

# PARENT CORNER

## weekly

TODAY: JANUARY 18-19

**Bible Story:** Nicodemus *John 3:1-21*

**Big Idea:** Jesus is fully God and fully man

**Focus:** Jesus gives eternal life

**Memory Verse:** The Word became a human being. He made his home with us. We have seen his glory. *John 1:14a (NirV)*

### Bible Story Summary:

**Read and meditate on John 3:1-21**

This month, all our stories reveal how Jesus is both God and man. Jesus grew up as a human kid learning about God but also amazing everyone with His godly wisdom. Jesus faced temptations, but He resisted them and proved His divine strength and authority. Jesus explained to Nicodemus that to have eternal life, Nicodemus needed to believe in Him as God's Son. Jesus forgave sins and healed a paralyzed man, demonstrating His divine power and authority, while also showing His compassion and care as a human.

Today we learn that Nicodemus, a Pharisee, came to Jesus with questions. Nicodemus acknowledged Jesus as a teacher from God. Jesus told him about being "born again" spiritually, not physically. Nicodemus thought good deeds were enough. Jesus explained that one needed to believe in Him. He shared that God offered eternal life through His Son.

#### He Question: How is Jesus able to give us eternal life?

Because He was fully man, Jesus could take the punishment for our sin by dying on the cross. Because He was fully God, Jesus was the perfect sacrifice and defeated death, rising from the dead.

#### We Question: How can we have eternal life?

God offers His salvation as a free gift from His grace. If we believe in Jesus and trust Him alone for forgiveness of our sins, we can have eternal life.

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

Give your kid the opportunity to reflect on the truth they learned about God and respond accordingly.



Ask your child if you can give them a temporary tattoo. If they agree, draw a heart or cross on your child's hand and tell them that this is a visual reminder that Jesus gives them eternal life.

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# WEEK 3

# God TIME

# DAY 1

**READ** "The Word became a human being. He made His home with us. We have seen his glory." *John 1:14a (NirV)*

John 1:14a is our memory verse for this month. Split up this memory verse into four sections and assign each section an exercise or movement to go with it. For example, "The Word became a human being," could be jumping jacks. Then, as you practice the verse, do those exercises or movements that go with it! Write what you chose to do beside the verse sections below:

"The Word became a human being." \_\_\_\_\_

"He made his home with us." \_\_\_\_\_

"We have seen his glory." \_\_\_\_\_

"John 1:14a" \_\_\_\_\_

Memorizing this verse will help you to remember that Jesus is fully God and fully man.

**PRACTICE** this memory verse as a reminder that Jesus is fully God and fully man

# DAY 2

**READ** "Those who the Lord has saved will return to their land. They will sing as they enter the city of Zion. Joy that lasts forever will be like beautiful crowns on their heads. They will be filled with gladness and joy. Sorrow and sighing will be gone." *Isaiah 41:10 (NirV)*

What are some things that give you a lot of joy? Write those things on the lines below (examples: friends, sports team, family, certain food, etc.) Put a star next to the things that give you the most joy!

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Believe it or not, following Jesus can give you more joy than all these things combined. That may be hard to imagine, because we're only experiencing Jesus on this side of heaven. But one day, when we are with Him forever, all these things will pale in comparison to being with Jesus.

**THANK** God for the gift of Jesus and the joy of spending eternity in Heaven

# DAY 3

**READ** *Matthew 28:18-20*

When Jesus came to earth, He had a very specific mission. Jesus came to make a way for everyone to have a relationship with God. Jesus died on the cross and rose again to prove that nothing, not even death, could separate us from God. After Jesus finished that work on earth, it was time for Him to return to heaven. But before He left, Jesus made a promise to be with us. It's a promise He kept, just like every promise He's ever made. We can put our trust in Him, every day.

Find a wide rubber band or cut out a strip of paper. Write the letters "J G E L" on the rubber band or strip of paper. This stands for "Jesus Gives Eternal Life". Put the rubber band, or wrap the paper strip, around your wrist and wear it all day as a reminder that Jesus Gives Eternal Life.

What do the following letters mean?

J \_\_\_\_\_  
G \_\_\_\_\_  
E \_\_\_\_\_  
L \_\_\_\_\_

**KNOW** that Jesus gives eternal life

## HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Return for 5 Bible Bucks!**

## parent CUE:

If you are looking for a way to serve, we have several serving opportunities in KidCity. These are a few of the ways you can serve in KidCity:

- **Serving as a Small Group Leader in the TinyTown, MidTown, or UpTown classrooms**
- **Checking kids in and greeting families at Guest Services**
- **Be part of keeping kids safe by serving on our security team**
- **Acting out the Bible story as a Storyteller**

For your convenience, we have provided a QR code for you. Scan this QR code and it will take you to a link to fill out our volunteer application.



# DAY 4

**READ** *"God began a good work in you. And I am sure that He will carry it on until it is completed. That will be on the day Christ Jesus returns." Philippians 1:6 (NIRV)*

God is with you. He's with you when you get it right and when you get it wrong. And what's even better, God will finish what He's started. The "good work" this verse talks about is the work of making you more and more like Jesus. We will fail and be forgiven but with every mistake, we learn. And as we learn, we realize the good work God is doing in us to change the world around us.

Insert the missing words in the prayer below. Then take a moment to pray the prayer asking that God shows you how to be more like Jesus.

**Missing words: Amen, You, God, Jesus, learn**

Dear God, I love \_\_\_\_\_. Show me what you want me to \_\_\_\_\_ today so I can be more and more like \_\_\_\_\_. I love you, \_\_\_\_\_. In Jesus' name I pray, \_\_\_\_\_."

**PRAY** that God shows you how to be more like Jesus

## at a GLANCE



### Bibles N Bucks Shopping:

|                |                     |
|----------------|---------------------|
| January 25-26  | <b>2nd Grade</b>    |
| February 1-2   | <b>1st Grade</b>    |
| February 8-9   | <b>Kindergarten</b> |
| February 15-16 | <b>4th Grade</b>    |
| February 22-23 | <b>3rd Grade</b>    |



Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_