

BLOOM



BIBLE STORY FOCUS:

Jesus is alive, and He wants to be our friend forever. What happens after Easter? Jesus' friends are out in a boat and they look to the shore. Guess who they see? Jesus! He's sitting on the beach cooking breakfast. They quickly join Him to eat, talk, and just be with their good friend, Jesus. This story of Jesus being with His friends on the beach helps solidify that Jesus really did come back.

BIBLE STORY

Jesus is alive, and He wants to be our friend forever. Breakfast on the Beach • John 21:1-14

MEMORY VERSE

"I am alive for ever and ever!" Revelation 1:18, NIV

SAY THIS:

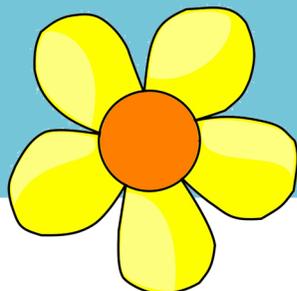
Who is alive?

Jesus is alive!

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BEFORE THE LESSON ACTIVITY: Bean Bag Toss

What You Need: Beanbags (one per every two family members) You could also use stuffed animal friends in lieu of beanbags.

What You Do:

During the Activity: Pair up to find a partner (if you have an odd number – groups of three can work too). Give each group a beanbag. Sit a few feet apart from each other and toss the beanbag back and forth.

What You Say:

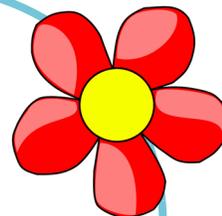
During the Activity: "Let's partner up and then sit down facing our partner. Leave some room between you. We're going each toss a beanbag/stuffed friend back and forth."

After the Activity: "That was so fun! Tossing a beanbag is way more fun together than it would be alone! In our Bible story today, we'll talk about something Jesus did with His friends at the beach. I can't wait!"

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AFTER THE LESSON ACTIVITY: Help Me Serve



What You Need: A paper plate, a playground ball

What You Do:

During the Activity: Set a designated play area for this activity. Show your family the plate and ball and then pair up. Guide the first two people to hold onto the plate as you set the ball on top. Then encourage the pair to carefully walk from one end of the activity area and back while balancing the ball (breakfast) on the plate. If they drop the ball, they may pick it back up and keep going. Once the first pair returns, they will pass the plate and ball off to the next pair to take a turn. Play continues until everyone has taken a turn.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “Let’s pretend this is our breakfast! We need to serve it to our family. We will pair up and then hold onto this plate and walk from here to the end and back again making sure to keep the ball—or breakfast—on the plate. We will have to work together and walk at the same speed. If we drop our breakfast, that’s okay. Just pick it up, put it back on the plate, and keep going. When you return to the starting point, pass the plate to the next pair so everyone can have a turn.”

After the Activity: “What wonderful breakfast servers we are! I love how we worked together! Today we heard about how Jesus prepared breakfast for His friends. Why were they so excited to see Jesus? (Pause.) Yes, because He is alive! Who is alive? Jesus is alive!”

Prayer: “Dear God, we are so thankful [Bottom Line] Jesus is alive and we can be with Him everywhere we go. We can spend time with Jesus at (read the list the children made). We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.”

BONUS MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

Blooming Verse

What You Need: “Blooming Verse” Activity Page, paper, green crayons, pencil, scissors, glue sticks

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Print the “Blooming Verse” and cut a stem and a leaf from paper (you could cut them from green paper or print the template and color them in).

During the Activity: Work on the Activity Page, stem and leaf together. Glue the stem and leaf onto the page under the flower.

After the Activity: Say the Memory Verse together.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: “We are going to make a special flower with our Memory Verse inside!”

During the Activity: “Our flower needs a stem and some decorations in the middle. (Continue activity.) Perfect! Our flower has our Memory Verse inside the petals. Let’s say our Memory Verse together!”

After the Activity: “Awesome! Let’s put this somewhere we can all see it and practice our verse this week. Our Memory Verse tells us that Jesus is alive! Who is alive? Jesus is alive!”

