



## Easter/Born Again

*Sunday, April 12, 2020*



PARENT  
TIPS

### Things to keep in mind as you lead discussion with your kids:

- **Validate your children's feelings.** Their feelings are real and it's ok for them to feel fear.
- **Don't feel like you have to have all the answers.** (None of us do!) It's ok to say "I don't know. Let's try to find the answer together." It is also ok to sit in the unknown together.
- **To help your children better grasp the story, try reading it together from their Adventure Bible or another children's Bible. If this is not available, we recommend the [NIV](#) or [NirV](#) versions available online.**

### Bible Page Numbers

John 3 – Adventure Bible pg. 1285

As you prepare for the message today,  
watch the conclusion of the Easter story [HERE](#).

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**SERMON +  
WORSHIP**

## **Watch this week's Sermon and Worship Set**



**LEADING YOUR  
CHILD TO CHRIST**

In order for children to put their faith in Jesus, they need to understand several basic truths:

- Their sin and need for a Savior
- The significance of Jesus' death and resurrection
- God's faithful presence in a believer's life

Your child may be ready to make a decision to follow Jesus if:

- your child is asking questions about God, sin, the Cross, resurrection, becoming a Christian, etc.
- your child exhibits conviction of sin (for example, seems bothered or sad after committing wrong)
- your child recognizes a struggle to "obey" God's commands, and constantly seems to choose wrong

If you feel your child is being drawn to make a profession of faith and follow Jesus, you can use our "Salvation Conversation Guide," provided here, to talk with your child about the basics of the faith and give him or her an opportunity to respond by putting faith in Christ for salvation.

Choose a quiet time to talk through the guide with your child, where there will be fewer interruptions. (However, expect disruptions, as we have an enemy that may try to interfere— Ephesians 6:12.) Ask the questions provided to test your child’s understanding. If she exhibits readiness and understanding, help him or her say a prayer for salvation. (Elements of this prayer include admitting sin, professing faith in Jesus saving death and resurrection, inviting Jesus into the child’s life and thanking God for salvation.) If your child does not yet understand, pray together but do not force a decision. The Holy Spirit will draw the child to salvation in His timing.



## ACTIVITY

### **Activity - Scavenger Hunt**

#### **What You Need:**

- Camera or cell phone
- Be creative (you may need to paint, draw, build, etc.)

#### **What You Do:**

1. Read each clue
2. Look up Bible verse
3. Take a picture of you and your family completing each clue
4. Discuss at each clue the significance of what Jesus did for us.
5. Please tag our social media accounts in your post - All Stars, Safari Land, and The Bridge Bible Church

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## **Clue #1 – Birth: Luke 2:6-12**

*This story begins in a different way. The Baby Jesus was sleeping on hay. He was the Messiah, God's Only Son. His journey began as a quiet, humble one...*

**With your family, find a barn (build with Lincoln logs, find a toy, draw a picture, etc) and take a selfie together beside it.** Think about what it meant that Jesus wasn't born rich or mighty, but as a humble baby, just like us. Talk about why that is important to us as we follow Him.

## **Clue #2– Baptism: Matthew 3:13-17**

*As He grew, he gained respect from God and man. His calling to save us, He began to understand. He declared He came to set the captives free and was baptized by John to begin that journey.*

John the Baptist baptized Jesus in the Jordan River. **See if you can find a stream, a pool, (think out of the box) anything with water for your family selfie.** Take some time to think about what happened when Jesus was baptized, how God spoke from heaven and what John said about Him.

## **Clue #3– Ministry: Matthew 4:18-20**

*Jesus began to teach all the people. They'd come to hear him, no building or steeple. He'd talk in the mountains and down by the sea, and to those who would listen, He'd say "Come, follow me!"*

Jesus went to places where people were to talk to them about God's Love. If Jesus were here today, where do you think he would teach? **Take a picture of where your family is attending Home Church.**

## **Clue #4– Miracles**

*Many people came to Jesus in need, some sick and some lame, some broken indeed. And often Jesus would heal, touch or feed. News of Him spread around Israel with speed.*



There are many stories of Jesus' miracles in the Bible. With your family pick your favorite story and read it together. **There are several ways to take your family selfie** - you can all point to the Scripture reference and take a pic; you can re-enact the story and take a pic; or you can take a video of your family reading or telling the story!

### **Clue #5– Last Supper: Matthew 26:20-30**

*But some of the people did not like God's Son, and started a plan to get rid of the One so Jesus gathered his friends for a Passover meal, and shared what would happen; it seemed so unreal.*

During the Last Supper, Jesus explained that he would die and rise again, but the disciples didn't understand his words. It was here that Jesus first described communion– the bread representing his body and the juice representing his blood. After this, he left and went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray before the soldiers came to arrest him. **With your family, go find a garden or a patch of flowers. Take your picture together** and consider how just a few weeks ago this ground was cold and dead, but today there is hope and new life. Jesus came that we might have new life and have it for all eternity!

### **Clue #6 –Crucifixion: Matthew 27:32-56**

*Betrayed by a friend, Jesus was arrested, He was tried by a court and his death was requested, on that saddest of days, our Savior did die. But within that dark moment, our salvation did lie.*

When Jesus died on the cross, his disciples and his friends lost all hope. But God had a bigger plan. A beautiful plan that was way bigger than they could see in that moment. We remember the cross as a place of suffering but also as a place of hope for all eternity. **With your family, find a cross and take your picture and talk about how we can have hope in Jesus.**

## Clue #7– Resurrection: Luke 24:1-12

*Some may think that our story is done. But they would be wrong! It has only begun! For after 3 days, Jesus rose from the dead. To give us New Life forever... just as He said!*

Our greatest hope comes in knowing that we will get to spend all of eternity with Jesus and with all who follow him! We don't have to be slaves to sin. Jesus can help us to live with joy and life now. That is what Easter is all about! **Take a picture of your family celebrating with GREAT JOY that Jesus is ALIVE!**

### Remember to Tag Us:

**\*\*During this time, please be sure to tag our Safari Land and All Stars accounts when you post. We want to encourage other families by sharing what your kids are learning!**

- All Stars: Facebook - Kids at the Bridge,  
Instagram - [@allstars\\_at\\_the\\_bridge](#)
- Safari Land: Facebook - Safari Land at The Bridge -  
Instagram - [@safariLand\\_at\\_the\\_bridge](#)
- The Bridge Bible Church: Facebook - The Bridge Bible Church  
Instagram - [@thebridgebiblechurch](#)



**PRAYER**

### Prayer:

*What you say:*

**Let's pray and talk to God.**

**Dear God,**

**Thank you that Jesus didn't stay in the tomb. Thank you that he came back to life and that he's alive and with us today. In Jesus' name, Amen.**



## **MEMORY VERSE**

### **Memory Verse:**

**Parents:** We want to encourage you to spend time each week as a family memorizing a passage of Scripture. We have provided two different versions to choose from.

#### **1 Peter 1:3 (NirV)**

Give praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In his great mercy he has given us a new birth and a living hope. This hope is living because Jesus Christ rose from the dead.

#### **1 Peter 1:3 (ESV)**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.