Journey Kids Club

JKTV Episode 34



This episode's Bible story is from Luke 24:49-53. The Big Idea is: When Jesus returned to heaven, the story didn't end. This is an exciting and hard-to-

understand part of God's big story. Why did Jesus go

back to heaven? Why didn't he stay? And how are we a part of his story? As you and your child talk about this story, remember that the story isn't over. We are still living out God's story for telling people the Good News about Jesus.

#### Activity 1: Keep the story going

Talk about it:

- Have you ever read a book, watched a TV show, or seen a movie and wished that it hadn't ended? Which book, show, or movie was it?
- If you could become a new character in that story, what would you do?

Instructions:

- Sit together in a circle on the floor.
- Explain that stories have a beginning, a middle, and an end. In this activity, you will provide the beginning. Your child will make up the rest.
- Read aloud one of the following beginnings:
  - I was on my way to church when...
  - I was outdoors at recess when I saw someone who needed help...
  - My dad told me to wash the dog, so I...
  - My best friend just arrived at my house when...
- If you have more people playing, ask the person to the right to carry on with telling the story. Otherwise, take turns telling parts of the story.
- Say the Big Idea together: When Jesus returned to heaven, the story didn't end!

<u>Activity 2:</u> Memory Verse Activity "'Father, may your name be honoured. May your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we also forgive everyone who sins against us. Keep us from falling into sin when we are tempted." | Luke 11:2-4 (NIRV)

Supplies: (provided) Key Verse activity cards, (from home) plastic bags

*Before the Activity*: Create a starting line on the floor at one end of your space. Cut out the parts of the verse into cards and place them at the opposite end of your space.

Instructions:

- If you have more people playing, they can take turns starting at the beginning line. Ask your child to stand at the starting line
- Instruct them to put the plastic bags on their hands (like gloves) and "duck walk" (walking while squatting) to the stack of cards.

# He has saved us from

# the kingdom of darkness.

# He has brought us into the

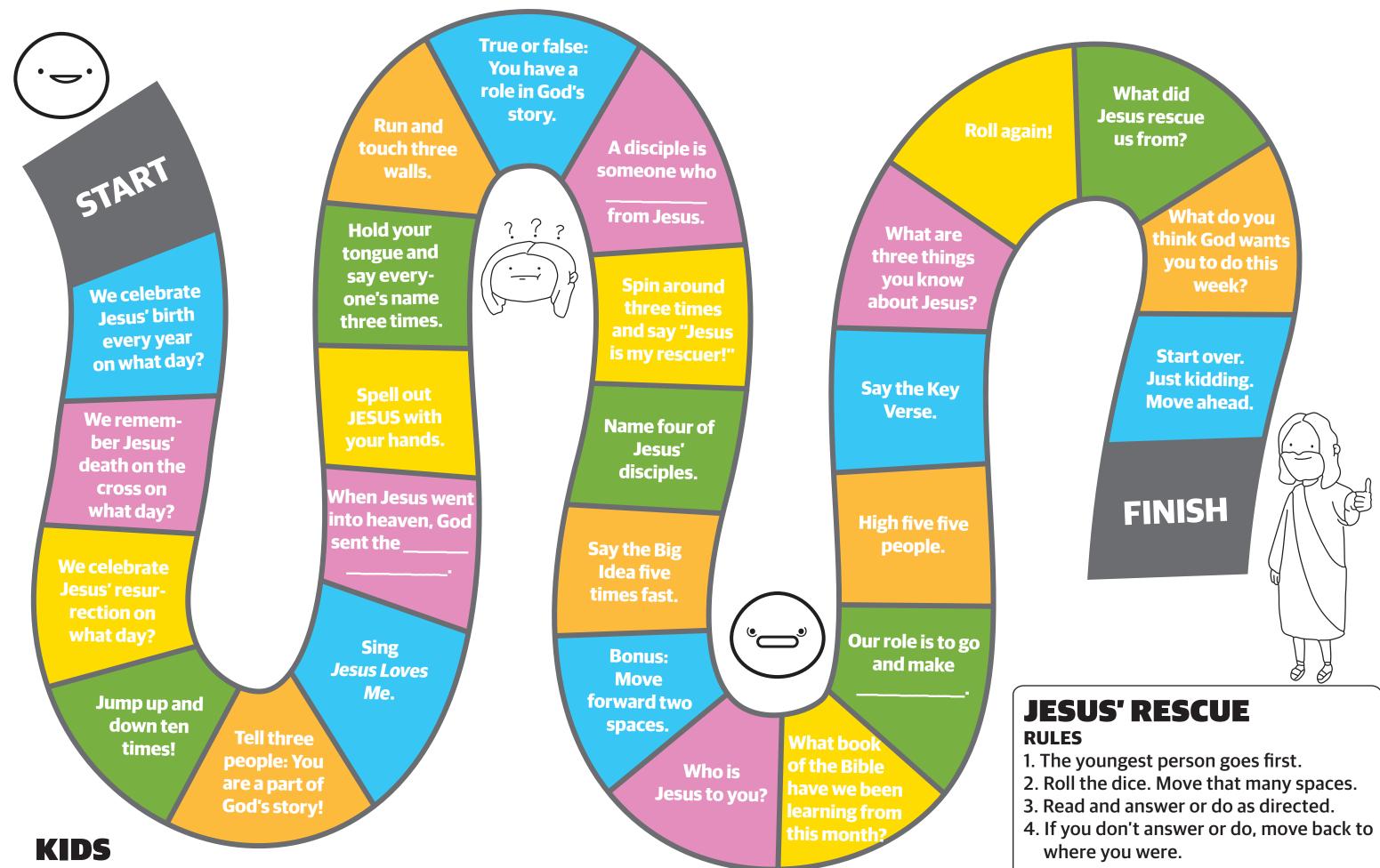
# kingdom of the Son he loves.

# Because of what the Son has done,

## we have been set free.

### **Because of him,**

# all our sins have been forgiven. Colossians 1:13-14



- While wearing the plastic bags, they must pick up one card and bring it back to the beginning.
- Continue until all the cards have been retrieved.
- Then work together to put the verse in order and read it together.
- Repeat the game if there's time and interest.

### Activity 3: It's Game Time!

*Supplies*: (provided) Game board, (from home) Dice, Bible/Bible app, Markers or pencil crayons, (optional) Craft stick, Binder clips (or game piece)

Instructions:

- Give everyone a craft stick and a binder clip (or game piece, if you are not using the other items).
- If using the craft stick, ask your child to colour their craft stick to look like them.
- Demonstrate how to make the craft stick stand up using the clip as a base. Explain that these are tokens for the board game.
- Have the youngest person in each group go first. They will roll the die and move their token the number of spaces indicated. When they land, they should follow the instructions on the board or answer the question.
- Players will continue taking turns until someone wins.

### Activity 4: Pray together

*Parent Tip*: With children, it may help them pray using their imagination. You can ask them to picture the person they are praying for and then picture Jesus touching their head as they pray for them

- Talk about some people you and your child know who don't know about Jesus.
- Pray for these people together
- Sample prayer. Dear Jesus, I want to pray for \_\_\_\_\_ today. They don't know about you/aren't following you right now. Please help them to know that you love them and died for them. Amen.