

Family Worship Guide Week of April 12th, 2015



One of the ways SC Kids partners with parents to make disciples of Jesus is to provide resources that promote discipleship in the home. This Family Worship Guide is intended to give parents content from this week's lesson to discuss with their children throughout the week.

REVIEW

This Sunday we studied one of Jesus' most significant teachings which is known as the Sermon on the Mount. This week's lesson was called "Sermon on the Mount - The Beatitudes" and comes from Matthew 4:23-5:16. For a children's bible version you can refer to Story 91 of the Gospel Story Bible.

GOSPEL

Jesus would be the one to fulfill the righteous life he described in the Beatitudes. We need not strive to obey Jesus' words in the Sermon on the Mount to earn God's favor; we strive to obey because we have already been forgiven and made righteous. Now, free of the condemnation of the law, we can follow the way of the law by following Jesus. If we should fall into sin, we need not be condemned. Instead, we confess our sin, and by the blood of Jesus our sins are covered.

DISCUSS

Quiz your kids on the Beatitudes.

Blessed are the poor in spirit...for theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blessed are those who mourn...for they shall be comforted. etc.

What did Jesus say his disciples were?

The light of the world.

Where does this light come from?

It comes from God's presence in their lives.

If we are sinners, how can we inherit the kingdom of God?

Through Jesus. He lived the perfect life that we couldn't live and died the death we deserve. So that we could have peace with God.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For additional family devotionals you can purchase "Old Story New: Ten Minute Devotions to Draw Your Family to God" at amazon.com or from the Sacred City Bookstore on Sunday. You could also purchase "Mission Accomplished" by Scott James to reflect on the resurrection.

SING

Singing is a great way for kids to experience and memorize God's Word. Here are a few family favorites: Preschool age - "Cedarmont Kids - Bible Songs" and for Preschool and Elementary age children we recommend the Morning Star Catechism CD (available at the SC bookstore) and Seeds Family Worship.

PRAY

Pray through the Beatitudes with your kids. For example, confess your sins and weakness (acknowledge that you are poor in spirit) and for the kingdom of God. Pray for those who are mourning or are in sorrow so that they would be comforted by Jesus.



Preschool

4Q: How can you glorify God?

4A: By loving Him and doing what He commands.

John 17:4 I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do.

1 John 5:3 This is love for God: to obey his commands. And his commands are not burdensome.

Lower Elementary

14Q: Where do you learn how to love and obey God?

14A: In the Bible alone.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in the righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

