

# 4SPREK AT HOME

WEEK 1 – MAY 3RD



## BIG IDEA

True story—Jesus is always with us

## BIBLE

Acts 1:3–11

## ABOUT THIS WEEK

[At the end of some adventure stories, the leader leaves, and the team wonders how they'll go on. This week, we'll see how Jesus' followers felt the same way when he left for heaven, but he promised that his presence would stay with them through the Holy Spirit. His promise wasn't just for them—it's for us too, because **true story—Jesus is always with us.**

### ACTIVITY | Cloud Jumping

- INSTRUCTIONS:** *For this activity, create a path around the room using pillows for this "cloud-jumping" race. Spread the pillows out to form a course, making sure there's a small gap between each "cloud" for your kid to step or hop without touching the ground. To play, take turns going a few at a time, "floating" from cloud to cloud. If anyone touches the ground, have them start over.*
- Do you wish you could fly? What would that be like? Where would you fly to?**
- True story—today's Bible story is about someone who goes up into the sky in a cloud. **Want to guess who?** Jesus!
- Even though Jesus went away, he promised he would never leave us.
- Was Jesus gone forever?** No, he said he would come back. He also sent the Holy Spirit to be with us.
- Who are some people we can tell about Jesus?** We can tell our friends and family.
- Who is always with us, even though we can't see him?** Jesus.

**MEMORY VERSE:** "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes." — Romans 1:16a (NIV)



# 4SPREK AT HOME

WEEK 2 – MAY 10TH



## BIG IDEA

True story—God helps us be righteous.

## BIBLE

Acts 4:32–5:10

## ABOUT THIS WEEK

A true adventure hero stays honest and does the right thing for the right reasons. This week, we'll see how Ananias and Sapphira tried to make themselves look good by hiding the truth, but their dishonesty led to serious consequences. The good news is that God doesn't expect us to be perfect, but when we choose truth, **true story—God helps us be righteous.**

### ACTIVITY | Draw A Superhero

- INSTRUCTIONS:** *Using a large poster-size paper and markers ready, ask your kids to describe their ideal superhero and then draw it out. If you don't consider yourself a great artist, that's okay. Try your best and have fun with it. Your kids will enjoy creating a superhero with you.*
- Wow adventurers, look at this awesome superhero we made together! When we think of heroes, we might think of people with special powers who always do the right thing. But what really makes a hero special is not just doing what's right but also having a good heart.
- We can use the word "righteous" to describe people like that. Someone who is righteous makes the right choice with the right heart. When we make the right choice with the right heart, we can help others.
- Today, we'll read a true story about two people who had a hard time making the right choice with the right heart. Their bad choices hurt them and everyone around them, too.
- What did Ananias and Sapphira do?** They sold land but kept some of the money. Then they lied to Peter and said they were giving all the money to the church.
- What do we call doing the right thing with the right heart?** Righteous.
- Who helps us to be righteous?** God.

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# 4SPREK AT HOME

WEEK 3 – MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>



## BIG IDEA

True story—God hears us when we pray.

## BIBLE

Acts 12:1–17

## ABOUT THIS WEEK

A quest is filled with dangers and obstacles—sometimes, a warrior gets trapped with no way out. This week, we'll hear how Peter was locked up in jail, heavily guarded, and escape seemed impossible. But when the church prayed for him, God sent an angel to set him free, proving that true story—**God hears us when we pray.**

### ACTIVITY | Pray Together

- INSTRUCTIONS:** Give your kid a category and ask them to come up with a word for the topic. Then, start off the prayer, and have kids echo your starting prayer and fill in the rest with their answers. For example, for the first topic, the first kid would say, "God, thank you for mommy." The next kid might say, "God, thank you for grandpa." Go back and forth a few times, then start a new prayer topic.
- Let's practice sending our prayers to God. I'm going to start us off with a topic, and you have to come up with the name of something that fits and say it out loud with me.
  - Let's pray for our families. You can say Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa, Aunt, Uncle, Brother, Sister, or anyone else. Say it with me: **God, thank you for...**
  - Let's pray for our friends. Think of a friend's name and say this with me: **God, please watch over...**
  - Let's pray for the food we eat. Think of your favorite food and repeat after me: **God, I love to eat...**
  - Let's pray for something we love to do. Do you like playing with a toy? Do you like watching a show on TV? Do you like making cookies or drawing? Let's thank God for that like this: **God, I'm happy that I can...**
- These are all wonderful ways to talk to God. We can tell God when we're happy, just like we can tell God when we're sad, angry, or scared. God listens to everything we say because **true story—God hears us when we pray.**

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# 4SPREK AT HOME

WEEK 4 – MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>



## BIG IDEA

True story—The Holy Spirit gives us power.

## BIBLE

Acts 16:16–40



## ABOUT THIS WEEK

Daring adventures always have moments where the main character faces challenges and has to find strength beyond their own. This week, we'll see how Paul and Silas faced grueling times but stayed strong, joyful, and full of faith. Instead of relying on themselves, they leaned on God because **true story—the Holy Spirit gives us power.**

## ACTIVITY | Shaky Towers

- INSTRUCTIONS:** *For this activity, provide blocks, cups, Magna-tiles, or whatever else you might have at your house for your kids to build up and tear down. Then let your kids pretend they are a powerful earthquake and knock down their buildings.*
- Earthquakes can happen with very little warning and can cause serious damage. The earthquake in today's Bible story was so powerful that it shook all the prison doors open!
- But God is more powerful than an earthquake. God's power chased an evil spirit out of a woman. It caused the earthquake and stopped the prisoners from escaping. The Holy Spirit helped a jailer and his family believe in Jesus.
- God promised the Holy Spirit would live in everyone who follows God. You have that power with you wherever you go! **True story—the Holy Spirit gives us power.**
- Who can you ask for help when you need it?** The Holy Spirit.

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# 4SPREK AT HOME

WEEK 5 – MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>



## BIG IDEA

True story—God helps us share the good news.

## BIBLE

Acts 27:13–44



## ABOUT THIS WEEK

Every adventure has unexpected setbacks and obstacles that make the journey harder than expected. This week, we'll see how Paul faced a terrifying shipwreck as a prisoner on his way to Rome but never stopped trusting God and sharing the good news with those around him. His story reminds us that no matter what challenges we face, **true story—God helps us share the good news.**

### ACTIVITY | Big Boat

- INSTRUCTIONS:** Give your kids a large cardboard box (we know you've probably ordered something from Amazon or go ask the dollar store for an extra box). Have your kids decorate and design the box to look like a boat. Then use the box to act out today's story.
- Who here has ever gotten to ride on a boat?** Maybe it was at a theme park. **What was it like?** Let's pretend this boat is going to take us to faraway lands. **Where would you want to sail to?**
- In today's true story, people are on a boat when they are caught in a bad storm. But God shows up in a big way to save them! Let's act it out together.
- Where were Paul and his friends held as prisoners?** On a boat.
- What scary thing happened next?** A big storm.
- What did Paul say to the crew on the boat?** That God was going to rescue them.
- Did God rescue them?** Yes! They listened to what Paul said, and God led them to land safely.
- Who are some people we can share the good news with?** We can share with our friends and our family.

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