



# HOMEGUIDE

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## DRAW IT!

Draw a picture of what you would look like if you found the greatest treasure ever!

## JOURNAL IT!

Do you have any questions about following Jesus? Write them down.

## THIS WEEK WE LEARNED

### THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

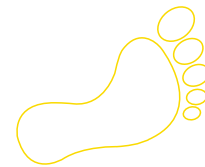
**BIG IDEA:** God promises eternal life to those who seek and find Him.

**BIBLE BASIS:** Matthew 7:7-12; 13:44

**KEY VERSE:** "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you."  
Matthew 7:7 (NIV)

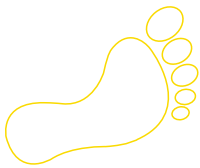
## READ IT!

Mathew 13:44. Draw a picture of the story or write to God your favorite part of the story. Tell Him why you liked it.



## PRAY IT!

Write a prayer to God. Tell Him about your sins and ask Him for forgiveness.



## NEXT WEEK'S LESSON

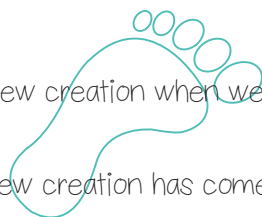
### SAUL SEES THE LIGHT

**BIG IDEA:** Jesus changes our heart, so we're a new creation when we follow Him.

**BIBLE BASIS:** Acts 9:1-19

**KEY VERSE:** "When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone! The new is here!"

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)





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## FAMILY ACTIVITIES: KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

### FOR YOUNGER KIDS:

#### JESUS CAN, CAN YOU?

**Supplies:** None

**Say:** In a lot of ways, Jesus is just like you and me, He has 10 fingers, He has a mommy and a daddy, and He grew up to be a big boy. But in some ways, Jesus is very different. We're going to play a game that helps us see how Jesus is special.

**Directions:** Read the "Jesus Statements" from the list below. If it's something the children can do, have them repeat the action. If it's something they cannot do, have them shout, "**Jesus is the special Son of God.**"

#### Jesus Statements:

- Jesus can clap his hands 10 times. Can you?
- Jesus can hop in a circle. Can you?
- Jesus can make a big storm stop. Can you?
- Jesus can honk his nose. Can you?
- Jesus can run in place. Can you?
- Jesus can die and come back to life. Can you?
- Jesus can stomp his feet 7 times. Can you?
- Jesus can walk on water. Can you?
- Jesus can spin around 5 times. Can you?
- Jesus can moo like a cow. Can you?
- Jesus can make a blind man see. Can you?
- Jesus can take our sins away. Can you?

**Question:** Jesus is special because He is the Son of God. Can you think of other ways that Jesus is special?

### FOR OLDER KIDS:

#### WALK THE LINE

**Set up:** Place a 10-15 foot (3-4.5 meters) long strip of tape on the floor.

**Say:** We have learned why the story of Jesus' death and resurrection is so important. When Jesus died on the cross, He took the punishment for our sins. Thanks to Him, we can now be forgiven and spend forever with Him in Heaven. We're going to do an activity right now that will help us figure out which of us truly needs forgiveness.

**Directions:** Line up at one end of the tape line. Challenge everyone to walk on the line without stepping off. If they step off of the tape line, they're out and must return to the back of the line. At first, it will be easy, but then introduce some of the following additional challenges: walk backwards, bear crawl, hop on one foot, hop backwards on one foot, close your eyes, etc. For



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the last round, quickly spin everyone in circles 10-12 times before they walk the line. Inevitably, you will be dizzy and step off of the line before reaching the end.

**Say:** In the end, everybody stepped off of the line at least once. That's kind of like what the Bible says about sin. (*Open your Bible to Romans 3:23 and read aloud, "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."*) Staying on the tape line is kind of like following Jesus without messing up or sinning. But at some point, we all step off the line. We all break God's rules and sin. That means we *all* need to be forgiven.

**Question:** If you tried really hard, how long do you think you could go without messing up or sinning?

**Question:** Have you ever prayed to Jesus to become a Christian? How did it happen? What was it like?