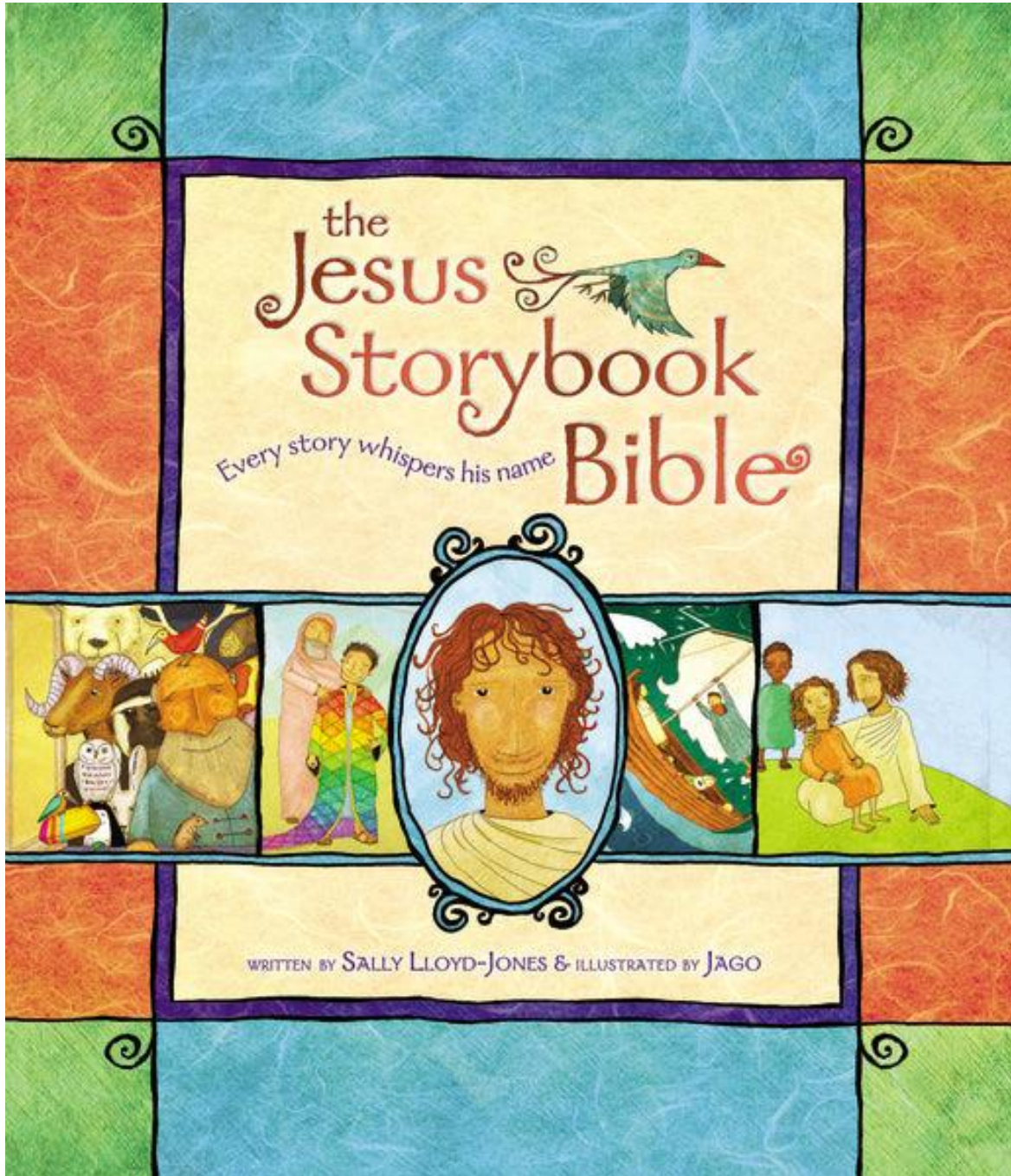


The Jesus Storybook Bible Guided Reading Plan



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This 44-day guided reading plan is designed to help parents take a step toward family disciple-making with their young children while using the Jesus Storybook Bible by Sally Lloyd Jones. We pray this resource deepens your relationship with God and with each other. For each day there are four sections to complete as a family:



Pray - Start out your family devotional time with a prayer inviting the Lord into your time together, learning about His Word.



Read - Together, read one story per day from the Jesus Storybook Bible. Each story in the Storybook Bible is taken from Scripture. This Scripture is included as an optional extension to explore with your family for more context.



Create - After reading the section for the day, you will have the opportunity to get creative and apply what was read by making either a salt dough figure (recipe included on next page) to represent the story or drawing a picture on a piece of paper or in a journal. You could use a notebook you have or staple paper together to create your own! The salt dough figures can be painted once dry or left as they are. When the reading plan is completed, the figures and drawings will create a timeline that families can put in order together to recall the stories and visually see the whole story of Jesus in the Bible from beginning to end.

