



# APRIL 2017



#### BASIC TRUTH

JESUS WANTS TO BE MY FRIEND FOREVER.

#### KEY QUESTION

WHO IS THE BEST?

#### **BOTTOM LINE**

**JESUS IS THE BEST!** 

#### MEMORY VERSE

"God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son." John 3:16, GNT



# **SMALL TALK**

# WEEK 1

JOHN 13:3-17

Jesus demonstrates how to serve one another by washing the disciples' feet.

## WEEK 2

MATTHEW 21:1-16

The people praise Jesus while spreading their coats and palm branches on the road as He enters Jerusalem for the Passover.

#### WEEK 3

MATTHEW 26:20-30; 27:40-50; 28:1-7

Jesus has the Last Supper with the disciples, later dies on a cross and is buried in a tomb. Three days later, Jesus comes back, just like He promised! Jesus is alive!

# WEEK 4

MATTHEW 16:17-18

Jesus tells Peter that He will use him to build the Church and it will do great things.

# WEEK 5

MATTHEW 28:19-20

Jesus tells His disciples to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them everything He has commanded them.







#### **MORNING TIME**

This month let your child wake up to, "Jesus is alive and He's our friend forever! Yay, Jesus!"



## **CAR TIME**

Tell your child to count the people he sees out the window as you drive. Lead him in saying, "One, two, God

loves you!" each time he sees two people. It's a fun way to remember that God loves the world.



## **BATH TIME**

Cut a heart shape out of a new pink kitchen sponge and add it to bath time this week. Tell your child

that a heart reminds us of love. When Jesus died and went away (cover the heart sponge up with a wash cloth) everyone was very sad. But then Jesus came back (uncover the sponge) just like He promised! Jesus went away (cover sponge) and then He came back (uncover sponge)! (Repeat several times.)



## **CUDDLE TIME**

Cuddle up with your child and pray, "Dear God, thank you for the Church. We love being a part of a group of

people who love you and help one another. I pray that [child's name] and I will help others know that Jesus is the best so they can be a part of the Church too. Help us to do our part in the Church to love others and do great things. We love You, God! In Jesus' name we pray, amen."



## **PLAY TIME**

Go to your local discount store and buy some 4x6 picture frames, 4x6 unruled index cards, and small

spring-themed stickers. Write this month's Bible verse on the cards and let your child use crayons and stickers to decorate them. Once your child is done decorating, place the cards in picture frames and help her deliver them to her friends. It's a special way to tell our friends that Jesus is the best!



"J-E-S-U-S! We love Jesus. He's the best!" That's what your child will be hearing this month. Jesus is the BEST. He is. Thousands of years ago, Jesus died for each and every one of us. That means He died for you, too. In the

midst of all the fun that revolves around Easter, try to take some time to read the Easter story. I'm not talking about the board book version you read to your child (although that is a good one). I mean opening your Bible to Matthew 26 and reading through Matthew 28. Dive into the Word and read about how much Jesus loves you.

Jesus loves you, He died for you, He came back just like He said He would, AND He wants to be your friend forever. He wants to be your friend and your child's friend. That's what we're celebrating this month. That's why we'll be chanting all month long: "J-E-S-U-S! We love Jesus. He's the best!"

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