

Let's Talk: Day 22

Today's Reading: John 16:7-15

Try to blow a piece of paper off the table. Even though we can't see air, it can move the paper. The Holy Spirit is invisible just like air but has a lot of power.

Questions:

1. Who will come to us when Jesus leaves?
2. What will the Holy Spirit do?
3. Have you ever had the Holy Spirit speak to you? What did He say?
4. How can you know it is the Holy Spirit speaking and not your own feelings?

Let's Talk: Day 23

Today's Reading: John 17

Today's chapter is a little longer than usual, but it is Jesus' prayer at the end of his last supper. These are among the last words His disciples heard Him say before He died so they are even more precious. The night before His hardest day on earth Jesus prayed. Share what you did the night before you knew you were about to go through a really hard time.

Questions:

1. Who is Jesus praying for?
2. Think about your past prayers. What do you pray for most frequently?
3. How can you pray like Jesus prayed? Discuss the ACTS prayer: A for Adoration – praising God for who He is; C for Confession – admitting our sins; T for Thanksgiving – giving thanks for what He has done for us; S for Supplication – asking for our needs and other people's needs. Say a prayer using the ACTS suggestion today.

Let's Talk: Day 24

Today's Reading: John 18:15-27

Discuss times when you or your child may have been embarrassed to talk about Jesus to others. Peter also denied Christ because he was scared he would be associated with Him and then killed too.

Questions:

1. Why do you think Peter followed the guards and Jesus into the high priest's courtyard? If you were him what would you be thinking? Do you think he believed Jesus was going to allow Himself to be killed?
2. How many times did Peter deny Jesus?
3. Why is it so much easier to talk about Jesus at church than at school?
4. How did Peter have that same issue in John 18?
5. What can you do to help overcome your fear about talking to others about God?

Let's Talk: Day 25

Today's Reading: John 19:16-33

See how many crosses you can make with items around the house. Set a timer for 3-5 minutes. Let the kids try to make a cross with different items and see who can make the most.

Questions:

1. What title did they put on the cross?
2. In the midst of his suffering, Jesus still took care of others (his mom, in this chapter). When you are going through hard times who do you think of? Why?
3. What were Jesus' last words?
4. If you had only a few hours to live what would you do? With whom would you want to spend your time?

Let's Talk: Day 26

Today's Reading: John 20:10-18

Make a cave with blankets and crawl inside while you read this passage.

Questions:

1. Who was standing outside the tomb weeping?
2. What did Jesus tell Mary not to do and why?
3. Why do you think Mary did not recognize Jesus at first when she saw Him?
4. How will we identify Jesus when He returns?

Let's Talk: Day 27

Today's Reading: Exodus 12:31-41

Make a map for your child to follow and have it end at the place in your house you want to read your daily chapter. For really adventurous kids, you could make this map outside. God gave the Israelites a path to follow just like your child followed the path to get to you. This chapter was referenced in our John 19 reading from earlier this month.

Questions:

1. Who did God speak to?
2. What did the Israelites ask for from the Egyptians before they left?
3. Has God ever given you clear instruction on where you should go or what you should do?
4. Did you delay, or immediately follow His instructions?

Let's Talk: Day 28

Today's Reading: Today is the weekly OFF day

Suggested Activities:

To illustrate earlier readings from the week, choose one of the following:

1. Go buy a small plant. Cut a piece of the plant off from the main plant. How long does it take to wither?
2. Do a praise jam session at your house. Rejoice in the Lord with song, dance or instruments, or all three.