FAMILY DEVOTION

BROKEN "Broken Hearts"



"Even When My Heart Is Broken, God Can Bring Me Joy!"



"Those who plant in tears will harvest with shouts of joy." - Psalm 126:5

SAY:

Pain is a difficult part of life, and it really can't be avoided. We face hard days and even hard seasons where our hearts can seem be broken in two. Wounds from betrayal, hurtful words, etc. can cause our hearts to feel as if they are broken and might never heal.

READ:

John 11:1-44

DISCUSS:

- Who was the friend of Jesus who died in our Bible Story?
- Who were Lazarus' sisters?
- How long had Lazarus been dead when Jesus arrived?
- What did Jesus do when He saw the pain that Mary and Martha were in?
- What happened when Jesus spoke to Lazarus?

SAY:

Mary and Martha were very brokenhearted when Jesus did not come heal their brother, Lazarus. They felt like Jesus let them down because He was so late in arriving to their home. However, their hearts weren't broken forever. In the end, Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead and turned their sadness into joy!

God can turn our sadness into joy, too! We may face hard times and deal with a broken heart from time to time, but with God's help, we can experience healing and joy!

PRAY:

Pray that God will help your children through their hard times and remind them that "those who plant in tears will harvest with shouts of joy."