

WEEK 4

SPECIAL WORDS

JOHN 19-20 Crucifixion & Resurrection JESUS (POINT UP)
IS ALIVE (BIG ARMS OUT)

READ THIS

We know that Jesus died on the cross so that He could take the punishment for the bad things that we do. Did you know that Jesus did not stay dead though? Jesus is God! He is the creator of all life and He is all powerful! He showed us His power when after three days, He came back to life! This week, let's "Go Deeper" and learn about how Jesus is Alive!

EMORIZE THIS

"May the God of hope (point up) fill you with all joy (give a big smile) and peace (hug yourself) in believing, (point to your mind) so that by the power of the Holy Spirit (make strong arms) you may abound in hope." (thumbs up)

Romans 15:13 (ESV)

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Share the love! This week, try your best to show kindness and love, whether through a smile, a drawing, by sharing, or by helping out. Listen to people and look in their eyes. How will you show God's love this week?

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DAY 1

EARLYCHILDHOOD

Materials Needed:Bible or Bible App, Sheet,
Pillow

GO DEEPER



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: 1 Corinthians 15: 3-4 (NLT)

Do you wish you could have a superpower, like flying or reading minds? That would be really cool, right? Well, we may not have superpowers, but we do know somebody who is all-powerful: Jesus! Jesus has more power than any person in the whole world because He is God! He came back to life after He died on the cross! Let's celebrate Jesus coming back to life by having a Praise Dance Party together! https://tinyurl.com/yancypraise



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Create a "tomb" by placing a sheet over a table in your home. Use a pillow to represent the stone in front of the tomb. Have your child move the "stone" away, and when they see no one in there, have them shout, "Hooray! Jesus is alive!" Repeat the activity as many times as your child would like.



TABLE TIDBITS

Talk about it:

- What things can you think of that are alive?
- How did Jesus show He is God?



CUDDLE CLOSE

Pull your child close beside you and say, "Always remember, Jesus is Alive!" As you tuck them into bed, sing "My God Is So Big" (https://tinyurl.com/mygodsobig). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase, to let your child repeat after you:

Dear God, Thank you that Jesus is alive! Help me always remember what lesus did for me. In lesus' name. Amen.



DAY 2

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Materials Needed: Bible or Bible App, Easter Eggs, Candy, Paper Strips

GO DEEPER



DAY 3

EARLYCHILDHOOD

Materials Needed:Bible or Bible App, Phone Printable, Scissors, Crayons

GO DEEPER



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: John 20: 11-18

Why do you think Mary was crying? Yes! She missed her friend Jesus and she thought someone had taken His body away. But what good news did she find while at the tomb? She found out that Jesus is alive! She was so excited that she ran to tell her friends! We can be excited that Jesus is alive and tell others about Him just like Mary. Let's practice right now by running around our house shouting "Jesus is Alive!"



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Make celebration eggs to spread the news of Jesus' resurrection to a few people in your neighborhood. Help your child draw a cross on one side of the paper. Parents you can write, "Jesus is Alive!" on the other side of the paper. Then take the eggs and fill them with the candy and a paper strip. When the eggs have been filled, go on a walk through your neighborhood and leave an egg on the porch for your neighbors to find. As you leave the egg, pray that God uses your message to share that Jesus is alive and to encourage your neighbor.



TABLE TIDBITS

The angel that rolled the stone away from Jesus' tomb told the women that Jesus came back to life, and to go tell Jesus' friends, the disciples, that He is alive! We can share the good news that Jesus is alive, too! Have your child name some people that he or she can tell "Jesus is Alive!"



CUDDLE CLOSE

Pull your child close beside you and say, "Always remember, Jesus is Alive!" As you tuck them into bed, sing "My God Is So Big" (https://tinyurl.com/mygodsobig). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase, to let your child repeat after you:

Dear God, Thank you that Jesus is alive! Help me to share with everybody that Jesus is Alive!, Thank you for loving me. In Jesus' name, Amen.



