



WEEK THREE

JESUS IS ALIVE

Believe in Jesus

KEY VERSE:

"He is not here, but He has risen!"
-Luke 24:6(NIV)

**KINGDOM QUEST MAY BE OVER,
BUT THE ADVENTURE CONTINUES.**

A NOTE FOR PARENTS

Dear Parents,

This week is the most important week of our entire devotional series. Why? Because everything comes back to Jesus.

Your child will read about the resurrection, God's love, sin, forgiveness, and what it means to trust Jesus as Savior.

As parents, it can sometimes feel intimidating to have spiritual conversations about salvation. If that's you, let me encourage you: you don't need to have all the answers.

Simply listen. Ask questions. Invite conversation.

One of the reasons we created these devotions is because parents are often in the best position to help a child process what God may be doing in their heart.

If your child asks questions about becoming a Christian, don't feel pressure to rush the conversation. Listen carefully. Ask them what they understand. Help them explain the gospel in their own words.

Most importantly, remember that salvation is God's work.

Our role is to faithfully point children to Jesus.

God does the saving.

If your child has questions about following Jesus, salvation, or baptism, we would love to help. Our team would be honored to meet with you and your child to answer questions and help you continue the conversation.

To schedule a time with one of our pastors or ministry staff, please email: lauranorthrup@firstorlando.com

We would love to partner with you as your child takes next steps in their faith journey.

Thank you for taking this journey with your child.

There is no greater privilege than helping the next generation discover who Jesus is and what He has done for them.

Praying for your family,



Pastor Heath Bryant
Family Pastor
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FAMILY CHALLENGE

This Week's Challenge:

Have each family member explain the gospel in their own words.

Adventure Tip:

Don't worry about getting every word exactly right. The goal is to understand who Jesus is, what He did for us, and why that matters. Listen carefully to one another and celebrate the opportunity to talk about Jesus together.

WEEK THEME

- The resurrection isn't just something that happened a long time ago.
- Jesus is alive today.
- Maybe you're worried about what others think.
- Because Jesus is alive, our sins can be forgiven, our relationship with God can be restored, and we can have eternal life.
- This week we'll discover why the resurrection is the best news ever.

DAY ONE

THE EMPTY TOMB

Story Passage:

Luke 24:1-12

Key Verse:

“He is not here, but He has risen!”
—Luke 24:6(NirV)

Peter ran to the tomb and found it empty.

The women came expecting to find Jesus’ body, but instead they heard amazing news:

Jesus was alive!

The resurrection changed everything.

If Jesus had stayed in the tomb, He would have been just another teacher.

But because He rose from the dead, we know He is exactly who He claimed to be—the Son of God.

Because Jesus is alive, we have hope today.

Think About it

- How do you think Peter felt when he saw the empty tomb?
- Why is the resurrection such good news?
- What does the resurrection tell us about Jesus?!

Try It

Tell someone one reason you’re thankful Jesus is alive.

Talk to God

Jesus, thank You for conquering death and giving us hope. Amen.

DAY TWO

WHY DID JESUS DIE?

Story Passage:

Romans 5:6-11

Key Verse:

“But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.”
—Romans 5:8(NlrV)

Have you ever broken something and wished you could fix it?

Our sin broke something much more important.

Sin separates us from God.

Sin is choosing our way instead of God’s way.

Every person has sinned.

The bad news is that we can’t fix our sin ourselves.

The good news is that God loves us so much that He sent Jesus to take the punishment for our sin.

Jesus didn’t die because He did something wrong.

Jesus died for us.

That’s how much He loves us.

Our sin isn’t a surprise to Jesus, in fact this verse plainly tell us that He knows about our sin and He STILL died for us!

There’s no sin too big or too small for Jesus.

He loves us no matter what!

Think About it

- What does this verse teach us about God’s love?
- Why do you think Jesus was willing to die for us?
- Why can’t we fix our sin by ourselves?

Try It

Thank Jesus today for His love and sacrifice.

Talk to God

Jesus, thank You for loving me enough to die for my sins. Amen.

DAY THREE

JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY

Story Passage:

John 14:1-14

Key Verse:

"Jesus told him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through Me.'"
—*John 14:6(NIV)*

Jesus spoke these words to His disciples the night before He died on the cross.

