

Large Group

Jesus Appeared to the Disciples

Bible Passage: Luke 24

Memory Verse: John 17:3

Big Picture Question: How do we know that God wants us to know Him? We can know that God wants us to know Him because He has revealed Himself through His Word.



Countdown Video (3 mins)

Worship Song (4 mins)

Worship Leader briefly introduces self, welcomes kids, leads 1st worship song, and prays for the time.

Welcome (1 mins)

Large Group Leader tell kids what to expect to happen (1 minute)

- watch the lesson video
- retell the story.
- read the story from scripture

Watch the Lesson Video (4 mins)

Retell the Story (11 mins)

Lead the kids in a fun retelling of the story

Here are some resources to help you formulate this time.

Review what we learned:

We have learned that Jesus loves us so much that He was arrested, falsely accused, and crucified on the cross to save us from sin. But then He was raised from the dead! Jesus is alive! Jesus lives forever to reign over the universe as the King of kings.

After Jesus rose from the dead, He showed His followers that He is alive by visiting them, eating with them, and continuing to teach them. Let's learn how Jesus appeared to His disciples and taught them about His mission for them.

Today's Lesson

Our story from Luke 24 happened after Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection. He had already appeared to some people like Mary Magdalene as well as two of His followers on the road to Emmaus. Then Jesus appeared to all His disciples, except Thomas. Jesus knew that they would be afraid when they saw Him. He didn't want them to be scared or believe that He is a ghost. How did He prove this? [Allow responses.] He showed them His hands and sides, and He invited them to touch Him.

How else did Jesus prove He is alive? Did He eat something like we do? [Allow responses.] He asked His disciples for food, and they gave Him fish to eat. Jesus was hungry! His resurrected body had real flesh and bones and needed food, just like our bodies.

After Jesus ate, He spent time with the disciples and explained the Bible to them. Just like we study the truths of God's Word together each week, Jesus taught how all the Scriptures in the Old Testament pointed to Him as the Messiah. Jesus also told them they had a job to do. What was the job Jesus gave them? [Allow responses.] He told the disciples that they are to share the good news of the gospel with others. Jesus gives all of His followers, including us, this same job. We must tell everyone the importance of repenting of sin and receiving forgiveness through faith in Jesus.

Christ Connection | For 40 days, Jesus presented Himself to over 500 people and proved that He is alive. (1 Corinthians 15:3-8) Jesus is still alive today. He sends out believers to tell others about Him.

Read from the Bible (4 mins)

Luke 24: 29-48

Remind Kids of Four Questions (1 min)

- What did you like about today's story?
- What did you find confusing?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about God?

Memory Verse Song (4 mins)

Worship Leader connects the lesson to the memory verse, leads the memory verse song with hand motions, and closes in prayer.