For children too young to draw in a journal or make salt dough figures, there are coloring pages for each day available under the Bibles and Devotionals section on the Family Disciple-Making website. medinaeast.gracechurches.org/familydisciplemaking/



Memorize - Every 5 days of the plan, there will be a new verse that goes along with the theme of the stories, for you to memorize with your family. That's 9 verses you will have memorized by the end of this plan! Memorizing scripture is an amazing Biblical practice that can be done easily with your kids even at a young age.

Day 1 - The Story and the Song

Introduction

Scripture Foundation: Psalm 19 and Hebrews 1



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Story and the Song* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 12.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Psalm 19 and Hebrews 1 from the Bible.



Create

The Handprint

God made everything in the world to reflect him like a mirror, including you! He made you in his likeness, in his image. His handprints are all over our world in all the beautiful things he has made. Your own handprint is an example of a one-of-a-kind thing God made! No other is quite like yours! Trace your handprint in your journal and fill it in with whatever colors you like best!



Memorize

“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.”

Psalm 19:1 NIV

Day 2 - The Beginning: A Perfect Home Creation

Scripture Foundation: Genesis 1-2



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Beginning: A Perfect Home* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 18.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 1-2 from the Bible.



Create

The Earth

God created the earth and everything in it, including you! How amazing that is! Create an earth using salt dough by forming a ball and drawing lines with a toothpick to create the land shapes. Bake and paint your salt dough ball to look like the earth. Another option is to draw an earth in your journal.



Memorize

“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.”

Psalms 19:1 NIV

Day 3 - The Terrible Lie
Adam and Eve and The Fall
Scripture Foundation: Genesis 3



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Terrible Lie* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 28.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 3 from the Bible.



Create

The Serpent

It was a sad day when Eve and Adam believed the serpent's lies and disobeyed God. Thankfully that's not the end of the story! Create a snake using salt dough to remember today's part of this story. You may also draw the serpent in your journal.



Memorize

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands."

Psalm 19:1 NIV

Day 4 - A New Beginning

Noah's Ark

Scripture Foundation: Genesis 6-9



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *A New Beginning* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 38.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 6-9 from the Bible.



Create

The Rainbow

God promised to never send a flood to wipe out the whole earth again. His promise is symbolized to us by a beautiful rainbow! Create a rainbow shape with salt dough. Use a toothpick to draw the lines that separate the colors if desired. This would be an especially fun one to bake and paint to look like a real rainbow! If you prefer, draw a rainbow in your journal instead.



Memorize

“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.”

Psalm 19:1 NIV

Day 5 - A Giant Staircase to Heaven

The Tower of Babel

Scripture Foundation: Genesis 11



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *A Giant Staircase to Heaven* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 48.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 11 from the Bible.



Create

The Tower

The people thought they could reach heaven on their own if they built a tall enough tower, but we will learn soon that there is a much better way. Draw a picture of what you think the Tower of Babel may have looked in your journal.



Memorize

“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.”

Psalm 19:1 NIV

Day 6 - Son of Laughter

God Promises Abraham a Son

Scripture Foundation: Genesis 12-21



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Son of Laughter* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 56.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 12-21 from the Bible.



Create

The Stars

God promised Abraham that his descendants would number as many as the stars. Make a star out of salt dough or draw one in your journal!



Memorize

“The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you...”

Deuteronomy 31:8a NIV

Day 7 - The Present

Abraham Offers Isaac as a Sacrifice

Scripture Foundation: Genesis 22



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Present* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 62.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 22 from the Bible.



Create

The Ram

God provided a ram to be sacrificed in place of Isaac on top of the mountain. Abraham trusted God and obeyed him, and God provided for his needs. Draw a picture of a ram or sheep in your journal.



Memorize

“The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you...”

Deuteronomy 31:8a NIV

Day 8 - The Girl No One Wanted

Jacob, Rachel and Leah

Scripture Foundation: Genesis 29-30



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Girl No One Wanted* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 70.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 29-30 from the Bible.



Create

The Many Children

God saw Leah and loved and valued her even when no one else did. He gave her many children and through her descendants came Jesus. Draw a big family with many children in your journal.



Memorize

“The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you...”

Deuteronomy 31:8a NIV

Day 9 - The Forgiving Prince

Joseph and His Brothers

Scripture Foundation: Genesis 37-46



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Forgiving Prince* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 76.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 37-46 from the Bible.



Create

The Colorful Coat

Joseph was given a beautiful colorful coat by his father, Jacob. Joseph was treated badly by his brothers because of their jealousy, but God turned all of that around for good and with God's power, Joseph was able to love and forgive them! Create a coat shape out of salt dough, then bake and paint it colorful like Jacob's. Another option is to draw Joseph's colorful coat in your journal!



