

Journey Kids Club

JKTV Episode 39



This episode's Bible story is from Acts 10-11. The Big Idea is: **I can love others in my church.** We might think the early church didn't have any problems and everyone got along but that's not true. They were still learning what Jesus meant when he sent them to tell others about him. There were racial lines and religious lines that they had not crossed before and had to learn to love the people God loved, even when they didn't always agree with them.

Activity 1: What does this say?

Supplies: (from home) smart device to look up ASL sign words

- Look up some of the following words on an ASL site and teach it to your child:
 - I
 - Love
 - You
 - Jesus
 - Church
- After showing them the sign, ask, what does this mean? Tell them what it means and then get them to practice the word with you several times before trying another word.
- If they are getting the hang of it, try making a simple sentence with the signs and say it together.
- Say the Big Idea together: **I can love others in 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)

Supplies: (from home) small prize item like a sticker, new pencil, or food item

- Ask your child if they can say the verse without any help or prompts. They can use actions or sing it, if that helps.
- If they are unable to do it on their own, give them some prompts.
- Give them the prize.

Activity 3: Different can be fun too!

Supplies: (from home) Children's Bible story of Peter and Cornelius from a book or rewatch it on JKTV, Colouring sheet, crayons/washable markers, items from around the house or yard as per game instructions

Parent Tip: Choose one of the following games from different countries to learn and play together. Or, you may want to play all of them!

Instructions:

- Read or re-watch the story together



- Ask your child to colour the picture of Peter and Cornelius, ask if they can tell you any parts of the story.
- It's game time! Choose one of the following games that children play around the world:

From Sumatra: Semut, Orang, Gajah (The large Indonesian island is home to the Sumatran elephant, which has made its way into this popular kids game, similar to the American "Rock, Paper, Scissors." Children play *Semut, Orang, Gajah* to determine the first player in a game or simply for fun.)

Players: Two; ages 3 and up

How to Play: Players pump their fist up and down to the count of three. On four, they straighten their arm and give one of three signs: Pinky out is "ant" (*semut*), pointer finger out is "man" (*orang*), and thumb out is "elephant" (*gajah*). The elephant beats man because it is stronger; man defeats the ant because he can step on it and squash it. And the ant? It can crawl into the elephant's ear, bite him, and drive him crazy, so the ant beats the elephant. If players make the same signs, they go again. Two out of three wins.

Australia: Skippyroo Kangaroo (Australia is both a country and a continent. It's a vast, mysterious, and diverse land filled with wonderfully wacky wildlife like the kangaroo, which gives this popular kids game its name.)

Players: As many as 25 or as few as six; ages 3 and up (You can modify this for just two to three children by play the game over and over with the players you have or setting up stuffies as the other 'players')

How to Play: This game is played in many Australian [preschools and kindergartens](#) to help teach children their classmates' names as well as good listening skills. Kids sit in a circle and an adult asks one child to go into the middle—she is the first Skippyroo, the kangaroo. Skippyroo crouches forward on the floor with her eyes closed while the kids in the circle chant: "Skippyroo, kangaroo, dozing in the midday sun, comes a hunter, run, run, run." At this stage an adult points to a child sitting in the circle, who then touches Skippyroo's shoulder and says, "Guess who's caught you just for fun?" and waits. Skippyroo tries to name the owner of the voice and if she guesses correctly, swaps places. The game begins again and continues until all the kids have had a chance to be Skippyroo.

Activity 4: Sing and Dance together

Supplies: Look up the song, "God Loves Us All" on YouTube

- Watch the children using sign language to talk, explain that this is how some people talk because they can't speak with their mouth or hear with their ears - so they talk with their hands and hear with their eyes!
- Dance to the song together.