

GO!
Join the Story!

GROUP ACTIVITY

This activity can be used in a small group at church or even with your kids at home!

Flipping for Jesus

Set up: For each small group, fill a plastic water bottle 1/2 to 2/3 full of water and replace the cap. Print the "Flipping for Jesus" question cards on 8½ x 11 paper and cut apart.

Say: When God raised Jesus from the dead, it's like He raised us from the dead too. When you follow Jesus, it's like you begin to live a new life. We're going to do an activity right now that will help us think about what a new life with Jesus is like.

Directions: Have your kids sit in a circle. Spread the 8 "New Life" cards face down in the middle of the group. Choose a kid to go first and give them a partially filled water bottle. Have them hold the bottle from its neck/cap area. With a little flick, have them flip the bottle into the middle of the group towards the cards. The goal is to give the bottle enough arc so that it flips over one time and lands upright on its bottom. Give each kid 5 attempts. When someone lands the bottle on its bottom, determine which of the cards the bottle is on or nearest to. Pick that card up and read the question. After discussing, pass the bottle to the next kid and repeat. Continue until all of the kids have had a turn or all of the questions have been asked.

"New Life" Questions:

- When you have a new life with Jesus, you have the promise of eternal life in heaven after you die. What do you think heaven is going to be like?
- When you have a new life with Jesus, you say "no" to sin more often. What sin is the hardest for you to say "no" to?
- When you have a new life with Jesus, you put others before yourself. What are some ways that you can put other people first?
- When you have a new life with Jesus, you spend time with God. What is your favorite way to spend time with God?
- When you have a new life with Jesus, you use your words differently. How can you use your words to be more kind or encouraging?
- When you have a new life with Jesus, you think differently about things. What kind of things should you stop thinking about or start thinking about?
- When you have a new life with Jesus, you act differently. What things might you start or stop doing?
- When you have a new life with Jesus, you forgive others in the same way that Jesus forgave you. Is there anyone that you need to forgive right now?



HOMEGUIDE

Name _____

Date _____

LESSON 8.4

draw it!

Draw a picture of the empty tomb with the stone rolled away.
Write the words, "Jesus is Alive!"



journal it!

Imagine you were with the women who first saw Jesus alive. What would you have done? What would you have said to Jesus? Write about it.

THIS WEEK WE LEARNED

JESUS DIES AND RISES AGAIN

BIG IDEA: Jesus is alive, so we can live a new life in Him.

BIBLE BASIS: Matthew 27:27-28:10

KEY VERSE: "Christ has been raised from the dead by the Father's glory. And like Christ we also can live a new life." Romans 6:4b (NirV)



read it!

Matthew 27:27-28:10. Draw a picture of the story or write to God about your favorite part of the story. Tell Him why you liked it.

pray it!

Write a prayer to Jesus. Tell Him how it makes you feel to know that He is alive and that He has defeated sin.

NEXT WEEK'S LESSON

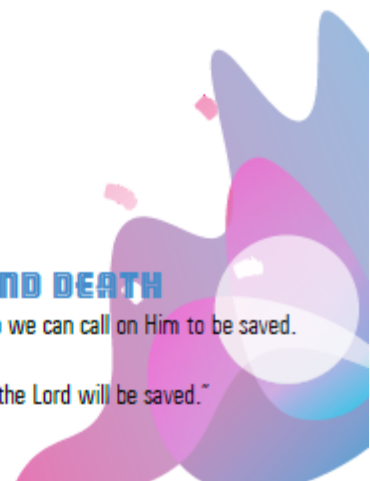
JESUS' POWER OVER SIN AND DEATH

BIG IDEA: Jesus has power over sin and death, so we can call on Him to be saved.

BIBLE BASIS: Luke 24:13-35; Romans 1-10

KEY VERSE: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Romans 10:13 (NirV)



WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU HAVE THE PROMISE OF ETERNAL LIFE IN HEAVEN AFTER YOU DIE. WHAT DO YOU THINK HEAVEN IS GOING TO BE LIKE?



WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU SAY "NO" TO SIN MORE OFTEN. WHAT SIN IS THE HARDEST FOR YOU TO SAY "NO" TO?



WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU PUT OTHERS BEFORE YOURSELF. WHAT ARE SOME WAYS THAT YOU CAN PUT OTHER PEOPLE FIRST?



WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU SPEND TIME WITH GOD. WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE WAY TO SPEND TIME WITH GOD?



WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU USE YOUR WORDS DIFFERENTLY. HOW CAN YOU USE YOUR WORDS TO BE MORE KIND OR ENCOURAGING?



WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU THINK DIFFERENTLY ABOUT THINGS. WHAT KIND OF THINGS SHOULD YOU STOP THINKING ABOUT OR START THINKING ABOUT?

