

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church and can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK

PONDER POINT: JESUS IS KING OF KINGS

Triumphal Entry
Matthew 21:1–17

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

PONDER POINT: JESUS IS ALIVE

Death/Resurrection
John 20:1–18

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- When Eve, and ultimately Adam, chose to listen to the serpent and eat the forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3), sin entered the world.
- The wages, or payment, for sin is death (Romans 6:23). In the Old Testament, sacrifices were offered regularly to temporarily cover sin until the ultimate sin sacrifice would come.
- Christ came to put an end to these sacrifices. He led a perfect life, died on a cross for our sins, and conquered sin and death by rising again.
- Because Jesus lives, our sins can be forgiven, and we can be reconciled with God (John 14:19).

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

After reading your child(ren)'s favorite book, ask why they like that story. Talk about the beginning and the end of the story. Does the story have a villain or a hero? Jesus is the hero of The Big God Story. Read **John 20:1–18**. How did the disciples react when they heard Jesus was alive? What happened to Jesus after He rose again? He returned to heaven, where He sits with God. He's invited us to be a part of His big story and one day He will return so that we can with Him forever. Pray, thanking God that He is alive we can be part of His family.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Who is the Redeemer? Why did God promise to send Him?
- What is your favorite part of The Big God Story?
- How does it feel to know that you have a part to play in The Big God Story?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how Jesus is alive into your everyday life as a family.

REMEMBER VERSE

The Remember Verse focuses on a character trait of God that's highlighted in next week's portion of The Big God Story.

Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.
John 17:3

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **may God fill you with His love and joy and life this week. May you be a blessing to others.**

For more information about blessing your child, talk to your ministry leader or see *Spiritual Parenting* by Michelle Anthony.