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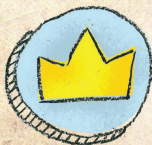
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THE GOSPEL

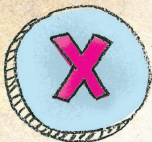
GOD'S PLAN for US

The gospel is the good news, the message about Christ, the kingdom of God, and salvation. Use these prompts to share the gospel with your kids.



GOD RULES.

Ask: "Who is in charge at home?" Explain that because God created everything, He is in charge of everything.
Read Revelation 4:11.



WE SINNED.

Ask: "Have you ever done something wrong?" Tell kids that everyone sins, or disobeys God. Our sin separates us from God.
Read Romans 3:23.



GOD PROVIDED.

Explain that God is holy and must punish sin. God sent His Son, Jesus, to take the punishment we deserve.
Read John 3:16.



JESUS GIVES.

Ask: "What is the best gift you've ever received?" Say that Jesus took our punishment for sin by giving His life, and He gives us His righteousness. God sees us as if we lived the perfect life Jesus lived. This is the best gift ever! Read 2 Corinthians 5:21.



WE RESPOND.

Explain that everyone has a choice to make. Ask: "Will you trust Jesus as your Savior and Lord? You can turn from self and sin and turn to Jesus." Read Romans 10:9-10.

UNIT 25:

JESUS BRINGS TRUTH

Jesus taught God's truth through His words, miracles, and actions. Jesus preached to many people so they could learn about God. He told parables about the kingdom of God. He showed that God wants His people to be saved from their sin and experience life with Him forever.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION

Is the Bible true?

Yes, the Bible is true and has no error.

KEY PASSAGE:

Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the word of our God will stand forever.



AT HOME RESOURCES

September 6 | Session 1

JESUS TAUGHT IN PARABLES | MATTHEW 13; MARK 4; LUKE 8



STORY POINT:
People will have different responses to God's kingdom.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Not everyone who hears about Jesus believes in Him. Some people don't understand the gospel, and some people care more about the things of this world than they do God's kingdom. But people who believe in Jesus and follow Him will grow to be like Him and will share His good news so others can believe, too.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

What happened to the seeds that fell on each soil?

How do we cultivate "good soil" in our lives?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Gather your family members together to plant a seed in a small pot of soil or to re-pot a small plant. Talk about Jesus's parable of the soils and the different ways our hearts can respond to God's Word. Just as the seed needs to be watered and tended to every day, our hearts need to be nurtured by talking to God in prayer, spending time in His Word, and taking time to worship God for who He is. As your family cares for the new plant, encourage each family member to also grow in their faith through spiritual disciplines such as Bible study, prayer, and worship.

TO SERVE :

Make simple cards with the words of John 3:16 written on them and decorate them if you like. As a family, choose a specific place to deliver the cards—like a local park, a nursing home, or a community center. Talk together about how the seed of God's Word can grow in other people's hearts like it grows in ours. Pray for each person who receives a card, asking God to help their hearts be "good soil" that listens, learns, and grows in faith.

September 13 | Session 2

JESUS TAUGHT ABOUT THE KINGDOM | MATTHEW 13; MARK 4



STORY POINT:

Jesus taught what God's kingdom is like using parables.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus is the King who came to bring God's kingdom to earth. Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, He made the way for people to be part of God's kingdom. When we trust in Jesus, we are like the good seed in His field – we belong to Him, we grow in Him, and we will be with Him forever.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

What do the stories of the mustard seed and the yeast show us about faith?

How did Jesus make a way for people to be part of God's kingdom?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Draw names to choose a "King/Queen for the Day." The selected family member will get to choose the foods you eat, activities for the day, and maybe even a TV show you watch. Draw a new name each day until everyone has a turn. At the end of each day, spend time talking about how our "kingdoms" differ from the kingdom of God. Remind kids that His kingdom is far greater than anything we could imagine!

TO SERVE :

As a family, research and practice saying "Jesus saves" in some languages other than your own. Also consider researching and sampling online how Christians from other cultures worship God in their local churches. Talk about how this experience is a reminder that the kingdom of God is growing and spreading throughout the world.

