

Unit 19

Final Days of Jesus

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life.”
John 14:6

When your family sits down to share God’s Word, use this devotion on its own or go to <https://davidccook.org/echoes/resources> to watch **Final Days of Jesus** before doing the devotion together. This devotion works well in March.

In the video, the kids talk about God’s plan to save us and forgive us for our sins. The only way for that to happen was through the sacrifice of His own Son. Jesus was forsaken (or rejected) by God because of our sins. Jesus’ death was God’s perfect plan to bring us back to Him.

- Why did Jesus choose to die on the cross?

At the Last Supper, Jesus shows His friends how much He loves them by washing their feet—a job usually reserved for household servants. Then Jesus tells His friends about another act of service He will offer—one much bigger, more costly, and infinitely more important. We honor Jesus’ sacrifice for us by living generous, faithful lives.

- Why did Jesus die on the cross?
- Memorize John 14:6. Jesus says He is “the way.” To what or to whom?
- How can we show and tell others about the sacrifice Jesus made for us?

End with a short prayer: Dear God, thank You for Jesus and for Your plan to save us. Help us to always remember Jesus’ sacrifice and to proclaim it every day by the things we do, the words we say, and the way we live. In Jesus’ name, amen.

Unit 20

Jesus Conquers Death

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
2 Peter 3:18

When your family sits down to share God's Word, use this devotion on its own or go to <https://davidccook.org/echoes/resources> to watch **Jesus Conquers Death** before doing the devotion together. This devotion works well in April.

The kids in the first part of the video explain why Jesus coming back to life is so important—what it means to all of us as Christians and what it teaches us personally about God and who He is.

- Why is Jesus' resurrection a big deal to you?

The second part of the video shows a boy doing chores to help make up for a mistake he made. While we can't EVER do enough right things to make up for the wrong things we've done, God does want us to do our best to serve Him and to live like Jesus. But when we mess up, we can always turn to God for help.

- What is sin? Does your sin change the way God feels about you?
- Memorize 2 Peter 3:18. What does it mean to grow in grace and knowledge?
- How can you learn more about Jesus so that you can follow Him more closely?

End with a short prayer: Dear God, You love us no matter how many times we sin and disappoint You. Help us to remember that You are always there to help us make the right choices—and You're always there to forgive us when we don't. Help us to learn more about You so we can walk more closely with You. In Jesus' name, amen.

Unit 21

How Believers Live

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others.

1 Peter 4:10

When your family sits down to share God's Word, use this devotion on its own or go to <https://davidccook.org/echoes/resources> to watch **How Believers Live** before doing the devotion together. This devotion works well in May.

The kids in this video talk about how Jesus' resurrection makes a difference in the way we live our daily lives—how we think, what we feel, and how we treat those around us.

- How does believing that Jesus rose from the dead change how we treat others?

Our belief in Jesus' life, death, and resurrection changes the way we live and how we treat others. It inspires us to help others, worship God, and to pray about our problems.

- What do you pray about most? What is it hard for you to pray about?
- Memorize 1 Peter 4:10. What gifts do you have, and how can you use them to serve?
- Why is it important that we use the gifts God gives us?

End with a short prayer: Dear God, thank You for hearing us when we pray and for listening to big things and small, in good times and bad. Help us to use our gifts to help and to serve others, so that they might come to know the love of Christ through us. In Jesus' name, amen.