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Special Lent Lessons Just 4 Kids

Overview for Week Two

WEEK TWO'S PRAYER:

Almighty and everlasting God, Thank you for this time of year that we remember what Jesus did for us so that we can become Your children, and live with you forever in heaven. Help us to learn more about You and Your Son from Your Word, the Bible. And help us to learn to say NO to sins and YES to obeying your commandments and spending more time with you. Thank you for being the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

[Isaiah 9:1-2](#)

[1 Corinthians 6:20; 7](#)

[Matthew 4:12-17](#)

[Psalm 32:1-11](#)

Lessons Just 4 Kids

Day 5 ~ E ~ Encouraging Words

ENCOURAGING WORDS OF EVERLASTING LIFE

When Jesus began preaching He spoke **ENCOURAGING WORDS**. The New Testament begins with the books Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. These four books are called the four Gospels. Each of these four Gospels tell the story of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. **GOSPEL** means **GOOD NEWS**. The life of Jesus and His Ministry **ENCOURAGES** His followers with **GOOD NEWS** of an **EVERLASTING LIFE**.

Today is the fifth day of the Lent season. In today's scripture Matthew 4:17 tells us that Jesus began to preach. Jesus began his ministry with saying: "**Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.**" The word **REPENT** means that you are sorry for the bad things that you did, and you are going to turn away from doing bad and start doing good things. Jesus starts his preaching by telling people that they need to repent. Then Jesus **ENCOURAGES** us with His words that "**the Kingdom of God is near.**" You will discover during the study of Jesus' life that later

Jesus explains to His followers that God has a plan to save His people. Jesus was sent by His Father God to **REDEEM** His people when they **REPENT**.

After learning what Repent means click on the picture of Jesus on the Cross to understand how you can be Redeemed

What does it mean to repent?

Repentance is a change of heart that causes your mind to change, and that results in a change of life. Jesus told a story about a man who had two sons. He said to the first, "Go, work today in my vineyard." The first son said he would not work in his dad's vineyard, but Jesus said he later repented and went. What did this boy do when he repented? He simply changed his mind. God wants us to change our minds about sin and our participation in it. That's what the Bible is talking about in commanding all men to repent.

Repentance is a necessary part in becoming a Christian and in living the Christian life. Jesus said in Luke 13:3, "**except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.**" God wants all who have sinned to repent. He is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. (2 Peter 3:9.)

All Christians have repented of their sins. However, not all who have repented are Christians. Saul of Tarsus is a Bible example of one who believed on Jesus and was a penitent (Acts chapters 9, 22 and 26). God sent Ananias to instruct Saul. Ananias said, "And now why tarriest thou? Arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord." (Acts 22:16.) Although Saul had repented of his sins, he needed to be baptized into the death of Christ where the cleansing blood was shed and in this God-ordained way wash away his sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

PRAYER:

Thank you God for sending Jesus to Redeem us when we repent for the bad things that we do and say. Thank you for the Encouraging Words that Jesus preached when He lived on Earth. Help me to understand the lessons from the Bible so that I will know Your ways and can walk as a child of the King of Kings. Amen.

**Day 6 ~ F ~ First
Followers of Jesus
~ Fishers of Men ~**

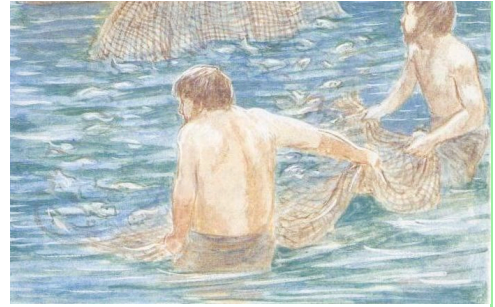
TODAY'S SCRIPTURE



[Isaiah 26:2](#)

[Matthew 4:12-17](#)

[Psalm 100:4](#)



Today is the sixth day of the Lent season. Today we will learn about the **FIRST FOLLOWERS** of Jesus Christ. In the Gospel of John (John 1:35-51); we are told that the day after Jesus was baptized Jesus choose two of John the Baptist's followers to go with him. In the Gospel of Matthew (Matthew 4:12-17); we are told that Jesus went to the desert to be alone with God for 40 days and began His preaching before he called the First Followers. What we do know for sure is that these events happened in the first year of Jesus' Ministry. Some timelines call this "The Year of Inauguration"

The FIRST FOLLOWERS - DISCIPLES

There are many pages in Just 4 Kids Magazine about the 12 Disciples. [Click Here](#) to read more about the 12 Disciples for younger children, and [CLICK HERE](#) to read about the 12 Disciples for older children. [Start Here](#) to read the stories about when each Disciple was called by Jesus.

Click on the Gate and enter through the gate and over the moat. The gatehouse is the way in and out of the castle. It is often the most strongly defended point.

Day 7 ~ G ~ "Get These Out Of Here"



TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

[Isaiah 56:7, and Jeremiah 7:11](#)

[John 2: 12-17: 5](#)

[Psalm 69:9](#)



Today is the seventh day of the Lent season. The story today is about Jesus getting angry when He saw that the people were using God's House as a place to sell merchandise like cows, pigs and doves. There is a 5 minute video of Christian Bear reading today's scripture below. It was made by donminbox and is free to use and pass to other Christians.

In this story we see two prophecies. An Old Testament prophecy happened when Jesus cleaned the temple when he got angry. This is found in Psalm 69:9. And Jesus prophesied of His own death and resurrection when He tells that the temple will be torn down and brought back in three days. He was referring to His own body. After Jesus died and rose from the dead the Disciples remembered that Jesus told these things would happen.

