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GETTING STARTED

Discipleship is a daily journey, and this resource helps teachers and parents team up in the big mission of training lifelong Apostolic disciples. Daily activities equip families to dig into God's Word all week long!

TEACHERS

This resource partners you with families to provide parents and guardians with resources to lead in discipleship. Each week you will have four pages of devotional material and in-class activities to send home with students at the conclusion of class.

PARENTS & GUARDIANS

We recognize you are the primary disciplers of your child. This resource equips you to lead in that process with devotional tools aligned with what is taught at church. Each week your child will bring home materials for interacting with God's Word at home each day.

STEP ONE

Send home the memory posters for families to review frequently.



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Each month post the series memory verse somewhere in your home where your family can review it frequently.

STEP TWO

Each week use the activity page for fun in class before sending it home with the student.



STEP TWO

Each week follow the daily prompts to guide your child in interacting with God's Word.

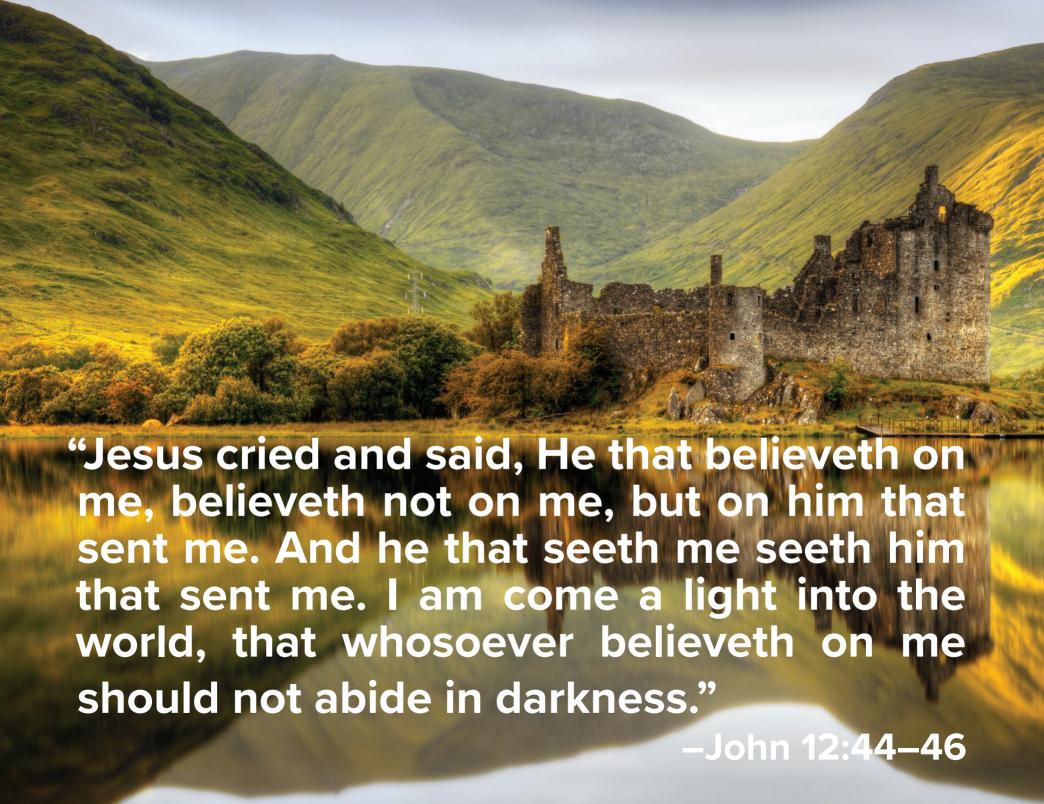
STEP THREE

Each week send home the devotional and activity page for families to use.



STEP THREE

Review your child's work from the activity page, and use it as a springboard to discuss the week's Bible focus.





LAZARUS, COME FORTH

Monday





Tuesday



Read: Read John 11:1-16.

1–3: What was wrong with Lazarus? Why do you think Marv and Martha sent for Jesus?

4-6: How did Jesus respond? Did He love them? Why did He wait?

6-7: How long did Jesus wait before beginning His journey to see Lazarus?

12-13: What did the disciples think Jesus meant? What did He really mean?

11: How did Jesus describe Lazarus's condition?

8: Why didn't the disciples want Jesus to return to Lazarus's hometown of Bethany?

14-15: What do vou think Jesus meant by His statement in these verses?

16: Were any disciples ready to follow Jesus into danger? Who?

• When bad things happen, how should we respond?

• Has God ever responded to your problems in a way that surprised you?

Read: John 11:17-37.

17: When Jesus arrived in Bethany, how long had Lazarus been dead?

21-24: How did Martha greet Jesus? What did she expect Jesus to do?

25-27: What did Jesus call Himself? What did He mean by this? Did Martha understand?

32: Compare and contrast Mary's greeting in verse 32 and Martha's greeting in verses 21-22.

33-35: How did Jesus respond when he saw Mary and the others mourning over Lazarus?

35: Why do you think Jesus cried?

36–37: How did the people respond when they saw Jesus crying?

- When our situations don't match up with what we read in God's Word. is it easy to have faith? Why or why not?
- How does it make you feel to know God cries with us, even when He knows what He is about to do?
- For a deeper understanding of life after death, read I Thessalonians 4:13-18.

TRUTH ABOUT GOD: Jesus is the resurrection and the life.

TRUTH FOR MY LIFE:

I will live forever because Jesus gives me eternal life.

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Wednesday



Read: John 11:38-44.

39: What did Jesus 39: How did Martha **40:** How did Jesus command them to respond? respond to Martha's qo? unbelief? What did He bring to remembrance? (See verse 25.) 44: When Lazarus came out, what did he look like? **43:** What did Jesus **41–42:** As Jesus command? was praving, what did His comments mean in these verses? 44: After Lazarus came out, what was Jesus' next command?

- Do you believe Jesus has power over death? How should this belief impact the way we live?
- Do you have any "graveclothes" that need to be removed since Jesus has breathed new life into you?
- For a better understanding of our resurrection, read I Corinthians 15:50-58.

Thursday



Read: John 11:45-57.

45: How did most onlookers respond to Lazarus's miraculous resurrection?

47: Once the Pharisees gathered, what question did they ask? Did they believe Jesus could do miracles?

48: Why did they want to stop Jesus? Whom did they fear more than God?

49: Who was Caiaphas?

49–52: What did Caiaphas prophesy about Jesus to the group of Pharisees? What is a prophecy?

53: How did the Pharisees respond to Caiaphas's prophecy?

55–57: As people prepared for the Passover in Jerusalem, what were the Pharisees' orders?

- Can you think of any people or groups today who are trying to stop Christianity like the Pharisees did?
- How does it make you feel to know God would use the Pharisees' evil plot to benefit the world and to bring glory to Himself? Does anything surprise God?

Friday



- In your opinion, what is the most important verse in John 11:1-57?
- What are some things that surprised you in this Bible story?
- How should our understanding of this story impact the way we feel about death?
- How should it impact the way we live?
- Do you believe Jesus will literally resurrect your body so you can live with Him eternally?
- To inherit eternal life from Jesus, what do you need to know and do?