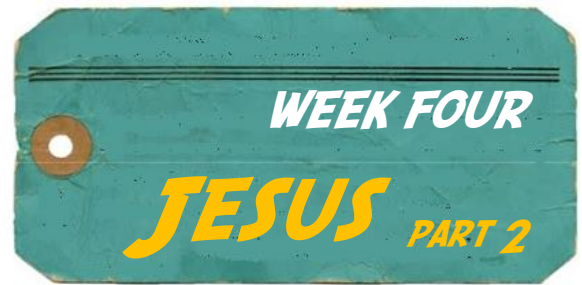


KIDS ZONE

TREASURE HUNTERS



Welcome to Kingsway Kids Home Edition! In this series, we're Treasure Hunters! Digging through the Bible for the truths and treasures hidden in God's Word!

A NOTE TO PARENTS: This is a new season for all of us! My hope is this material will help keep our Kingsway Kids connected, and encourage you and your family as you dig into God's word together. I'd love to hear your feedback, or if you have questions, please feel free to get in touch – you can reach me at kids@kingswayfoursquare.com

Each week's material will be adaptable to best fit the needs of your family. You can set aside time to do the content all at once, or work through little bits at a time. There will be a memory verse, bible study element, discussion questions, craft options or experiments (using things you'd find around the house,) game ideas, and if you have access to a printer – puzzles and colouring sheets too. Some activities will be better suited to certain ages, so please read through and pick the options that are best for your child.

Please know I'm praying for you and your kids. I hope you have a lot of fun with this series!

All the best,

Rose

Children's Ministry Director

ROMANS 5:11 (NLT)

Now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God, because Jesus has made us friends of God.



ROMANS 3:22 (NLT)

We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.



BIBLE STUDY & DISCUSSION:

Recap last week: Can you remember last week's memory verse? Try and recite it together.

Last week, we talked about Gospel meaning Good News, and we looked at a snapshot from Jesus' life by using the SOAP tool to explore the story of Palm Sunday.

How did you do with last week's challenge to share the Good News or pray for someone who doesn't know Jesus yet? *Share how it went and encourage one another.*

This week's study:

This week we're going to look at another story from Jesus' life – we celebrate this story at Easter. It's a key part to the Good News, and is written about in all 4 of the Gospels (Can you remember the names of the 4 books?) We're going to follow along in Luke.

Read Luke 23:44 – 24:7 (This is a long passage, if you have a Jesus Storybook Bible or another picture Bible at home, you can find the story of Jesus' death and resurrection there instead)

- Jesus was treated like a criminal by the Romans – had he done anything wrong? (Hint: 23:47)

- If Jesus was innocent, why did he have to die? *Because of our Sin. Sin separates us from God. God's people used to use animals as a sacrifice to say sorry to God for the wrong they'd done. Jesus' death was the ultimate sacrifice, giving us a way back to relationship with God forever.*

- What happened after Jesus died? *3 days later, he came back to life. His death and resurrection beat the power of sin.*

Experiment: This is an illustration of sin and the power of Jesus in our lives.

Follow the link for instructions: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1skX9qQAZCM> (if you don't have iodine at home, you can use soy sauce in water or food colouring)

The power of the cross is something that is constant in our lives. When we decide to be a follower of Jesus, we say sorry to Him for our sin, but that doesn't mean we become perfect all of a sudden! As we follow Him, we need to keep asking for forgiveness for the wrong we do. It's a journey, we're going to make mistakes, but Jesus continues to forgive and continues to transform us along the way.

WEEKLY CHALLENGE:

Take some time to say sorry to God, and to thank him for the incredible gift Jesus gave us. You could quietly pray, write your prayer in a journal, you could draw or paint or even sing. However you talk with God, set some time aside this week.

PRAY TOGETHER

ACTIVITY OPTIONS:

1. Egg Painting

Follow the YouTube tutorial to drain an egg and keep the shell intact. Colour or paint the shell.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jg3AVMNssiE>

LINK IT TO THE BIBLE POINT: Giving eggs became a tradition at Easter time because they're a symbol of new life. Jesus is Risen! His death and resurrection gives us new life and a way to relationship with God.

2. Work on the Memory verse

Come up with actions for each part of the memory verse

OR

try and fit the words to a song or tune you know

OR

write it out and post it by the sinks in your house and recite the verse while you wash your hands!

3. Colouring sheet

If you have access to a printer, print the Colouring Sheet for your kids!

4. Right Now Media Video

Superbook Season 1 Session 11 "He is Risen!"

5. Gospel Colour Bracelets

An excellent resource for retelling the Gospel story. Each colour represents a part of the Gospel.

See the YouTube video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7RJ5s1kcgR4>

Black – Sin, separation from God

Red – Jesus, saved me from Sin

White – I am made right with God

Blue – Washed clean of sin, I follow Jesus

Green – I grow in my relationship with God

Yellow - I hope for what is to come

Make a bracelet or necklace with 6 different colour beads to help you remember and retell the Gospel to others. Don't have beads at home? Paint uncooked macaroni noodles to use as beads, or colour a strip of paper with the 6 colours or make beads from salt dough.

GAME OPTIONS:

1. Easter Egg Hunt

Hide chocolate eggs, or empty plastic eggs that your kids can trade in for a bigger prize such as a book! If you have more than one child you can colour code the eggs to help keep things fair between siblings.

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