

Unearthing the Truth about the Resurrection: Jesus Serves His Friends

Dear Parents / Caregivers:

Today in our small groups, your kids learned that Jesus taught his friends what it meant to be a servant. They also learned how Jesus prayed for his friends. The suggestions on this page will help you to continue the connection this week.

Say... "I heard you learned that Jesus served his friends. Tell me how Jesus served His friends." (They should be able to tell you about how Jesus washed their feet before they had supper together. He showed his friends how to be a servant.) Use the letters in the word **SERVE** and name ways your children can serve others.

S _____
E _____
R _____
V _____
E _____

SERVE OTHERS

Continuing the theme of servanthood, lead your family to do a service project this week. You might find a local organization in your town and help at the local food bank, food pantry, dog shelter, clean up a park. As you do your project together, remind your children about the importance of serving others and help them to identify other simple ways they can serve others on a daily basis.



PRAY FOR OTHERS

Kids learned that prayer was important to Jesus and He prayed for His friends. This week set time aside to have your kids make homemade prayer cards. Lead your kids to choose two people who need prayer and make cards for them. Talk about the importance of this activity and how this will encourage the receivers and let them know they are being bathed in prayer and love!

Gather a wide variety of art supplies and let your kids spend a good amount of time to make their two cards special. Depending on their age, help them to write a short prayer in the card. After they are ready to go, put them in the mail or deliver them in person. Spend time continuing to pray for these individuals moving forward. Model for your kids the importance of prayer moving forward.

SCRIPTURE VERSE ACTIVITY

"Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18

Activity: Write each word of the verse on a index card. Read the verse together with all the cards face up. Flip over one word and have kids read the verse and recall the hidden word. Continue the activity by flipping over more words and seeing if the kids can recall the verse. Keep playing until the kids can do it with all the words hidden. **REPEAT SEVERAL TIMES THROUGH THE WEEK!**