Memorize

“The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you...”

Deuteronomy 31:8a NIV

Day 10 - God to the Rescue

Moses and the Israelites

Scripture Foundation: Exodus 3-13



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *God to the Rescue* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 84.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Exodus 3-13 from the Bible.



Create

The Doorframe

When Pharaoh didn't listen to God's warnings to let the Israelites go, He sent the last plague throughout all of Egypt. Every firstborn boy in a family would die. God told the Israelites that in order to be safe, they must kill their best lamb and put some of the blood around the front doorframe of their house. Then when the last plague passed over Egypt, the houses with doors stained with the blood of the lamb would not be touched because the lamb died in their place. Mold a doorframe out of salt dough and paint it to show the shed blood that saved them. You could also draw the doorframe in your journal!



Memorize

“The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you...”

Deuteronomy 31:8a NIV

Day 11 - God Makes a Way

Moses and the Red Sea

Scripture Foundation: Exodus 14-15



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *God Makes a Way* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 92.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Exodus 14-15 from the Bible.



Create

The Red Sea

God did an amazingly miraculous thing when he parted the Red Sea for his people- to make a dry path for them to walk across and escape the Egyptians! Draw a picture in your journal of what you think it would have looked like! Include Moses and the Israelites if you want too!



Memorize

“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19 NIV

Day 12 - Ten Ways to be Perfect
Moses and the Ten Commandments
Scripture Foundation: Exodus 16-17, 19-40



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Ten Ways to be Perfect* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 100.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Genesis 16-17 and 19-40 from the Bible.



Create

The Ten Commandments

God told Moses ten rules called commandments of life that he wanted his people to live by to love God well and grow in closeness to him. Moses wrote these commandments on stone tablets and brought them to the people to see. Mold a stone tablet or two with salt dough and use a toothpick to make wiggly lines on them to show the writing that would be on them, to remember this story. You could also draw the tablets in your journal!



Memorize

“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19 NIV

Day 13 - The Warrior Leader

Joshua and the Battle of Jericho

Scripture Foundation: Joshua 3 & 6



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Warrior Leader* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 108.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Joshua 3 & 6 from the Bible.



Create

The Walls

Joshua and the Israelites trusted God even though what he told them to do didn't seem to make sense to them. They marched around the huge walls of Jericho day after day for seven days and finally after marching around them seven times that last day, and yelling at the top of their lungs, God sent the walls crashing down without them even having to fight their enemies! How cool is that?! Draw the huge walls of Jericho coming crashing down in your journal.



Memorize

“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19 NIV

Day 14 - The Teeny, Weenie True King

Samuel Anoints David

Scripture Foundation: 1 Samuel 16



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Teeny, Weenie True King* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 116.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to 1 Samuel 16 from the Bible.



Create

The Crown

God knew that David's heart was good and that he would follow Him and keep His commands as the true future king of Israel, even though everyone else thought he was the wrong choice. God can use anyone if their heart is devoted to Him and committed to follow Him. Create a crown out of salt dough to represent the crown that David was anointed to one day wear as king. You could also draw a crown in your journal!



Memorize

“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19 NIV

Day 15 - The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant

David and Goliath

Scripture Foundation: 1 Samuel 17



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Young Hero and the Horrible Giant* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 122.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to 1 Samuel 17 from the Bible.



Create

The Sling and the Stone

Even though David was so much smaller than Goliath, that didn't stop him from winning the battle! He trusted God would help him and was so brave he did what no one else wanted to do.... fight a giant. How amazing that with God's help, David was able to defeat Goliath with only a small stone and a slingshot! Wow! Make a sling shot out of salt dough by making a Y-shape. You could also attach a small string to the top with hot glue once it is dry! Or, draw a sling shot to remember this story instead.

Memorize



“And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19 NIV

Day 16 - The Good Shepherd

David the Shepherd King

Scripture Foundation: Psalm 51; 2 Samuel 7; Psalm 23



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Good Shepherd* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 130.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Psalm 51, 2 Samuel 7 and Psalm 23 from the Bible.



Create

The Shepherd

God chose David, a lowly, young shepherd boy to one day rule the kingdom of Israel as king. Not because he was perfect, but because his heart loved God and he wanted to follow him, like sheep follow a shepherd. David was a good shepherd. Draw a picture of a shepherd taking care of his sheep in your journal.



Memorize

“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”

Psalm 51:10 NIV

Day 17 - A Little Servant Girl and the Proud General

The Little Slave Girl and Naaman

Scripture Foundation: 2 Kings 5



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *A Little Servant Girl and the Proud General* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 136.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to 2 Kings 5 from the Bible.