September 20 | Session 3

JESUS CALMED A STORM | MATTHEW 8; MARK 4; LUKE 8



STORY POINT:

Jesus calmed a storm to show the disciples He is God.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

The disciples saw that Jesus has power over nature. He is the Son of God, the promised Savior. One day, Jesus would show His greatest power – not by calming a storm, but by dying on the cross and rising from the dead to save people from sin. Jesus saves everyone who trusts in Him.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did Jesus show His authority over creation?

What does this story teach us about placing our trust in Jesus, even when things feel scary?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Use an empty 2-liter bottle and funnel to create a rain gauge. Attach a funnel roughly the size of the width of the bottle to the top of the bottle with duct tape. Invite your kids to decorate the bottle and create evenly spaced marks on the side of the bottle to measure rainfall. As you work on the rain gauge, discuss the miracle Jesus performed of calming the storm and how it displays His power over all of creation. Jesus is the Son of God!

TO SERVE :

Each day, text a friend or family member and ask how your family can pray for them. Choose a different person each day this week. Explain the story your kids learned this week and how it shows Jesus' faithfulness to help us in our need. Take time to pray for each person as your family shares a meal or rides in the car together.

September 27 | Session 4

JESUS GAVE LIFE AND HEALING | MATTHEW 9; MARK 5; LUKE 8



STORY POINT:
Jesus healed people and raised the dead to life.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus healed people and raised the dead to life. By doing this, He showed that He is the Messiah, the Son of God. When Jesus died on the cross and rose again, He made the way for people to be healed from something even greater than disease or death. He made the way for us to be forgiven of our sin and have eternal life.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did Jairus and the sick woman both show faith?

How can God use difficult situations to grow out faith?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Clear the kitchen counter or table of all items. Have each family member attempt to roll a tennis ball from one end of the table as far across the table as possible without the ball falling over the edge. The key to the game is to roll the ball gently enough that it travels slowly and stops before reaching the edge. Give a prize to the family member who comes closest to the edge without going over. Remind kids that Jesus was always willing to slow down to take care of people's needs. Talk about ways your family can slow down and look out for the needs of others.

TO SERVE :

Ask each family member to choose their favorite Scripture verse and create a piece of art using the words and phrases of the verse. Display the artwork in a car window for others to see as you drive around town or get stuck in traffic. Remind kids that Jesus met people where they were and took time to meet their needs. These window decals can be a way of reminding us, and others, to recognize Jesus' love and His power to heal.

UNIT 26:

JESUS BRINGS LIFE

Jesus performed miracles that proved He is the Son of God. These miracles strengthened people's faith, met their needs, and displayed His power over death. Through Jesus, God did what is impossible for us to do on our own; He provided forgiveness, salvation, and eternal life.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION

Why do we need to be born again?

Because of sin we are spiritually dead, but Jesus came to give us new life.

KEY PASSAGE:

John 11:25

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live...



AT HOME RESOURCES

October 4 | Session 1

JESUS FED A CROWD | MATTHEW 14; MARK 6; LUKE 9; JOHN 6



STORY POINT:
Jesus miraculously fed thousands of people with five loaves and two fish.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus miraculously fed thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. This miracle showed that He is God's Son. Jesus is the Bread of Life. He meets our greatest need – not just for food, but for forgiveness and eternal life with God.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did Jesus show compassion to the crowd?

What did Jesus mean by calling Himself the Bread of Life?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Pick a night this week to let your kids make the family dinner. Allow them to choose the menu, shop for groceries, and prepare the meal (with appropriate adult supervision). While enjoying the meal, talk about the work that went into preparing the meal and how it was a sign of love for their family. Remind kids that Jesus' miracles are not only a display of His power, but also a display of His love. He performed those miracles because He loved the people who needed them!

TO SERVE :

Plan a cookout, picnic, or indoor meal to share with your neighbors. Invite them to come and share a meal with your family as a way of showing them love and hospitality. Remind your family what Jesus said about the world knowing His disciples by the way they love one another (John 13:35). We can show love to others because Jesus first loved us!

October 11 | Session 2

JESUS WALKED ON WATER | MATTHEW 14; MARK 6; JOHN 6



STORY POINT:
Jesus showed He is God by walking on water.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus showed He is God by walking on water. He has power over everything – wind, waves, and even fear. Jesus is the Son of God who cares for us and is always with us. When we trust Jesus, we don't need to be afraid.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

Why did Peter begin sinking as he walked on water?

