if you were an Israelite crossing a giant body of water by walking through it on dry ground? What would you think/feel about God in that moment?
- 12. What happened to the Egyptian army when they tried to cross the Red Sea after them? The waters collapsed on them and they were drowned.
- 13. Was there any way that the Israelites could have saved themselves from being slaves in Egypt?
 - No. They needed someone to rescue them.
- 14. Have you ever been a slave like the Israelites were in Egypt?
- 15. There is a kind of slavery that is even worse than what the Israelites experienced. Do you know what it is? Slavery to sin.
- 16. How does someone become a slave of sin? We are all born as slaves to sin.

- 17. What does it mean to be a slave to sin?

 It means that you are owned by sin; you obey it you do what it says; you are loyal to it.
- 18. Is sin a good master or a bad master? Does it lead you to God or away from God? Sin is a bad master; it leads you away from God and keeps you separated from Him.
- 19. What is the punishment deserved for sin? Death.
- 20. Is there any way for a person to save themselves from sin? Is there any way for a person to rescue themselves? Can you save or rescue yourself?No. We all need to be rescued by someone stronger than sin.
- 21. Who did God send to deliver or rescue the Israelites from slavery in Egypt? Moses.
- 22. In the same way, God has sent someone to rescue His children from their slavery to sin. Who is that? Jesus.

Open to and read Matthew 1:21.

She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.

- 23. This verse is a part of a conversation that took place before Jesus was born. What was Jesus born to do? Save His people from their sins.
- 24. Was there any way for His people, for God's children, to be saved from their sins apart from Jesus? No.
- 25. How did Jesus save God's children from their sins? He lived a perfect, sinless life and was then killed by being hung on a cross. In His death, He took the punishment deserved by God's children for their sin. He suffered for them. Then three days later He defeated death by rising again. He is alive today at the right hand of the Father and is coming again.
- 26. Who does Jesus save from their sins?

 All those who love and trust Him; all who believe that they need to be saved and that Jesus died in their place to rescue them from their sin and the punishment they deserve.
- 27. Are those who do not love and trust Jesus rescued from their sin?

 No. They are still slaves of sin.
- 28. How does it make you feel to think about Jesus as a rescuer?

Create discipleship time: Recap by asking your kids what they learned, as they **color their Deliverer Attribute Sign** for your Attribute Wall at home.

- 1. What is one thing you learned about God today? God rescues His children from sin and death.
- 2. What is one thing you learned about yourself today?

 I can become one of God's children by loving and trusting in Jesus.

Pray together as a family. Praise God because He is the deliverer. He is mighty and loving. Thank God that He sent Jesus to deliver His children from slavery to sin. Confess to God when you do not see your need for a savior. Confess to Him when you look to other people and things to deliver you from your sin. Ask God to show you your sin and need for a deliverer. Ask God to cause you to "accept the trustworthy saying" that "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners," (1Tim 1:15a) and to look to Jesus as your Savior.

MVOTM. When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. Psalm 34:17-18