Create

The River

In 2 Kings 5, it says Elisha told Naaman that he would be healed by God if he washed himself in the Jordan River seven times. The Jordan was not known for being a very clean river...it was downright dirty and gross! Naaman didn't want to do it. He thought he was too important to be washing in dirty rivers. Naaman's servants traveling with him finally convinced him to swallow his pride and obey the instructions Elisha had given him. After seven dips into the Jordan river NAAMAN WAS HEALED! God not only healed his sickness on the outside that day, God also healed Naaman's heart of pride as well. Draw a picture of what you think the Jordan River may have looked like. Include Naaman washing in it if you wish!



Memorize

“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”

Psalm 51:10 NIV

Day 18 - Operation “No More Tears!”

The Rescuer Will Come

Scripture Foundation: Isaiah 9, 11, 40, 50, 53, 55, & 60



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Operation “No More Tears!”* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 144.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Isaiah 9, 11, 40, 50, 53, 55, & 60 from the Bible.



Create

The Letter

God had a message for his people, the Israelites, that he sent through Isaiah. It was kind of like a letter to them. It had some hard things in it for the people to hear because they had been disobedient to God for a long time. But God still loved them so much and wanted them to come back to him. They had gotten so lost on their own that he was going to send someone to save them! Draw an envelope and letter or write a note in your journal to remember this story.



Memorize

“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”

Psalm 51:10 NIV

Day 19 - Daniel and the Scary Sleepover

Daniel and the Lion's Den

Scripture Foundation: Daniel 6



Pray

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Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Daniel and the Scary Sleepover* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 152.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Daniel 6 from the Bible.



Create

The Lions

Daniel would only worship and pray to God, not any other man. But the law said he had to pray to King Darius too. When he would only pray to God, men took Daniel and threw him into a big pit in the ground filled with hungry lions! I think I would have been scared, would you? But Daniel prayed to God to protect him and be with him. God answered Daniel's prayer! He closed the mouths of the lions and made them act like sweet kitty cats, so Daniel was completely safe! King Darius was amazed and praised God because of this miracle. Make a lion out of salt dough or draw a lion in your journal.



Memorize

“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”

Psalm 51:10 NIV

Day 20 - God's Messenger

Jonah and the Big Fish

Scripture Foundation: Jonah 1-4; Hebrews 1:1-2



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *God's Messenger* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 160.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Jonah 1-4 and Hebrews 1:1-2 from the Bible.



Create

The Fish

God gave Jonah a message for the people of Nineveh but instead of listening to God, Jonah ran away! Jonah was on a boat but when a storm hit, he was thrown into the water and a huge fish swallowed him up! Jonah prayed to God asking forgiveness for disobeying and asking God to save him. After three days, God made the fish spit Jonah out onto dry land without a scratch on him! How amazing! Make a big fish out of salt dough or draw the fish in your journal to remember this story!



Memorize

“Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”

Psalm 51:10 NIV

Day 21 - Get Ready!

God's People Return from Being Slaves

Scripture Foundation: Nehemiah 8-10; Malachi- 1, 3 & 4; Ezra 7



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Get Ready!* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 170.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Nehemiah 8-10; Malachi 1, 3, 4 and Ezra 7 from the Bible.



Create

The Celebration

God's people were finally allowed to come back to their own land after being in exile for a very long time! They had been ignoring God's law for so long that they had to relearn it. Many of them felt discouraged and sad with how badly they had acted. Ezra and Nehemiah were helping to lead the people and when they saw their discouragement, they decided to pause and celebrate all that God had done for his people with a weeklong party! They reminded each other of the stories of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob...of Moses and David. The people thanked God for all he had done, praised Him, and celebrated! Draw a picture of people having a big party!



Memorize

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light..."

Isaiah 9:2a NIV

Day 22 - He's Here!

The Nativity

Scripture Foundation: Luke 1-2



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *He's Here!* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 176.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 1-2 from the Bible.



Create

The Baby

Finally, He has arrived! Jesus! The Savior, son of God, sent to save the world from our sin. He came as a sweet, little baby to two ordinary people who loved and obeyed God. He was the true King! But he didn't come as you would expect. He didn't come with riches, wasn't born in a castle and he wasn't announced with trumpets to the whole world. He was born in a stable with animals around and laid in a manger of straw. He was born humbly and quietly, but soon more people would know that he had arrived! Make a manger and a baby Jesus to lay into it out of salt dough. You could also draw baby Jesus in the manger instead.



Memorize

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light...”

Isaiah 9:2a NIV

Day 23 - The Light of the Whole World

The Story of the Shepherds

Scripture Foundation: Luke 2



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Light of the Whole World* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 184.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 2 from the Bible.



