

? BIG QUESTION

Who does Jesus love? Everyone!



MONTHLY Memory Verse

For God so loved
the world that He gave
His only son.
-**JOHN 3:16**

WEEK 1 TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

As Jesus and the disciples got to Jerusalem He told two of the disciples to go into the village and get a baby donkey. They brought the donkey to Jesus and He rode it into the city. People were praising and worshiping Jesus! Jesus is the King of Kings!

WEEK 2 JESUS WASHES THE DISCIPLES' FEET

Jesus and His disciples ate the Passover meal together. During this, he washed each of the disciples' feet as they were dirty from traveling. Jesus showed His disciples how they can serve others. He showed them how to live their lives.

WEEK 3 GAREN OF GETHSEMANE

Jesus and His disciples went to a garden to pray. Jesus told His disciples to stay awake and pray as He went a little further away to pray...but they kept falling asleep! They fell asleep three times! Jesus prayed to God and asked if He could do something else. But He trusted that God's way was the best way. After praying, Jesus told His disciples they were coming to take Him away.

WEEK 4 THIEF ON THE CROSS

Jesus was taken away, the people said He had done bad things but they lied! Jesus was sent to the cross. They hurt Jesus and made fun of Him. Jesus was on the cross next to two bad people. One teased Jesus while the other asked for forgiveness. Then darkness covered the whole land. Jesus cried out and then He died.

WEEK 5 RESURRECTION

After Jesus died on the cross, He was placed in a tomb and a stone was rolled in front of it. Two guards were placed in front of the tomb. Three days later, two women went to see Jesus. There was a great earthquake as an angel of the Lord appeared and rolled away the stone. The women were scared, but the angel told them not to be afraid. The angel said, "I know you are looking for Jesus. He is not here. He has risen, just as He said." The women saw the empty tomb and hurried away to tell the disciples the good news!

LUKE 19:28-40

ACTIVITY: Play with animal toys. Talk about the different noises each animal makes. Share that Jesus rode a donkey into Jerusalem as the people praised Him.

JOHN 13:1-17

ACTIVITY: Write "I can help others" on a piece of a cardstock (1 per child). Then trace kids' shoes on cardstock. Help them decorate with crayons, stamps, or large stickers.

MATTHEW 26:36-58

ACTIVITY: Use a large piece of paper to make a garden mural together. Have kids help draw flowers and trees. Give kids flower stickers to put on the paper. Talk about how Jesus prayed in the garden. Talk about who you can pray for this week.

LUKE 23:32-49

ACTIVITY: Write the memory verse on a piece of paper. Place it inside a sealable sandwich bag with a few drops of paint and seal it tight. Place duct tape over the sealed zipper lock to make sure the bag doesn't open. Then have the kids decorate the verse by squishing the paint inside. Write their name on the outside of the bag and send it home (still sealed).

MATTHEW 28:1-10

ACTIVITY: Have a praise party as you sing and dance, sharing the good news that Jesus is alive! Use bubbles, musical instruments or scarves.