

Journey Kids Club

JKTV Episode 37



This episode's Bible story is from Acts 4:23-31. The Big Idea is: **I can pray with my church.** The followers of Jesus in Acts needed a lot of wisdom and help to do what Jesus asked them to. Prayer was a key part of what they did together, asking God to help them continue even when it was hard. We can pray like they did!

Activity 1: Prayer Scenarios

Supplies: (provided) prayer scenarios, (from home) bag or bowl, scissors

Before Activity: Cut out the scenarios and place in a bowl or bag to draw from

Parent Tip: Right now it is challenging to pray with our church but we can still do it! Asking others in your church family what they would like prayer for and asking them to pray for you is one way you can do this.

Talk about it:

- When do you usually pray? (i.e. Bedtime? Mealtime? other?)
- Who do you usually pray with?
- Who are some people you could be praying with?
- Say the Big Idea together: **I can pray with my church!**

Instructions:

- Take turns pulling a scenario from the bag/bowl and talk about how you can pray in that situation
 - What would you ask God for in that scenario?
 - Who could you pray with about that?
- Say the Big Idea together: **I can pray with my church!**

Activity 2: Memory Verse Activity “When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone! The new is here!” 2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIRV)

- Read the memory verse together.
- Repeat the verse together using different kinds of voices
 - Use a robot voice
 - Use an opera voice
 - Use a rap voice
 - Use an underwater voice
- See how many of these ways you can say it without looking at the page!

Prayer Scenarios: Cut out and place in a bag or bowl

You are at school and find out that one of your friends doesn't bring a lunch to school because they don't have enough food at home.

You hear that a family at church has a family member who is really sick.

One of your friends has a grandparent who is in the hospital.

You have lots of homework to do and you really don't want to do it.

You find out that your best friend is moving to another city.

You hear about missionaries who are helping churches in another country feed the poor.

Bible Search Activity Sheet

Look up Acts 4 and search through this chapter to find the answers:

1. Why were Peter and John in trouble? (vs 1-3)
2. How long were they in jail? (vs 3)
3. How many new Christians were there at this time? (vs 4)
4. Who do Peter and John keep talking about? (vs 10-11)
5. Why was the council amazed at Peter and John? (vs 13)
6. What were Peter and John commanded to do by the council? (vs 18)
7. Will Peter and John follow those orders? Why/why not? (vs 19-20)
8. What did the church do? (vs 24)
9. What did the church ask for? (vs 29-30)
10. What did God do? (vs 31)

Activity 3: Look It Up

Supplies: (provided) Bible search activity sheet, (from home) Bible or Bible app, pen/pencil

Instructions:

- Look up today's Bible story in Acts 4.
- Look through the activity sheet and answer the questions from the story.
- Say the Big Idea together: **I can pray with my church!**

Activity 4: Pray walk

Parent Tip: Prayer can become a regular habit wherever you are. Showing your child that they can pray while walking or in different places can remind them that God will hear them wherever they are and they can always talk with him.

- Plan a time to walk around your neighborhood, church, school or a park/playground.
- Before going out, talk about some different things you can pray for as you are on your walk.
- Go on your walk and pray in a conversational way out loud (eyes open) if you feel comfortable, or you can encourage your child to pray in their heart as you go around.
- Afterward, ask your child how they felt praying on the walk. Did they think of new things to pray for? Did they feel that God was talking with them during this time? Share any insights or experiences you had as well.