Why is it important to recognize that Jesus is the Son of God?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Write down different fears on slips of paper—being in the dark, speaking in front of your class, or a big storm—and put them in a bowl. Take turns picking a slip and acting out the fear without speaking while the rest of the family guesses. After each round, talk about how the disciples felt scared in the storm and how Jesus showed His power over the waves. Finish by sharing ways you can “keep your eyes on Jesus” when you face your own fears and thanking Him for His strength and presence in scary moments.

TO SERVE :

Volunteer for a day at a local children's hospital or cancer center. Bring small gifts like colorful socks, puzzle books, or snacks to encourage the patients and brighten their day. If given the opportunity, pray for patients and their families. Ask God to be near them and to help them trust His power over all things.

October 18 | Session 3

JESUS HEALED A CHILD AND A MAN

MATTHEW 15; MARK 7



STORY POINT:
People were amazed at Jesus' miracles and praised God.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus has power over sickness and healed many people to show He is God's Son. Jesus also has power over sin and came to bring forgiveness, life, and hope to everyone who believes in Him.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did the woman display her great faith?

What do these miracles teach us about God and His character?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Make a list of Jesus' miracles found in the Bible. On index cards, write the need of the person/people and the way Jesus helped them. Make sure each miracle has two index cards. One for the need, and one for the miracle. Spread all the cards face down and take turns flipping one card from each pile to see if the need matches the miracle. If it matches, you keep the pair; if not, flip them back and try again. After the game, talk about how Jesus' miracles lead us to praise Him for His power and trust Him in our need.

TO SERVE :

Visit a neighbor or church member who has been sick or is homebound. You could bring small gifts, a homemade treat, or even a cheerful card with a Bible verse. Spend time keeping them company by talking, playing a game, or praying with them. Share what your family is learning about Jesus and the ways He cared for others. Remind the neighbor that Jesus cares for her.

October 25 | Session 4

JESUS RAISED LAZARUS | JOHN 11



STORY POINT:

By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus showed He is the Messiah who gives eternal life.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus showed He is the Messiah, the Son of God, who gives eternal life. Jesus died and rose again to take away our sins. When we trust in Him, we receive life and will live with God forever.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

Why did the sisters seek Jesus when Lazarus was sick?

How did Jesus show love to His friends?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Take turns wrapping family members in toilet tissue to resemble Lazarus in the tomb. Use a stopwatch to see how quickly each person can unravel the “grave clothes” from their body. Talk about this miracle and the ways it shows us Jesus’ power over sin and death.

TO SERVE :

Visit a cemetery to place flowers or help clean the grounds. While you work, discuss how death is a consequence of sin, but those who trust in Jesus do not have to fear death because Jesus has power over it!

UNIT 27:

JESUS IS THE WAY

Jesus came to open the eyes of the blind and lead people to repentance and restoration. Jesus was welcomed by many with shouts of joy, but He knew His time on earth was coming to an end. Jesus reminded His disciples that His blood must be poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION

What is justification?

Justification is when God declares that we are forgiven of sin and are made righteous.

KEY PASSAGE:

2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.



AT HOME RESOURCES

November 1 | Session 1

JESUS HEALED A BLIND MAN | JOHN 9



STORY POINT:
Jesus healed a blind man to glorify God.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus came to bring light into the darkness. He healed the blind man to show God's power and to point to a greater truth: Jesus came to give spiritual sight. When we trust in Him, He forgives our sin and helps us see and know God.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did the man who was healed respond to Jesus?

How does Jesus heal spiritual blindness?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Set up a small obstacle course in the living room with pillows, chairs, or toys. One blindfolded family member must navigate the course while another family member gives only verbal instructions. The goal is to reach the end of the course without touching any obstacles. Take turns so everyone gets a chance to be blindfolded and to guide. After the game, talk about how the blindfolded person is like someone in spiritual darkness—unable to see what is right or good on their own. The guide is like Jesus, who brings light into our hearts and helps us see God's truth clearly.

TO SERVE :

Host a glow party for your neighbors in your yard, driveway, or at a local park. Buy glow sticks, glow bracelets, and LED lights. Set up fun games like relay races, a ring toss, or a scavenger hunt—all using the glowing items. While kids are enjoying the glow activities, take a few minutes to share with them that Jesus is the Light of the world. Like He gave sight to the blind man in John 9, Jesus wants to bring light and hope into their hearts too.

