



Polly Hopes For Snow
READ AND COLOR

Polly the polar bear looked out at the world. The ground was brown and bare. Christmas was coming, but it didn't feel right without snow. It was like a world that was sleeping, waiting for something wonderful to happen. Polly remembered a Bible story her papa told her, about a valley full of old, dry bones. Everything looked hopeless, but God caused them to rattle and shake. Then He breathed new life into them, and they stood right up, alive and strong!



Polly knew that even when things seemed sad, God could make them new again. Suddenly, a tiny white flake drifted down, then another, and another! Soon, the whole world was covered in a sparkling white blanket. Polly danced with joy! The snow was a beautiful reminder of the hope that came on the very first Christmas, when Jesus was born.

Talk About It:

- What was Polly hoping for?
- When it started to snow, how do you think Polly felt?
- What are you hoping that God will do for you?

Designed To Help Parents Take The Lesson Further Through Discipleship



Memory Verse
"Don't be afraid!" he said.
'I bring you good news
that will bring great joy
to all people.'
Luke 2:10

Take-Home Paper
Early Childhood

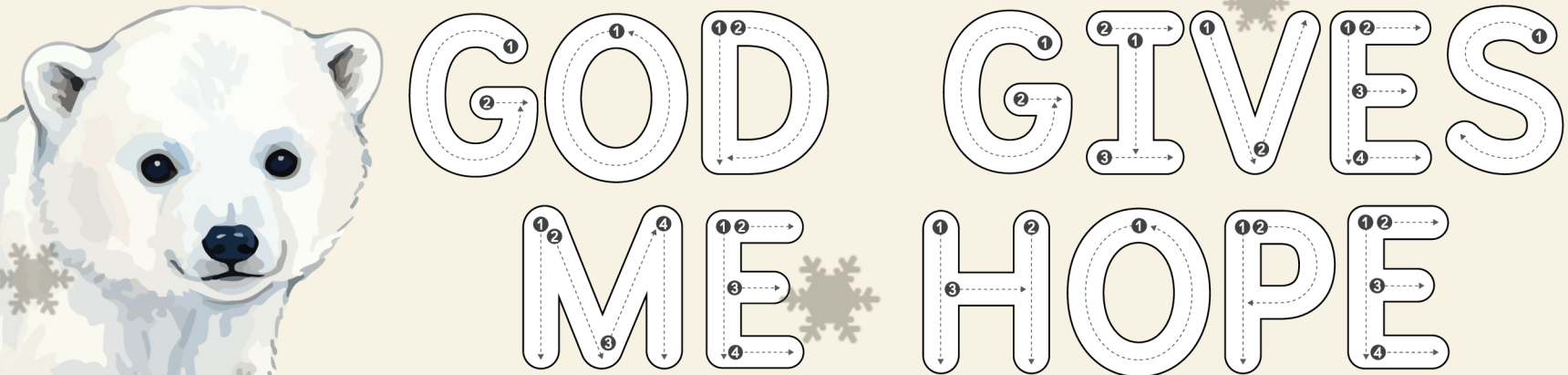
Bible Story
Valley of Dry Bones
Ezekiel 37:1-14

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Dear Parents, This is week four of our series, FAMOUS FOR. Today, your child learned GOD GIVES ME HOPE, based on Valley of Dry Bones from Ezekiel 37:1-14. You can help your child continue to grow in their faith by using the activities in this Take-Home Paper at your own pace. It's fun, easy, and you will grow together! When your child is done, sign the front and have them return it to class the following week for a prize.

PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____



Read Valley of Dry Bones

EZEKIEL 37:1-14



There was a man named Ezekiel. Ezekiel was God's friend, and he would talk to God.



One day, God showed Ezekiel something amazing and full of hope! God took Ezekiel to a big, empty place full of old, dry bones.



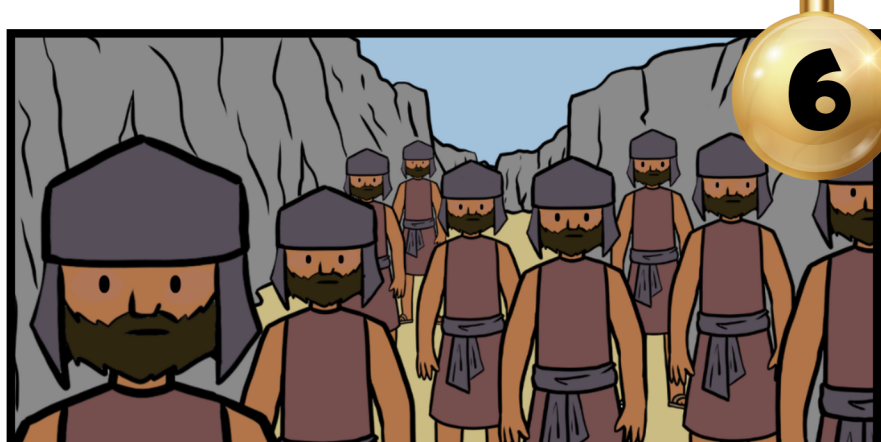
God asked Ezekiel, "Do you think these bones can come back to life?" Ezekiel wasn't sure, but he knew God could do anything!



But they weren't alive. They had no breath. So God told Ezekiel to speak about them having breath again and he did. He had hope and trusted God.



Ezekiel said, "Bones, come alive!" And the bones started to rattle and shake!



God put skin on their bones again! They all came to life and stood up on their feet—a great army.



Sometimes, when we feel sad or afraid, it's like we have no hope. That means we can't see how things will ever get better. But God wants us to know we can always have hope with Him—just like Ezekiel saw that bones could come back to life! If God can do that, God can do anything. God is so powerful that He can do anything!

God Gives Me Hope!

Bible Time

LUKE 2:10

Open your Bible with your child and spend a few minutes reading the scripture and answer the question. Close your time with the special prayer.

Q. What do you think the good news is? CLUE: Look at the bottom of this page.)

Have your grown-up write the answer in the box.

Pray: Dear God, Thank You for sending Jesus to earth. It is such good news! In Jesus' name, Amen

The Hope Of Jesus Is Here!

People hoped for a long, long, time for Jesus to come. When Jesus was finally born, the angels said it was "good news" just like our memory verse says! At Christmas, we celebrate that Jesus was born!

DIRECTIONS

Cut out baby Jesus below and glue Him into the manger. Remember that God Gives Me Hope! He sent Jesus, the Savior of the World!



God Gives Me Hope!