PRAYER:

Heavenly Father I come to you in the precious name of Jesus. I Thank you Father, for Jesus, the Holy Spirit, our Salvation and for all things that you provide in our daily needs, and in knowledge and internal hope.

Heavenly Father I plead the precious blood of Jesus, and the healing strips of Jesus, Your Holy Word and the Power of the Holy Spirit over all those reading these lessons. And over all that hear your word that they may find Salvation. In the Holy and Precious name of Jesus and by the Power of the Holy Spirit Father let this ministry serve only for your glory. And in advance I give You all the glory the honor and all my our praises. For only You Father, are worthy of my Praises. This I ask in the precious name of Jesus. Amen
(Prayer by Christian Bear Video)

Jesus was angry because He knew that the Temple was God's House and a place to Worship and Praise God. Click on the Picture of the Courtyard to read about Praising God.
- Lesson from Rainbow Castle in God's Kingdom.

Day 8 ~ H ~ "How Can That Be" HEAVENLY THINGS

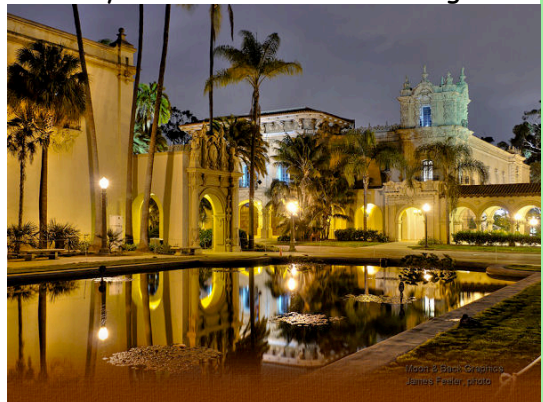
TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

[Exodus 40:9-16; Numbers 19:2](#)

[Ephesians 2:8-9](#)

[John 3:1-21](#)

[Psalm 98:1-2](#)



Today is the seventh day of the Lent season. John 3:1-21 tells about an interview with Jesus from Nicodemus. Nicodemus was a very devoted religious Jewish leader. Jesus told him that even though he was doing the right things



he was still lost. He had to be Born Again. Nicodemus asked Jesus "**HOW CAN THIS BE?**" Jesus explained that He was talking about **HEAVENLY THINGS**. Jesus said that "**you can not enter the kingdom of God unless you are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, You must be born again.**"

Then Jesus told Nicodemus the most popular Bible verses that people memorize. John 3:16-18 reads:

"16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

Jesus was explaining the process of Sanctification that would happen to a Born Again Believer of Jesus Christ. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn what Sanctified means.

[Click Here](#) to Read the story on this scripture from our past lessons.

Bullfrogs and Butterflies are a great way to help explain being born again to children. Below are some great skits, songs and stories written just for kids.

[This page just 4 Kids explains being born again](#)

[CLICK HERE](#) for a song called "Bullfrogs and Butterflies Must Be Born Again.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read a skit for children that helps you understand about being born again.



PRAYER:

Almighty and everlasting God, Thank you for sending Jesus Christ who makes us Sanctified because of His Sacrifice of His life on the cross. Thank you for Your Salvation,

for saving us and making us your children and giving us Everlasting life. Amen.

Click on the Picture of Eagle's Rock to read about Sacrifice, Sanctified & Salvation. - Lesson from Rainbow Castle in God's Kingdom.

Day 9 ~ I ~ Ill Boy

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

[Proverbs 3:5-6](#)

[Acts 3:1-10](#)

[John 4: 45-54](#)

[Psalm 107:19-22](#)



Today is the ninth day of the Lent season. Today's lesson is about a little boy who was ill. His father believed that Jesus could heal his son. This story is the 2nd recording of a miracle of healing in the book of John after Jesus left Judea and went to Galilee.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Bible Story for Children about the Boy who was Ill.

A Story of a [Christmas Miracle](#)

Click on the Picture of the Princess to read about transforming grace - Lesson from Rainbow Castle in God's Kingdom.



Day 10 ~ J ~ Jacob's Well

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

[Numbers 24:16](#)

[2 Corinthians 4:6](#)

[John 4:1-42](#)

[Psalm 119: 65-67](#)

Today is the tenth day of the Lent season. Today's Scripture is from John 4: 1-42.

When Jesus was at a well in Samaria a woman approached him. She was Samaritan, and the Jews usually did not speak to Samaritans. She was surprised when Jesus asked her to draw Him some water. Jesus answered that if she knew who He was, she would ask Him for living water. His words



confused her. Jesus didn't have a bucket, how could He draw water? She asked Him if He was greater than Jacob, who dug the well. (He was, but she didn't know that yet.)

Jesus told the woman that her water would only quench her thirst for a little while. Jesus then told her that He had water that would quench her thirst forever! That comment made the woman want to know more. She asked how she could get this water. Jesus told her to bring her husband to see Him. She replied that she had no husband. Jesus said, "that's right. You've been married before, but you are not now".

When the woman realized that Jesus knew all about her life, she thought He was a prophet. She asked where to worship. Jesus said we must worship in spirit and in truth; that's more important than the physical place. We must worship in our heart and do what is right.

Click on the Picture of the Luscious Garden to read about the gift of knowledge. - Lesson from Rainbow Castle in God's Kingdom.

