



Questions to aid discussion of the key concepts and for use in games

Be familiar with these questions and answers. Look for opportunities to ask questions and talk about their answers, such as while the children work on their coloring pages, as part of their games, or during play time. Remember: your goal isn't to ask all these questions or to only talk to the children about these things. It is to be deliberate in having good conversations with them, as natural opportunities arise.

<p>BIG QUESTION</p>	<p>What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!</p>
<p>Meaning</p>	<p>In the beginning, God created the world. Everything God created was perfect. Best of all, people knew and loved God in a wonderful, perfectly close way. How good was the world that God created!</p> <p>But sadly, life did not stay this way. People chose to disobey God and this perfect life was broken. Disobeying God is called "sin." People's sin brought sickness, sadness, and death into God's good world. Sin broke our special closeness with God, too. We can see it when we look inside our hearts. We do not love God or others as we should. Saddest of all, sin meant we deserved never to know God's love, only His punishment for our sins.</p> <p>But God has been so kind to us. He has treated us much better than we could ever deserve! Even from the very beginning, God had an amazing plan to rescue us. He promised to send a Savior who would rescue His people. This Savior would take the punishment for their sins, so they wouldn't have to. This is how He would make them God's people. Who was that Savior? God's Son, Jesus. And who are God's people? All who turn away from their disobeying and trust in Him as their Savior. Jesus came to bring us to God! We can be God's people, too, if we trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you!</p>
<p>Discussion Questions</p>	<p><i>choose a few</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What did Jesus come to do? <i>Jesus came to bring us to God!</i> 2. Who did people have a wonderful closeness with in the beginning? <i>With God.</i> 3. What did people do that caused the wonderful closeness with God to end? <i>They disobeyed Him.</i> 4. What did sin bring into the world? <i>Sickness, sadness and death.</i> 3. What did all people deserve for disobeying God? <i>God's punishment that keeps them separated from Him and all His goodness forever. How sad!</i> 5. Who did God send to bring His people to Him? <i>Jesus.</i> 6. What did Jesus take for God's people on the cross? <i>The punishment for their sins.</i> 7. What happens to us when we turn away from our sins and trust Jesus as our Savior? <i>God forgives our sins. He makes us His people. We have special closeness with God now. Then, when our bodies die, we will go on living happily with God forever.</i>
<p>THE GOSPEL</p>	<p>The big Bible word for Jesus coming to bring us to God is "the gospel." It means "good news." Do you know what the good news of the gospel is?</p> <p><i>The LORD is the one, true God. We should all obey Him. But, we all say "no" to God and we deserve God's punishment! How sad! But, oh, how kind is the LORD! He sent His Son, Jesus, to save us! Jesus lived a perfect life. Then, He offered it up as the full payment for our sins when He suffered and died on the cross. Jesus didn't stay dead. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, proving He had beaten sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. If we do, we will get to know God in our hearts, now. And one day, we will go to live with God forever. Ask God to help you trust in Jesus. He loves to answer this prayer.</i></p>

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BIBLE VERSE	<p>“Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God.” 1 Peter 3:18, ESV</p>
Meaning	<p>What did Jesus come to do? Jesus came to bring us to God! That’s just what this Bible verse tells us. We are all sinners and deserve God’s punishment. We could never come to God on our own. But Jesus came to take God’s punishment for sin for EVERYONE who turns away from rebelling against God and trusts in Jesus as their Savior! Yes! God forgives them and makes them His very own people. They can know God in their hearts now. And one day, they will get to live with Him forever. This is how we can become God’s people, too. Thank You, Jesus!</p>
Discussion Questions	<p><i>choose a few</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who died for sins, once for all? Jesus, the Christ, God’s Son, the special Savior. 2. Righteous means someone is completely good. Who is the only person who is righteous? <i>Jesus.</i> 3. Unrighteous means someone who isn’t completely good. Someone who does bad things. Who is unrighteous? <i>We all are. Everyone but God.</i> 4. What did Jesus come to do? <i>To bring us to God.</i> 5. What did Jesus use His perfectly good and righteous life to do? <i>To be the perfect payment for the sins of God’s people so they could be forgiven.</i> 6. Can we become one of God’s people? <i>Yes, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, our sins are forgiven, too.</i> 7. Who can help us know God? <i>God, Himself! He loves to help us. Just ask Him!</i>
BIBLE STORY	<p>The Case of the Son Who Came Down The Gospels</p>
Discussion Questions	<p><i>choose a few</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where is Jesus’ home? <i>Heaven.</i> 2. What was life like for Jesus in heaven? <i>He was always perfectly happy.</i> 3. Where did Jesus go when He left His home in heaven? <i>Here, to earth.</i> 4. Why did Jesus leave His wonderful home in heaven? <i>To bring us to God and this was the only way.</i> 5. What was different about life here on earth? <i>There were many bad and sad things. No longer was everything perfectly good and happy, like in heaven.</i> 6. What did Jesus do when He grew up? <i>He taught about God; He healed people; He even raised some dead people back to life.</i> 7. Why did Jesus do these things? <i>To help people believe that He was God’s Son and He had come from heaven to bring them to God.</i> 8. What did Jesus’ enemies do to Him? <i>They hurt Him and put Him on a cross to die.</i> 9. What did Jesus plan to do when He died on the cross? <i>Pay for the sins of God’s people.</i> 10. What did Jesus tell His friends He would do after He died? <i>He would come back to life.</i> 11. What did Jesus’ enemies at Jesus’ cave-grave? <i>They put soldiers to guard it and back sure no one took Jesus’ body.</i> 12. What happened on Day Three after Jesus died? <i>Jesus rose from the dead.</i> 13. What did Jesus beat? <i>He beat sin and death for God’s people.</i> 14. Where did Jesus go after He rose from the dead? <i>He talked to His friends and then He went up to heaven.</i> 15. How can Jesus bring us to God? <i>We can ask Him to work in our hearts. We can turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior.</i>