Think about that for a moment.

These aren't words someone else said about Jesus.

These are words Jesus said about Himself.

Jesus didn't say He was a way to God.

He said He is the way.

Why is Jesus the only way?

First, we all have a problem called sin.

Romans 3:23 says, "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Who is "all"?

Everyone. Kids. Parents. Teachers. Pastors. Grandparents.

Every person who has ever lived has sinned.

Sin is choosing our way instead of God's way.

And sin is a big problem because God is perfectly holy and perfectly good.

Our sin separates us from Him.

But God loved us too much to leave us separated from Him.

Romans 6:23 says,

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

A wage is something you earn.

Because of our sin, we deserve punishment.

But Jesus took that punishment for us.

Imagine cheating on a test and getting caught.

You deserve the punishment.

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Then your best friend steps forward and says,

"I'll take the punishment instead."

That's what Jesus did when He died on the cross.

He took the punishment we deserved.

Then God made us an amazing promise.

John 3:16 says,

"For God loved the world in this way: He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life."

When we ask Jesus to forgive our sins and become the Lord—the boss—of our lives, He forgives us and makes us right with God.

That's why Jesus is the only way.

Only Jesus lived a perfect life.

Only Jesus died for our sins.

Only Jesus came back to life.

And only Jesus can save us.

Think About it

- Who does Romans 3:23 say has sinned?
- Why do you think Jesus was willing to take the punishment for our sins?
- What makes Jesus different from everyone else?

Try It

Read John 3:16 out loud and talk about what it teaches about God's love.

Talk to God

Jesus, thank You for loving me and taking the punishment for my sins. Help me understand more about who You are and what You did for me. Amen.

DAY FOUR

THOMAS BELIEVES

Story Passage:

John 20:24-31

Key Verse:

“Because you have seen Me, you have believed.
Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.”
—*John 20:29(NIV)*

Thomas wasn't sure what to believe.

He wanted proof.

Then Jesus appeared and showed Thomas His scars.

Thomas responded,

“My Lord and my God!”

God isn't afraid of our questions.

He isn't upset when we want to understand more.

But eventually every person must decide:

What do I believe about Jesus?

Thomas made his decision.

He believed.

One day, each of us must decide what we believe too.

Think About it

- Why do you think Thomas struggled to believe?
- What do you believe about Jesus?
- Why is faith important?

Try It

Talk with a parent or trusted Christian adult about any questions you have about following Jesus.

Talk to God

Jesus, help me trust You and believe what is true. Amen.

DAY FIVE

HOW CAN I BE SAVED?

Story Passage:

Romans 10:9-13

Key Verse:

"If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,'
and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."
—Romans 10:9(NirV)

God loves you.

But every one of us has sinned.

Our sin separates us from God.

That's why Jesus died on the cross and rose again.

You cannot earn salvation by being good enough.

Salvation is God's gift.

Becoming a Christian isn't about becoming a better kid.

It's about becoming God's child.

When a person turns from sin and puts their trust in Jesus, God forgives their sin and gives them eternal life.

Maybe you've already made that decision.

If so, thank God for saving you.

If not, talk with a parent, pastor, or trusted Christian adult about what it means to follow Jesus.

The most important decision you'll ever make is what you do with Jesus.

Think About it

- What does this verse teach us about salvation?
- Why can't we earn salvation?
- Have you trusted Jesus as your Savior?

Try It

Talk with a parent or trusted Christian adult about what it means to follow Jesus.

Talk to God

Jesus, thank You for loving me and making a way for me to be forgiven. Help me trust You and follow You.
Amen.

CONTINUE THE ADVENTURE

Adventure Progress

- WEEK ONE:** Follow Jesus
- WEEK TWO:** Trust Jesus
- WEEK THREE:** Believe in Jesus
- WEEK FOUR:** Live for Jesus

NEXT WEEK

JESUS MAKES ME NEW

Live for Jesus

We'll discover how Jesus forgives us, changes us from the inside out, and helps us become more like Him every day.



Helping Kids Follow Jesus and Lead Others to Do the Same