

<u> April 25/26, 2020 – Week 4</u>

Bible Story Focus: Jesus wants me to tell others He is alive. Great Commission • *Matthew 28:19-20* Memory Verse: "I am alive for ever and ever!" Revelation 1:18, NIV Key Question: Who is alive?

Bottom Line: Jesus is alive.

Basic Truth: Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

Make It Fun

Everywhere

• What You Need: Inflatable globe beach ball



Great Commission • Matthew 28:19-20

- What You Do: Guide the children to sit in front of you. Hold the globe where the children can see it. Ask a child to point to an area on the globe. Identify the country the child points to. Say, "We can tell people in [China] that Jesus is alive." Repeat the activity several times.
- What You Say: "We are going to talk about where we can tell everyone that Jesus is alive in our Bible story today! We can tell everyone all around the world! Let's pick a country around the world where we can tell people that Jesus is alive. (Do activity.) You found lots of places around the world! Our Bible story today is about how we can tell everyone <u>everywhere</u> that Jesus is alive!"

Make It True

Worship

• What You Need: Worship song "He's Alive Oh Yeah."

Bible Story

- LEADER: "Hi, friends! All month long we have been celebrating Easter and how Jesus is alive! I have another super special true story from the Bible to tell you today, but I need your help. Can you be my story helpers? (*Pause.*) Great! Like I said, today's true story comes from the Bible. Our story is about Jesus and His friends. Jesus died and came back, just like He said He would. Jesus' friends knew that Jesus is alive because they saw Him and talked with Him and even ate breakfast with Him on the beach! One day, Jesus told His friends to meet Him on a mountain. Okay, story helpers. I want everyone to stand up and pretend you are climbing a mountain like this. (*Demonstrate.*) Climb, climb, climb to the top of the mountain! Whew! We made it! Thank you, story helpers! You can sit down now. Jesus' friends did what He said and they met Him on a mountain. When they were on the mountain together, Jesus told His friends He had a very important job for them to do. It's an important job He wants US to do, too. Do you want to know what it is? Jesus said our important job is to tell EVERYONE EVERYWHERE that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him! Whoa! That is a very important job! Do you think we can do it? Sure we can! Stand up, story helpers, and let's say that together. Just say what I say and do what I do."
- CHILDREN and LEADER: "Go and tell EVERYONE (hold arms out straight in front of you, palms up, and bring them back to holding them up on each side of you) EVERYWHERE (raise both arms straight up overhead and down on each side like making a rainbow in the air) that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him!"
- LEADER: "You're doing great, story helpers! Let's do that together again!"



- CHILDREN and LEADER: "Go and tell EVERYONE EVERYWHERE that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him!" (*Repeat Motions.*)
- LEADER: "Yay! You did it! Now look at a friend beside you, and let's say it again."
- CHILDREN and LEADER: "Go and tell EVERYONE EVERYWHERE that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him!" (*Repeat Motions.*)
- **LEADER:** "Great job, everyone! You can sit down. That is the important job that Jesus told His friends on the mountain to do, AND He is telling us to do today. Jesus wants us to go and tell EVERYONE EVERYWHERE that **Jesus is alive** and we can follow Him! **Who is alive?**"
- CHILDREN and LEADER: "Jesus is alive!"
- **LEADER:** "Thank you for being such great story helpers today. Now it's time to close our eyes and talk to God."

PRAYER

• LEADER: "Dear God, we want to do the important job Jesus gave us and tell everyone everywhere that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him. Please help us do this very important job so everyone will know how much Jesus loves them and that He wants to be their friend forever. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

Make It Stick

Tell Others

- What You Need: "Jesus wants me to tell others" Activity Page, blue and green tissue paper squares, glue, and crayons
- What You Do: Guide kids to glue tissue paper on the globe and color the picture.
- What You Say: "Today we learned how Jesus wants us to tell other people that He is alive. Look at your paper. We have a globe picture that reminds me of earlier when we found places all around the world to tell others about Jesus. Let's add blue and green tissue paper to our world to remind us of our bible story. (*Pause.*) Now let's color our picture. Jesus wants us to go and tell EVERYONE EVERYWHERE that Jesus is alive and we can follow Him! We have such an important job. Who is alive? Jesus is alive."

<u>Dismissal</u>

Go Tell

- What You Need: "Tell It" Activity Page, and crayons
- What You Do: Guide kids to do the line tangle and color their papers.
- What You Say: "Come sit down with me. Today we heard how Jesus wants us to tell other people that He is alive. Look at your paper. Tell me what you see in the pictures. (Pause.) I see a playground. You can tell people that Jesus is alive at the playground. Follow the line to the playground. (Pause.) (Repeat these same instructions with the grocery store, dentist, and the post office.) You can tell others that Jesus is alive everywhere you go. In today's story Jesus told His friends, the disciples, to meet Him on the mountain. Jesus told the disciples He had an important job for them to do. It's an important job He wants us to do, too. Jesus said our important job is to tell everyone everywhere that He is alive and we can follow Him! Who is alive? Jesus is alive."