Create

The Shepherds

Most people back then thought shepherds were unimportant and smelly, and stayed away from them. But Jesus came for ALL people, no matter what other people thought of them. God sending angels to tell the shepherds about Jesus before anyone else “important” shows his great love for all people no matter who they are. When the shepherds first saw the angels in the night sky they were frightened and confused at what they saw. But when they heard the angels speak of a baby Messiah born in Bethlehem that would be the Savior of the world, they ran as fast as they could to find this child and worship him. They were so excited that they told everyone they saw this wonderful, good news! Draw the shepherds in the fields when the angels came to visit them in the sky!



Memorize

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light...”

Isaiah 9:2a NIV

Day 24 - The King of all Kings
The Story of the Wise Men
Scripture Foundation: Matthew 2



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The King of all Kings* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 192.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 2 from the Bible.



Create

The Gifts

The Wise Men had traveled such a long way to meet Jesus that he was already 2 years old when they arrived at his house! They had kept three precious gifts safe on their travels and gave them to Jesus. They were gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Frankincense and myrrh both were known to smell nice and could be used for medicine as well. Draw what you think these three gifts could have looked like in your journal to remember this story.



Memorize

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light...”

Isaiah 9:2a NIV

Day 25 - Heaven Breaks Through

The Story of John the Baptist

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 3; Luke 1 & 3; John 1



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Heaven Breaks Through* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 200.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 3, Luke 1 & 3 and John 1 from the Bible.



Create

The Dove

John the Baptist had been busy baptizing people in the Jordan river. Baptism is when people want to show everyone that they love God and want to follow him, leaving their old ways behind. John the Baptist would slowly dunk them underwater and bring them back up again to symbolize newness in life. When John saw Jesus walk up, he immediately knew who he was! Jesus asked John to baptize him in the Jordan river too. When Jesus came up out of the water, a beautiful light shone down on him from above the clouds and a dove flew down to rest on his shoulder. A voice from heaven spoke loudly and clearly saying “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.” Jesus is God’s Son! Make a white bird out of salt dough to resemble a dove that came down from heaven when Jesus was baptized. You could also draw a dove instead to remember this story.



Memorize

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light...”

Isaiah 9:2a NIV

Day 26 - Let's Go!

Jesus is Tempted; Calling His Disciples

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 4; Mark 1, Luke 4-6



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Let's Go!* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 208.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 4, Mark 1 and Luke 4-6 from the Bible.



Create

The Disciples

Altogether, Jesus asked 12 men to be his helpers, to follow him and learn from him while he went on his rescue mission to save the world. None of them had special training, were famous or rich. Some of them were very much disliked by others in their towns. But when Jesus said to come and follow him, they went! They dropped everything else and followed Jesus. They traveled with him, helped him and learned from him. On page 213 there is a list of the names of Jesus disciples. Draw the first four disciples, Peter, Andrew, James and John leaving their fishing boats behind to follow Jesus.



Memorize

“Come follow me, Jesus said, and I will send you out to fish for people.”

Matthew 4:19 NIV

Day 27 - A Little Girl and a Poor Frail Lady

The Story of Jairus' Daughter

Scripture Foundation: Luke 8



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *A Little Girl and a Poor Frail Lady* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 214.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 8 from the Bible.



Create

The Girl

In the story today, Jesus really showed his power over sickness and death! Jairus' daughter was so sick she was about to die. He knew that only one person could help her. Jesus! By the time Jesus got there though, the girl had already died. Everyone was so sad and wanted to give up. Except Jesus! He told them not to worry for she was only sleeping. He walked over to her, placed his hand on her gently and told her to wake and stand up, AND SHE DID!! Jesus healed her and brought her back to life! WOW! How amazing and awesome is that!? Draw a picture of the girl completely well and healed to remember this miraculous story!



Memorize

“Come follow me, Jesus said, and I will send you out to fish for people.”

Matthew 4:19 NIV

Day 28 - How to Pray

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 6



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *How to Pray* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 222.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 6 from the Bible.



Create

The Prayer

Jesus taught that you don't have to know a lot of special words or even say your prayers out loud for God to hear you. We can talk to God just like we talk to someone else we love, anytime and anywhere! Draw yourself praying to God in a favorite spot or speak out a prayer to God and ask a parent to write it down for you.



Memorize

“Come follow me, Jesus said, and I will send you out to fish for people.”

Matthew 4:19 NIV

Day 29 - The Singer

The Sermon on the Mount

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 6, 9; Luke 12



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Singer* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 228.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 6, 9 and Luke 12 from the Bible.



Create

The Birds and Flowers

Jesus taught in this story that we shouldn't be worried about tomorrow and if we will have food to eat or clothes to wear. God will provide for our every need if only we believe and trust in him. Jesus reminded his listeners that God provides the most beautiful "clothes" for flowers to wear by dressing them in such beautiful colors in their petals. He also always provides food for all the birds to eat! God loves you so much more than the birds and the flowers, so of course he will provide for you too! Draw a scene with some beautiful flowers and birds to remind yourself of this story and how God always provides.