November 8 | Session 2

JESUS AND ZACCHAEUS | LUKE 19



STORY POINT:

Jesus invited Zacchaeus to follow Him and be saved.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

We are all sinners, but Jesus came to seek and save us, too. He died on the cross and rose again so we can be forgiven and have eternal life when we turn from our sin and trust in Him.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did Zacchaeus show he wanted to follow Jesus?

Why did people object to Jesus visiting Zacchaeus?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Play a game of “Hide and Seek” as a family. Choose one person to be “It,” and have the rest of the family hide around the house or outside in the yard. “It” will count for 20 or 30 seconds and then try to find everyone. After playing a few rounds, read Luke 19:10. Talk about Jesus’ mission to seek and save the lost. Remind kids that Jesus came to save all who believe in Him.

TO SERVE :

Choose an individual or family from your church to encourage this week. Think of someone who might be overlooked or under appreciated for their service. Write a card to let them know you see the ways they serve Jesus and thank them for everything they do. Talk as a family about how meeting Jesus led Zacchaeus to want to obey and serve God.

November 15 | Session 3

JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY | MATTHEW 21; MARK 11; LUKE 19; JOHN 12



STORY POINT:
People joyfully
praised Jesus as
their King.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus is the Messiah God promised. Days after Jesus entered Jerusalem, He died on the cross and rose again to rescue people from sin. One day, Jesus will come back as King over everything, and everyone who trusts in Him will be with Him forever.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How was Jesus a better king than people expected?

How can Christians honor Jesus as Savior and King?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Gather some rocks from around your home or a local park. Use acrylic paints to decorate the rocks with words of praise or the word Hosanna. Place these rocks outside your home or around your neighborhood or community. Remind your kids that Jesus told the chief priests and the scribes that if the people did not praise Him then the rocks would cry out and praise Him. Talk as a family about how these rocks can remind us to worship Jesus as King.

TO SERVE :

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem, some of the people threw pieces of their clothing on the ground in front of Him, which was a way to worship Him as King. Donate unused coats or clothes to individuals or organizations who have need. Consider starting a collection with others in your church to provide winter coats for those in need. This can also be a way to worship Jesus as King!

November 22 | Session 4

JESUS TAUGHT ABOUT THE END OF THE AGE

MATTHEW 24; MARK 13; LUKE 21



STORY POINT:

Jesus taught that His followers will live with Him forever.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Because of sin, the world is broken and full of trouble. But Jesus died and rose again to save us from sin and give us hope. When we trust Jesus, He promises to be with us always and to one day bring us into God's perfect kingdom.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

What did Jesus want His followers to do instead of being afraid?

How does trusting Jesus calm our fears?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Promise your kids that the family is going to get a special treat like ice cream or snow cones, but don't tell them exactly when it will happen. Let them know it might be soon, or it might be later. Then, sometime during the week, surprise them with a trip to get the special treat. While you enjoy the treat, discuss what Jesus said about watching and waiting for His return. Remind kids that we don't know when Jesus will return, but we trust that He will come again to make all things right.

TO SERVE :

Gather canned food or non-perishable items to donate to a local food pantry. While collecting and preparing your donations, remind kids that Jesus talked about hard times like famines and troubles in the world. Discuss how even these dark times can be an opportunity for believers to share Jesus and His love with others by serving them and helping meet their needs.

November 29 | Session 5

JESUS' LAST SUPPER | MATTHEW 26; MARK 14; LUKE 22; JOHN 13



STORY POINT:

Jesus commanded His disciples to remember His sacrifice.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus shared the Last Supper to help His followers remember that He was going to die for their sins and rise again to give them new life. Jesus took the punishment we deserve so we can be forgiven and live forever with God. When we trust Jesus, we can remember His great love every time we celebrate the Lord's Supper.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

How did Jesus show love to His friends at Passover?

What is one important thing that you want to remember about Jesus today?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

FOR FUN :

Create a poster to celebrate and remember Jesus as the sacrificial lamb that provides for our salvation. Write John 1:29 on the poster and hang it inside your front door. As you pass through the door each day, pause to remember Jesus' sacrifice.

TO SERVE :

Send a financial gift to a missionary who is actively serving in another country. Pray for the missionary, the people they are sharing the gospel with, and remember the sacrifice they are making to serve God in a place away from their home. Ask God to use this missionary and your family to share the message of Jesus to those who need to hear it.





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