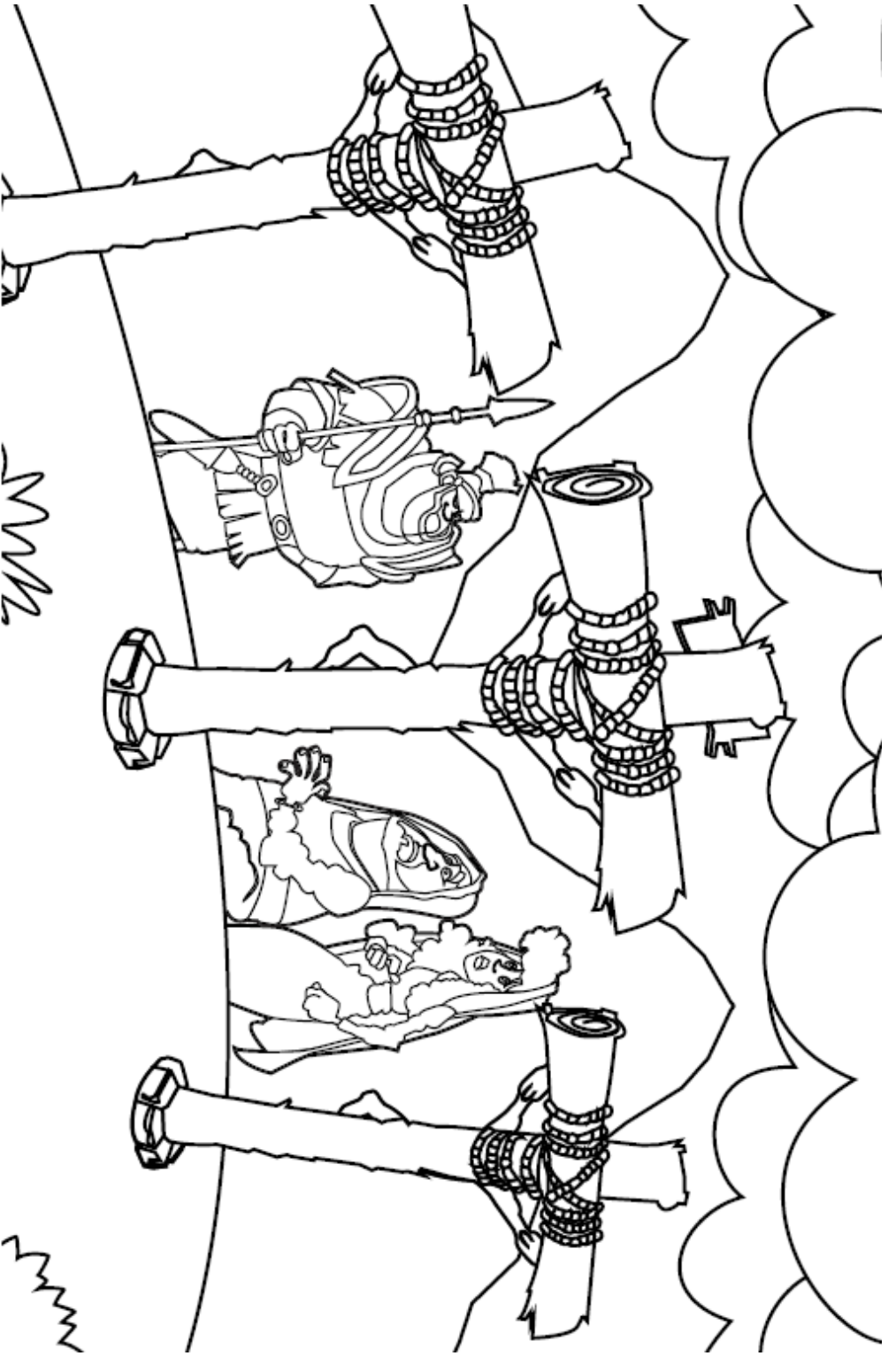


WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU ACT DIFFERENTLY. WHAT THINGS MIGHT YOU START OR STOP DOING?



WHEN YOU HAVE A NEW LIFE WITH JESUS, YOU FORGIVE OTHERS IN THE SAME WAY THAT JESUS FORGAVE YOU. IS THERE ANYONE THAT YOU NEED TO FORGIVE RIGHT NOW?





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And like Christ we also can live a new life.” Romans 6:4b (NIV)

**"AND LIKE CHRIST WE ALSO
CAN LIVE A NEW LIFE."**

ROMANS 6:4B





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DINNERTIME QUESTION

**WHY DO YOU THINK EASTER
IS SUCH GOOD NEWS? HOW
CAN WE CELEBRATE THAT?**