Memorize

"Come follow me, Jesus said, and I will send you out to fish for people."

Matthew 4:19 NIV

Day 30 - The Captain of the Storm

Jesus Calms the Storm

Scripture Foundation: Mark 4; Matthew 8



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Captain of the Storm* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 236.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Mark 4 and Matthew 8 from the Bible.



Create

The Storm

How amazing was this story?! That storm that the disciples and Jesus ended up in while they were sailing in their boat sounded so strong and big! But we found out who is stronger and bigger! Jesus! He simply asked the waves and the wind to stop, AND THEY DID! Even the waves and the wind listen to God's son, Jesus. What an awesome story about his power. Make a storm cloud and lightning out of salt dough or draw one in your journal to remember this amazing story of God's power.



Memorize

“Come follow me, Jesus said, and I will send you out to fish for people.”

Matthew 4:19 NIV

Day 31 - Filled Full!

The Feeding of the 5,000

Scripture Foundation: Mark 6; Matthew 14; Luke 9



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Filled Full!* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 244.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Mark 6, Matthew 14 and Luke 9 from the Bible.



Create

The Fish and Loaves

In our story today, Jesus was teaching thousands of people who had come to hear what he had to say. They had followed him far out, away from their homes, just to listen to him. The disciples started to get worried that it was getting late in the day and these people needed something to eat. They suggested Jesus send them away to go find food in nearby towns. But Jesus had a better idea! He asked them to gather the food that everyone had but it turned out to be only 5 loaves of bread and two fish. This wasn't a problem for Jesus! Jesus did another amazing miracle in this story! He fed 5,000 people from only 5 loaves of bread and two fish! Wow! When the disciples started handing the food out, they never ran out and even had TWELVE baskets full of leftovers! Jesus miraculously provided for all these people. Draw some loaves of bread and fish in your journal to remember this story.



Memorize

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28 NIV

Day 32 - Treasure Hunt

The Story of the Hidden Treasure

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 13



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Treasure Hunt* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 250.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 13 from the Bible.



Create

The Treasure

Jesus told the parable of how a man found a buried treasure and how he sold everything he had to buy that land where the treasure was hidden so it could be his! He explained that knowing God and having a relationship with him is better than ANY treasure...better than gold, silver, diamonds, rubies, or anything else you can think of! Knowing God is the greatest treasure we could ever have, and we should stop at nothing to make it our own. Make a salt dough heart to remind yourself that the greatest treasure you can have is God and his love for you. You could also draw a picture of a heart in your journal!



Memorize

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28 NIV

Day 33 - The Friend of Little Children

Jesus and the Children

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 18-19; Mark 10; Luke 18



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Friend of Little Children* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 256.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 18-19, Mark 10 and Luke 18 from the Bible.



Create

The Children

The disciples saw that lots of people were bringing their children to Jesus to be prayed for and blessed and to spend time with him. They tried to shoo them away thinking Jesus was a great teacher and he had more important and better things to do than be bothered by small children. But Jesus told the disciples that they were wrong! He told them to let all the little children come to him and to never stop them from coming to him! Jesus loves children! He wants you to come talk to him no matter how young or small you are. He thinks you are so important and valuable. Draw children coming up to Jesus and sitting with him.



Memorize

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28 NIV

Day 34 - The Man Who Didn't Have Any Friends (None)

The Story of Zacchaeus

Scripture Foundation: Luke 19



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Man Who Didn't Have Any Friends (None)* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 264.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 19 from the Bible.



Create

The Dinner

Zacchaeus was very lonely and didn't have any friends because of his job and how he cheated others out of money. When Jesus came to his town Zacchaeus knew he wanted to meet this man who he heard was so loving and kind. He climbed a tree because he couldn't see over the crowds! Jesus saw him and knew who he was immediately. He said, Zacchaeus, come down from there and let's go have dinner at your house. Zacchaeus was so surprised that Jesus knew his name and wanted to spend time with him at his house! He was so happy he promised to be a better person and not take people's money any more, in fact he paid them back. He was so happy to have dinner with Jesus and more importantly to have a friend in Jesus. Draw a yummy dinner that Zacchaeus and Jesus may have shared together as friends.



Memorize

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28 NIV

Day 35 - Running Away
The Story of the Lost Son
Scripture Foundation: Luke 15



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Running Away* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 272.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 15 from the Bible.



