WEEK 3 - APRIL 19, 2020

Hello Second and Third Grade Parents!

I hope and pray you and your loved ones are well. Please don't hesitate to reach out if your family needs anything. The Body of Christ is alive, well, and willing to help!

I was so happy to see the kids participate in the Easter Egg Activity. Congrats to the winners!

Be on the lookout for another challenge coming in May!

Here are some At Home Activity *suggestions* for you to do with your child(ren). Everyone is different, so feel free to pick any or all of these ideas to fit the needs and desires of your family. If you are unable to print these pages, just use the substitute non-print ideas. ie: draw a picture instead of color the one provided. You can also find a simplified version of the lesson on the website called "K-3 Parent Guide"

Praying you all are well and safe during our time apart! Lisa Osborne

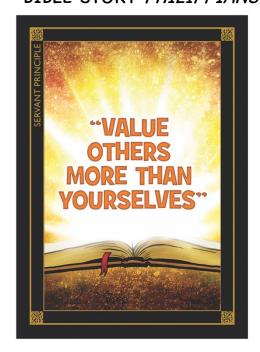
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BIBLE STORY PHILIPPIANS 2:3-8



BOTTOM LINE



YOUR CHILD WILL EARN 1 POINT

TO SPEND AT THE STORE

FOR EACH COMPLETED ACTIVITY

AND 5 POINTS FOR A COMPLETED "GOD TIME"

PLEASE EMAIL ME POINTS EARNED EACH WEEK"

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SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES:

- 1. WATCH VIDEOS (link is on the church website)
- 2. COLOR BIBLE STORY PICTURE and/or DRAW A PICTURE OF THE STORY
- 3. MEMORY VERSE: PUZZLE PRINT AND CUT OUT
- 4. JOURNAL ENTRY
- 5. PRAY TOGETHER/SALVATION FOR KIDS PAGE
- 6. LIFE APPLICATION EXPERIMENT

Upside-Down Water Experiment

Made to Explore: an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery

- One small glass jar or drinking glass (make sure the rim is smooth and free of any chips or rough edges)
- Pitcher of water
- Plastic tub or basin
- Towel
- Several squares of cardstock cut large enough to extend past the rim of the glass jar
- To view the experiment, see: http://bit.ly/2MtMrrE

What You Say:

"Turning a glass of water upside down and not spilling it seems to defy gravity. It's not what you'd expect to happen. Jesus turns things upside down, too. He flips the way we think about ourselves and others. He challenges us to live differently. **Jesus helps us do topsy-turvy, amazing things as we follow Him.**"

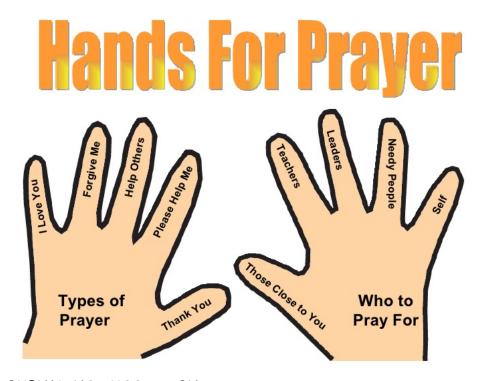
7. GOD TIME: https://thnkor.ng/3elfIRG



4. JOURNAL ENTRY

IDEAS:

USE THIS TEMPLATE TO WRITE PRAYERS TO GOD



OTHER JOURNALING SUGGESTIONS:

- WRITE OR DRAW ABOUT THE BIBLE STORY
- WRITE A PRAYER ABOUT THE BOTTOM LINE
- WRITE OUT A PRAYER FOR SOMEONE ELSE
 - Thank God for loving your friend so much that He gave him/her Jesus.
 - Ask God to help your friend watch for ways to put others first at home this week.
 - Ask God to help your friend watch for ways to put others first at school this week.
 - Pray for your friend to remember today's Bottom Line: [Bottom Line] Put others first because Jesus put you first.

5. PRAY TOGETHER

"Dear God, it's not easy for any of us to put others first. Most of the time we're looking out for ourselves, doing what WE want, making sure we're okay. But You turned that way of thinking upside down and showed us what it looks like to think of others. Help us this week to follow Your example at home and everywhere we go and when we talk to others. In Jesus' name, amen."

Also check out next page - Salvation conversation guide

SALVATION

PARENT CONVERSATION GUIDE ... for kids

This is an exciting time in a kid's life. They're starting to ask questions about their faith. They're wondering about God and His love for them. They may be asking a lot of questions about Jesus—questions that you may struggle with yourself, or questions that may not have a simple answer. But that's okay. This is a starting point for your kid to begin a life-long conversation about faith. That's why we want you to "Start Here" with John 3:16. It lays the foundation for God's love for us that sent Jesus to be our Savior.

"For God so LOVED the world that he GAVE his one and only Son. Anyone who BELIEVES in him will not die but will have eternal life" (John 3:16 NIrV).

WHAT TO SAY

1. GOD LOVED

- God loved you before you were even born. He created you in His image. And He loves you right now.
- But there is something that separates us from Him, something that keeps us from being with Him forever. It's called sin. It's the stuff we do wrong. Sin keeps us from living out the story that God wants for us.
- And on our own, we can't do anything about this. We need God to step in and help. But because God loved us, He made a way for all of us to live with Him forever.

ASK . . .

What is sin? Have you ever sinned? When? What is the problem with sin?

2. GOD GAVE

- God gave the most important, valuable, and perfect thing He had for you. He knew that our sin would keep us from living with Him forever.
- We're apart from God and would stay that way, but because God loved us, He gave His son to fix that relationship. Jesus came to make a way for you to be in God's story.
- And Jesus gave up His life on the cross to pay for our sin. Three days later, Jesus rose from the dead! His resurrection defeated death and makes a relationship with God possible again.

ASK . . .

What did God give us? Why did God give this gift? What did Jesus do for us?

3. WHOEVER BELIEVES IN JESUS

- When you receive a gift what do you do? You open it. God said you could open His gift by believing.
- Believing simply means to trust.
 It's a lot like sitting in a chair. When you sit in a chair, you put all your weight in it. You trust that it will hold you up. That's what it's like to believe in or to trust in this gift.
- To open the gift that God gave you, you trust Jesus with your whole life and rest in the fact that He died and rose again for you.

ASK..

How can you take part in God's Big Story? What does it mean to trust in something? How do you know God loves you?

WHAT NOT TO SAY

1. "INVITE JESUS IN YOUR HEART ..."

For kids, the phrase "inviting Jesus into my heart" can be confusing. They're such concrete thinkers that it can worry them to think that someone is living inside their actual heart.

2. "YOU HAVE TO PRAY LIKE THIS ..."

Kids are going to express their faith with how they understand it at their age. Don't get hung up on the "right words" but rather the heart with which they pray.

3. MADE UP ANSWERS

Don't make up answers to questions you don't know yourself. "I don't know" is a legitimate answer to questions your kid has about faith. There's so much that we don't understand about how God works and how the Holy Spirit enters our life. And that's okay.

