

PARENT CORNER

weekly

TODAY: APRIL 12-13

Bible Story: Jesus is Crucified *Matthew 27:11-56*

Big Idea: Jesus loves us.

Focus: Jesus loves us so much He died for our sin

Memory Verse: "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 NlrV*

Bible Story Summary:

Read and meditate on **Matthew 27:11-56**

After Jesus was arrested, He was brought before Pilate, the Roman governor. Jesus was interrogated by religious leaders. Pilate was amazed by Jesus and wanted Him to be set free. He appealed to the people to have Jesus released. The crowd demanded that Jesus be crucified. Even though Jesus had not been found guilty of anything, He was beaten and prepared to go to the cross. Soldiers mocked Jesus, dressed Him in a robe and placed a crown of thorns on His head. They nailed Jesus to a cross, calling Him the King of the Jews. Darkness covered the land, Jesus cried out and died on the cross. The temple curtain tore, and an earthquake shook the ground. Jesus died for us.

He Question: Why was Jesus punished?

Jesus was perfect and never sinned. However, because He loves us so much, Jesus took our place and took the punishment we deserved for our sin.

We Question: Why is it good for us that Jesus took our place?

There is nothing we can do to take care of our sin problem and make right our relationship with God. Because Jesus took our place and took our punishment, we can be forgiven and made right with God so we can live with Him forever.

Me Question: What does God want me to know about Him, and what does this mean for my life?

Kids will be given the opportunity to reflect on the truth they learned about God and respond accordingly.

Meal Time



Find a white bowl and fill it with water. Explain that the water represents us. Then sprinkle some pepper on the water. Explain that the pepper represents all of our sins. Then take some dish soap. Explain that it represents Jesus. Put a few drops of dish soap in the water. The dish soap will attract the pepper in the water. This is similar to Jesus and His love for us. Jesus died on the cross to take away our sins the same way the dish soap attracted all of the pepper.



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WEEK 2



DAY 1

READ *John 3:16 (NlrV)*

With the help of a parent, find and read John 3:16 in your Bible. The verse is written below with some blanks. Instead of writing the words you read above, write your name in each blank space.

"God so loved _____
that He gave His one and only son.
_____ believes in Him
and will not die but
_____ will have eternal
life." *John 3:16*

Now, read it with your name in the blanks. God loves YOU so much that He sent Jesus to die on the cross so that you can have a relationship with Him.

PRACTICE this memory verse as a reminder that Jesus loves you.

DAY 2

READ *1 Peter 1:6-7 (NlrV)*

It isn't always easy to trust God. When something doesn't make sense to us, it's easy for us to believe that God's plan isn't good. But the truth is that God's plan is always good! It has been good since the very beginning.

Grab a parent. Together, do 10 push-ups. Was it easy or hard to do those push-ups? _____

Believing in God's plan is kind of like exercise. Doing things like push-ups, running laps, and doing jumping jacks can be hard to do at the beginning. But the more you practice, the stronger your body gets, and the easier it is to do those exercises. At first, trusting in God's plan might seem hard. But the more we trust God, the easier it becomes to trust Him!

THANK Jesus for loving you so much that He died for your sins

DAY 3

READ *Matthew 27:11-56 (NirV)*

In our Bible story this week, we learned how Jesus was beaten and prepared to go to the cross. During this process, He was dressed in a robe and a crown of thorns was placed on his head. Using His hands and His feet, His body was nailed to the cross. When that occurred, darkness covered the land and an earthquake shook the land. At this time, Jesus died on the cross. He died on the cross because He loves us so much!

There is a curvy line in the space below. Use the curvy line to draw a picture of this week's Bible story.



KNOW that Jesus loves you so much that He died for your sin

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

parent CUE:

We want to let you know that we have an amazing opportunity for you and your child. We are learning the importance of giving (tithing) in UpTown. For many years the kids in UpTown have been caring for children through Compassion International and Forgotten Children Worldwide. We are currently sponsoring a boy named John that lives in Tanzania and a girl named Akeelo that lives in Uganda.

Our support will provide John and Akeelo with:

- Food to combat malnutrition
- Health care and immunizations
- Education and income generating skills
- The Gospel message and spiritual guidance
- The love and support of the church staff

Every week during Studio24 and Clubhouse, your child will have the chance to give an offering to help sponsor John and Akeelo. We pray that you will partner with us in this. Learning to have a heart of generosity will help your child grow to have a heart like Jesus.

DAY 4

READ *"Christ didn't have any sin. But God made Him become sin for us. So, we can be made right with God because of what Christ has done for us." 2 Corinthians 5:21 (NirV)*

When you have a conflict with someone, it can be hard to see things from their point of view. We can be more interested in why that person is wrong, instead of trying to solve the problem. Thankfully, God didn't do that.

God sent Jesus to pay the price for our sins so we could be forgiven. We can have peace with God because of what Jesus has done.

Take some time and talk to God. Thank Him for His amazing plan, and thank Him for sending Jesus to die on the cross for us

PRAY and thank Jesus for loving you so much that He died for your sin

at a GLANCE



Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping

April 26-27	Kindergarten
May 3-4	4th Grade
May 10-11	3rd Grade
May 17-18	2nd Grade



Child's Name: _____