Create

The Party

In our story, the son left his father's house with all his money, spent it all on food and fancy things and then when it all ran out, he became so hungry he almost ate pig scraps! He started to realize he had made a terrible mistake and he was better off at his father's house. He thought his father would be very angry with him if he came home with nothing but thought maybe he could go back and be his father's servant and work for him. When he was almost at his father's house, his father sees him and runs to meet him, overjoyed that his son had come home! He is so happy that they all celebrate with a huge party with all the yummy food and music you can imagine! The son is so grateful for his father's forgiveness and love. God is our heavenly Father and he feels the same way about us when we come to him even after we have done something wrong and ask him for forgiveness. When one sinner turns their life to God there is a party in heaven for that one person, the angels celebrate! Draw a picture of the party you imagine.



Memorize

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28 NIV

Day 36 - Washed with Tears

A Sinful Woman Anoints Jesus

Scripture Foundation: Mark 14; Luke 7; John 12



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Washed with Tears* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 280.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Mark 14, Luke 7 and John 12 from the Bible.



Create

The Perfume

In our story today, a woman who was known to be a sinner who had done a lot of bad things came to a dinner that she wasn't invited to, to see Jesus. There were important people there that followed all of God's rules but didn't love God or his people. They did it all for show. The woman knew she was a sinner, and she knew she needed someone to rescue her...she knew that person was Jesus. She bowed at his feet, held them in her hands and cried and cried for all the wrong things she had done and for relief and thankfulness that Jesus could rescue her. She washed his feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. Then she poured a whole bottle of expensive sweet-smelling perfume on his feet. Jesus told her that her sins were forgiven. You believed in me, and God rescued you, he said. Make a jar of perfume out of salt dough to remember this beautiful story of God's forgiveness for all the wrong things we do. Or, draw a picture of a jar of perfume in your journal.



Memorize

“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

John 3:16 NIV

Day 37 - The Servant King

The Last Supper

Scripture Foundation: Mark 14; John 13-14



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Servant King* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 286.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Mark 14 and John 13-14 from the Bible.



Create

The Bread and Cup

After Jesus was done humbly serving his disciples by washing their stinky dirty feet, they started their Passover meal together. He broke some bread and told them that this bread was like his body that would be broken for them, for the world. He asked them to all take a piece and eat it together to remember him by. He then took a cup of wine and told them that it was like his blood that would be shed for the sins of the world. He asked them to all take a drink to remember him by. The disciples didn't really know what he was talking about...they didn't know what he planned to do very soon. He was going to rescue the whole world. Draw some bread and a glass of wine to remember this story and the Last Supper Jesus had with his disciples.



Memorize

“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

John 3:16 NIV

Day 38 - A Dark Night in the Garden

The Garden of Gethsemane

Scripture Foundation: Luke 22; Mark 14; John 18



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *A Dark Night in the Garden* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 294.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 22, Mark 14 and John 18 from the Bible.



Create

The Soldiers

Jesus was praying in the Garden of Gethsemane when all of a sudden there were torches and shouting and soldiers all around. Judas, one of Jesus' disciples, had betrayed Jesus and showed these soldiers where to find Jesus because they wanted to arrest him and take him to trial. Jesus' other disciples started to try to fight the soldiers off, but Jesus stopped them and told them it was okay. This was the plan that God had from the beginning. This is what had to happen for the world to be saved. He went peacefully and willingly with them to stand trial. They brought Jesus to the Important Leaders. They didn't believe that Jesus was the Son of God. They thought he was lying, and that he deserved death for pretending. Draw the soldiers that came to take Jesus in your journal.



Memorize

“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

John 3:16 NIV

Day 39 - The Sun Stops Shining

The Crucifixion

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 27; Mark 15; Luke 23; John 19



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *The Sun Stops Shining* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 302.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 27, Mark 15, Luke 23 and John 19 from the Bible.



Create

The Cross

The Important Leaders found that Jesus was guilty of saying he was the Son of God and they thought he was lying. They said that this deserved death...a horrible and painful death of his hands and feet being nailed to a cross. They were treating Jesus as if he was a criminal when in fact, he had done nothing wrong. But this was God's plan...the only way God's people could be saved was if someone took the blame for all the wrong, bad things they had done; for all their sins. When sin first came into the world when Adam and Eve listened to the serpent and disobeyed God, the penalty for sin was separation from God, a broken relationship with him and ultimately death. Jesus took the blame for all our sins by being the one to die instead of us. He was without sin, but he took the sins of all the world, everyone who would ever live, on his shoulders that day and took the punishment for us so that we could be forgiven if only we believe in him and ask for forgiveness. A free gift to the world was given that day. Make a cross out of salt dough to remember Jesus' sacrifice for you or draw a cross in your journal.



Memorize

“For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.”

John 3:16 NIV

Day 40 - Gods Wonderful Surprise

The Resurrection

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24 and John 20



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *God's Wonderful Surprise* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 310.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24 and John 20 from the Bible.



