

<u>Do You Have Jesus or Not? – Signs of Life</u> April 2, 2023

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If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son. **1 John 5:9 NKJV**

He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. **1 John 5:10 NKJV**

And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. 1 John 5:11 NKJV

Eternal life is ONLY found in the SON

He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. **1 John 5:12 NKJV**

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may *continue to* believe in the name of the Son of God. **1 John 5:13 NKJV**

You can KNOW you have eternal life in the SON

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly. **John 10:10 NKJV**

There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. **Romans 8:1 NKJV**

There is an enemy against the SON

Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. 1 John 2:3 NKJV

Do you have Jesus or NOT?

This Week's New Testament+ reading plan:

- 1. Mark 2
- 2. Mark 3
- 3. Mark 4
- 4. Mark 5
- 5. Mark 6
- 6. 1 Samuel 21
- 7. Prayer & Reflection

NURSERY

JESUS IS ALIVE!

THE FIRST EASTER



Springtime for toddlers is an exciting time to joyfully discover and explore! As you explore, take this opportunity to share with your kids the joyous fact that Jesus is alive! We'll be spending the next several weeks learning all about Jesus' resurrection and exploring what the word "alive" means!

Memory Verse: Jesus is alive. Matthew 28:6 (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Wants Us to Know That He Is Alive

Parent Connect: Today we used empty eggs to remind us of the Jesus' empty tomb. Scan the QR code or a fun garden activity to remind us that the tomb was empty and Jesus wants us to know that He is alive!

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HE REALLY IS ALIVE!



EASTER AND THE EARLY CHURCH

What an exciting season! From Palm Sunday to the death and resurrection of Jesus to the start of the church at Pentecost we see the wonderful plan of God unfold. Thank you Jesus that you died and rose again so we can be forever friends again!

Memory Verse: For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16

Heart of the Lesson: Palm Sunday – Jesus is our servant king John 13

Parent Connect: Today we learned how Jesus is a servant king! Let your kids help throughout the day; making dinner, set the table, cleaning up. Reminding them of the ways that Jesus served others.

ELEMENTARY

GAME ON!



HOW TO SAY "SORRY", NO TO GREED, AND WHAT DO WHEN THINGS GET CRAZY!

You can learn a lot about a person by playing a board game. In our series, Game On, we will look at different board games that reflect Jesus' teachings. Things like how to say sorry, not be greedy, and what to do when life gets crazy. Then we will act out to learn what is Palm Sunday and discover the clues that point to Jesus' Resurrection.

Memory Verse: "For no one can ever be made right with God by doing what the law commands. The law simply shows us how sinful we are." - Romans 3:20

Heart of the Lesson: Palm Sunday, Jesus is King! - Matthew 21:1-11, 1 John 5:9-13

Parent Connect: Think back to watching the Chiefs parade and how everyone attending interacted with the football team. People were going crazy. Do you think Jesus would've gotten the same response if the parade was for Him? Read Matthew 21:1-11 and discuss.

HOW DO I KNOW I HAVE JESUS AND HELP OTHERS KNOW JESUS?



The main theme of the book of 1 John is the word "KNOW". In this series, we will be following the adults series "Signs of Life" to understand how we can KNOW that we have Jesus, and help others KNOW Him too!

Memory Verse: I have written this to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know you have eternal life. 1 John 5:13

Heart of the Lesson: Do you know you have Jesus? - 1 John 5:9-13

Parent Connect: Pray and thank Jesus for giving us the free gift of eternal life. Share the Good News with at least one person this week!

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

SIGNS OF LIFE

How do you know you're in God's forever family?



When we choose to follow Jesus, He saves us from our sins and He invites us to be a part of God's forever family! But it can be tempting to doubt if we truly are saved by Jesus and part of His family. How can we know for sure? This series, we are learning how we can be confident we are in God's forever family!

Memory Verse: 1 John 5:13 (NIRV) I'm writing these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God. I'm writing so you will know that you have eternal life.

Heart of the Lesson: Do you have Jesus or not? (1 John 5:9-13)

Parent Connect:

- Where can we find true life?
- Does God expect us to be perfect?
- What is a command that you can be obedient to this week?
- Is there a friend you can invite to Easter Sunday?