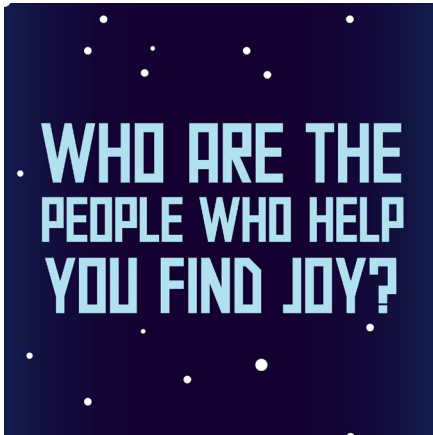


Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



Journaling lines consisting of 18 horizontal dotted lines.



Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

Visit the Parent Cue app (available for iOS and Android) to watch this week's Bible story.

Download it for free at parentcue.org/app.

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

1. You liked:

2. You learned:

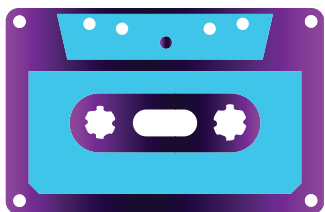
3. You'd like to know:

Day 2

Read John 2:1-11

Did you know that when Jesus turned water into wine for the wedding, this was actually His first miracle? It says a lot about what Jesus thinks is important that He would choose something like a wedding and a party to begin displaying His power to the masses. Jesus showed us how to have joy by turning water into wine so the party could continue!

And not just like any party drink—the wine Jesus made was the best tasting drink of the party. This was unusual, because usually party hosts served the best first. He did something incredible . . . simply so a group of family and friends could continue to celebrate and enjoy each other's company.



Day 3

Grab the following: a sheet of paper, a pencil, a pair of scissors, and a piece of string or yarn, if possible.

Draw the largest circle you can on the sheet of paper and cut it out. Draw a dot in the center of the circle and then cut a line from the outside of the circle to the dot. Fold the two cut sides over on top of each other, wrapping it until it looks like a cone. Cut off any extra paper. Then release the two sides and lay it down flat. If you have access to a printer, print out this template instead: <https://bit.ly/4ctUlvv>.

Next, get some coloring utensils and decorate one side of the paper with things that bring you joy. You can write them or draw them and add any drawings or doodles you'd like. Then re-fold the ends into the cone again. Use tape or staples to secure the cone.

If you have a piece of string or yarn, wrap it from ear to ear going under your chin. Then get an adult to use the pencil to poke a hole on opposite sides of the cone. Thread the piece of string or yarn through the holes and tie them off. Put the cone on your head and the string below your chin. Ta-da! You have a party prayer hat. Every time this month you see your party hat, say a quick prayer, thanking God for sending Jesus, who showed us how to have joy.

Day 4

What summertime activity do you enjoy?

Maybe swimming, eating popsicles, playing outside, or using sidewalk chalk. Whatever it is, invite a friend to share it with you. While you play or swim or eat, tell them the story of the Wedding at Cana, when Jesus performed His first miracle. Talk with each other about how **Jesus showed us how to have joy.**



Day 5

Who are the people who help you find joy?

We all have those people in our lives who help us find joy. . . Maybe they make you laugh when you've had a bad day, or they are great to talk to. Make a list of at least three people in your life who help you find joy.

It's important to let those people know how much you appreciate that they help you find joy. Pick from the ideas below or come up with your own idea. Then put the plan into action and get to thanking the people who help you find joy!

- Write a thank you note
- Make a plate of cookies
- Make a funny meme that also says thank you
- Offer to help with a chore
- Offer your time to do what they want to do
- Make a homemade gift



Start the Party: Celebrate the Good News

Joy is choosing to celebrate what God is doing.



MEMORY VERSE

“Always be joyful because you belong to the Lord. I will say it again. Be joyful!”
Philippians 4:4, NIV

Talk About the Bible Story

Open the Bible together and read John 2:1-11 or watch the video together on the Parent Cue app.

Engagement Questions

- What can sometimes prevent you from feeling joyful?
- Who are the people who help you find joy?**
- What are some examples of ordinary moments where you can have joy?

Faith and Character Activity

Scan the QR code below for activities to guide kids at every phase to trust Jesus in a way that changes how they see God, themselves, and the rest of the world.

Scan the QR code to get started



Prayer

“Dear God, thank You for showing us that even when we have a lot of feelings, the more we focus on joy, the more we can see you at work. Thank You for reminding us of how much You care about us and help us to look for big and small ways to share joy with our friends and family. We love You and we pray these things in Jesus’ name. Amen.”

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ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

As your kid starts their day, tell them one way you’ve seen them be joyful.



Meal Time

At a meal this week, have everyone at the table answer this question: “Who are the people who help you find joy?”



Drive Time

While on the go, ask your kid: “Who is someone you know who seems joyful?”



Bed Time

Pray for each other: “Jesus, thank You for showing us what it looks like to live joyfully. Help us to live like You.”

More Ways to Engage with Your Kid

Faith & Character Activities



Worship Song of the Month



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