Create

The Empty Tomb

When some of Jesus' friends went to visit the tomb where Jesus was buried after he died, they found the surprise of their lives! They found the tomb empty and an angel there telling them that Jesus was not there because he was not dead, he was ALIVE! Three days after Jesus was crucified and died on the cross, he ROSE AGAIN! He came alive and defeated death! Now everyone who believes in Jesus and confesses their sins to him will be saved from death and have eternal life with him forever in heaven! Isn't that so completely AMAZING?! We don't have to fear death when we know Jesus because he overcame death, and so can we when we put our trust in him. Make an empty tomb out of salt dough with a big stone that has been rolled away from the entrance. You could also draw this in your journal to remember this story of Jesus raising from the dead!



Memorize

"For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16 NIV

Day 41 - Going Home

The Ascension

Scripture Foundation: Matthew 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 14



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *Going Home* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 318.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 15 from the Bible.



Create

The Good News

Jesus spent some more time with the disciples after he rose again, but soon it was time for him to go back to heaven to be with his Father. Before he left, he told the disciples he had a job for them. He wanted them to tell everyone they knew, everyone they met, everyone in the whole world about the good and happy news that he loved them so much that he died for them. That if they believed in him, trusted him and loved him, their sins would be forgiven and wiped clean and he would be with them again someday in heaven! This job was not just for his disciples though, it is for everyone who believes in Jesus! Draw a picture of a megaphone that you can use to make your voice super loud when you yell into it! This will be to remember that we are supposed to tell everyone everywhere that Jesus loves them so much that he died for them.



Memorize

“He said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.’”

Mark 16:15 NIV

Day 42 - God Sends Help

Pentecost

Scripture Foundation: Acts 1-5; John 15



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *God Sends Help* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 326.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Acts 1-5 and John 15 from the Bible.



Create

The Tongues of Fire

The disciples were feeling pretty alone and scared after Jesus went up to heaven. They knew they had a job to do but they didn't feel like they could do it now that Jesus wasn't with them. They were all huddled into an upstairs room waiting and hoping for a miracle. Suddenly a wind came rushing into the room and flames of fire were resting above each of their heads. God had sent his Holy Spirit to be with his people who believed and trusted in him so that they would have him with them wherever they went! They had access to God's power through his Holy Spirit and this would help them to do the job of telling the whole world about the good news of Jesus! Make a flame of fire out of salt dough to remember this amazing story of God's power. Or, draw a flame of fire in your journal.



Memorize

“He said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.’”

Mark 16:15 NIV

Day 43 - A New Way to See

The Story of Paul

Scripture Foundation: Acts 6-9, 12-28; Colossians 2; Romans 8;
Ephesians 2



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *A New Way to See* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 334.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Acts 6-9, 12-28; Colossians 2; Romans 8; Ephesians from the Bible.



Create

The Light

Saul was a confused man and he thought he was doing the right thing when he captured and hurt Jesus' followers. But one day Saul encountered a blinding a great light on the road to Damascus where he was traveling. He heard a voice come out of the light and say to him, "Saul, why are you fighting against me?" When Saul asked who was speaking, he said "I am Jesus. When you hurt my followers, you are hurting me." When the light faded, Saul realized he could not see, he was blind! Saul was nursed back to health by a man named Ananias who believed in Jesus. When Saul was better, he prayed for him, and he was able to see again! He changed his name to Paul because he was a changed man! He believed in Jesus... he had seen the LIGHT of the world! Draw a picture of Saul on the road when he saw the great light to help you remember this story.



Memorize

"He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.'"

Mark 16:15 NIV

Day 44 - A Dream of Heaven

John Sees into the Future

Scripture Foundation: Revelation 1, 5, 21, 22



Pray

You may read the sample prayer aloud or say your own prayer to start your time with your child(ren).

Dear Jesus, as we read about you today, we ask that you open our eyes to what you want to teach us. Thank you for giving us the time and the space in our day to focus on you. Help us to become more and more like you each day. Amen



Read

Read *A Dream of Heaven* from the Jesus Storybook Bible starting on page 342.

For reference, context, or a more in-depth study, refer to Luke 15 from the Bible.



Create

The Dream

One of Jesus' disciples named John was given a dream: a beautiful heaven straight from Jesus himself. Jesus appeared to him and gave him a vision of one day Jesus sitting on the throne in heaven and people from all over the world bowing down before him and worshipping him as their King. He saw a sparkling city of heaven coming down to earth and making a new heaven and a new earth where there would be no more darkness, no more loneliness, no more tears or running away and hiding. God's people would finally be reunited with him in a new perfect world and would get to be together praising him forever and ever. Draw a picture of a beautiful place that you imagine this new heaven and earth could be like. Of course, we know it will be better than anything we can imagine!



Memorize

“He said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.’”

Mark 16:15 NIV

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