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: Luke 24: 13-15; 28-31

One day two of Jesus' friends were walking to a village and they were talking about how they were sad that Jesus had died on the cross. They did not believe that He would come back to life! While they were walking, Jesus joined these friends. His friends were so excited once they realized it was Jesus they were talking to! That day they believed that Jesus is alive! If you believe that Jesus came back to life, then shout, "Jesus is Alive!"



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Jesus is alive! This means we can talk to Him any time. Jesus loves to hear us. He wants us to tell Him when we are happy or scared. He wants us to tell Him when we are sad or mad. He wants us to tell Him about things we love and things we need. Today, let's print, cut out, and color your own telephone. Use it to play pretend and call Jesus! But remember, we don't need a phone to talk to Jesus! He can hear us no matter where we are! https://tinyurl.com/callingjesus



TABLE TIDBITS

Talk about it:

- lesus walked and talked with His friends!
- Can we talk with Jesus too?
- When we pray, we are talking to Jesus!



CUDDLE CLOSE

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Dear God, Thank you for loving me, Help me to remember I can always talk to you. In Jesus' name, Amen.



DAY 4

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Materials Needed:Bible or Bible App, Chairs



DAY 5

EARLYCHILDHOOD

Materials Needed: Bible or Bible App, Paper, Household Objects

GO DEEPER

GO DEEPER



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: Luke 24: 36-40, 52-53

How would you feel if you could see Jesus standing next to you right now, just like you see your family? When Jesus came to His friends, they could not believe it was Him at first! They thought it was a ghost! Jesus showed His friends His hands and His feet, and let His friends touch them to help them believe that it really was Him. Jesus' friends were probably so thankful He is alive! They left praising Him because lesus is alive!



CREATIVE CONNECTION

I am thankful to Jesus for ___? Arrange chairs into a circle, with each chair facing outward. Provide one less chair than there are people. Have one person begin by saying, "I am thankful to Jesus for ___." When the person finishes saying what he or she is thankful for, everyone should jump up and find a different chair. They cannot pick the chair right next to their own. Once everyone has found a new seat, the person who is left standing gets to express thankfulness for something, and play continues.



TABLE TIDBITS

Talk about it:

- How did Jesus' friends, the disciples, feel when they saw Jesus is alive?
- What are different ways we can show Jesus we are thankful for Him?



CUDDLE CLOSE

Pull your child close beside you and say, "Always remember, Jesus is Alive!" As you tuck them into bed, sing "My God is So Big" (https://tinyurl.com/mygodsobig). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase, to let your child repeat after you:

Dear God, I am so glad Jesus is alive. Help me to know you are always with me. I love you, In Jesus' name, Amen.



MORNING MOMENTS

Read: John 20: 24-29

One of Jesus' friends, Thomas, did not believe the report that Jesus had come back to life. He said that he needed to see Jesus' for himself and touch Jesus' hands and feet. Thomas needed to see and touch Jesus for himself before he could believe Jesus was alive. Jesus says it is even better when we can believe what He says without seeing Him! We can believe Jesus is alive because the Bible tells us so, even though we can't see Him with our own eyes!



CREATIVE CONNECTION

Play a simple guessing game with your child. Gather a few items from around the house. Hide one item behind your back. Give your child some hints and then have your child guess what object you hid behind your back. After a few tries, take the item out from behind your back. Ask, "Can you tell what it is now? How do you know?" Explain that your child knows what was behind your back because he/she can see it! In the true story we read, Thomas did not believe Jesus was alive until He saw Jesus and touched His hands and feet for himself.



TABLE TIDBITS

Talk about it:

- Can we see Jesus with our eyes right now? Talk about how sometimes we have to believe things are true without seeing them with our eyes.
- What are other things we know are real that we cannot see? (wind, air, germs, etc)



CUDDLE CLOSE

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Dear God, Thank you for the Bible, Help me to believe what you say in in it. I love you. In Jesus' name, Amen.