

50 Days of Easter  
Faith Based Children's Activities  
Week of May 3, 2020

*Each activity has a bible verse and/or scripture that relates to the activity. Invite your children to explore and look these up in the bible. This is a great way to learn where things are in the bible.*

1. 23 PSALM

*The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul.  
He guides me along the right paths  
for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I will fear no evil,  
for you are with me; your rod and your staff,  
they comfort me.*

*You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.  
Surely your goodness and love will follow me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

Yesterday Sunday May 2<sup>nd</sup> was Good Shepherd Sunday. Below is YOUTUBE link to a beautiful video on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6fM4\\_8VU-8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K6fM4_8VU-8)

This week is an opportunity to pray this psalm each night with your family. It can be found:

- on page 612 in the Book of Common Prayer
- in your Bible  
(This can be a great way for your children to navigate and learn how to look up scripture)
- Download from the lectionary page  
[https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearA\\_RCL/Easter/AEaster4\\_RCL.html#ps1](https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearA_RCL/Easter/AEaster4_RCL.html#ps1)



2. The Lord's Prayer

*Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. "This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in heaven...Matthew 6:8-14*

The Lord's Prayer is fundamental to our faith. These are the words that Jesus taught us to pray. Pray this prayer with your children. Have them learn it. Video them praying it and/or video your family praying it together. Please send it to me at [mcarey@sdlife.org](mailto:mcarey@sdlife.org) by May 18<sup>th</sup>. I will create a video montage and post it to our St. David's FB page. This will be both fun for the children to see and it will bless the community.



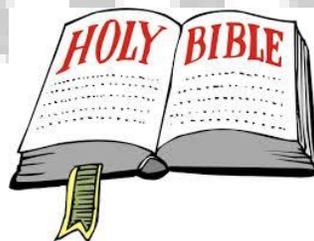
3. The Bible

*Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Matthew 11:29*

Below are two YOUTUBE links that are songs to help learn the names of the books of the bible. Let your children explore and see where these books are located. The Bible is a collection of God's stories. Think of it as a huge chapter book.

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#### 4. Global Aspects of Faith

This lesson/activity can be broken into multiple parts.

Talking about the world and how people all around the world have different faith traditions and how we are all part of God's family can enrich both your child's awareness of the world and people around them. If you have a globe at home, use it to point to a specific country. If you have a map of the world or can print one out do the same thing and put stickers/pins in the map after you discover and talk about a different country. If you are super creative, creating a paper mache globe could be lots of fun for the children <https://www.thesprucecrafts.com/paper-mache-globe-craft-1253090>

Explore the following:

- Where it is the country you are talking about?
- How close it is to where you live?
- Research and talk about the religion of the people who live there
- Research the food and make a family meal from the country you have learned about. When you say prayer before your meal, look up one from that country and/or faith tradition to share.

Below is a list of global scripture through the books of the Bible. Here again, invite you children to look these up in the bible to see where they are located. God's global cause is woven so beautifully throughout scripture. What a beautiful reminder that we all connected to one another and the beautiful earth.

#### **GENESIS**

Through you all the families of the earth shall be blessed. (12:3)

#### **EXODUS**

For all the earth is mine and you shall be to me a Kingdom of Priests. (19:5-6)

#### **LEVITICUS**

The stranger who sojourns with you shall be to you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself. (19:34)

#### **NUMBERS**

A star shall come forth out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel. It shall crush the forehead of Moab and shall break down all the sons of Sheth. Edom shall be dispossessed, Seir also, his enemies, shall be dispossessed while Israel does valiantly. (24:17-18)

#### **DEUTERONOMY**

The Lord will establish you as a people holy to himself, as He has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments.... and all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the Lord; and they shall be afraid of you. (28:9-10)

#### **JOSHUA**

For the Lord your God dried up the waters of the Jordan for you until you passed over.... so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the Lord is mighty. (4:23-24)

#### **JUDGES**

I will not drive out before them any of the nations that Joshua left when he died that by them I may test Israel, whether they will take care to walk in the way of the Lord (2:21-22)

### **RUTH**

Entreat me not to leave you or to return from following you; for where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge; your people will be my people, and your God my God. (1:16)

### **1 SAMUEL**

This day the Lord will deliver you into my hand.... that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. (17:46)

### **2 SAMUEL**

For this I will extol thee, O Lord, among the nations and sing praises to thy name. Great triumphs He gives to His king. (22:50-51)

### **1 KINGS**

Thus King Solomon excelled all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom. And the whole earth sought the presence of Solomon to hear his wisdom, which God had put into his mind. (10:23-24)

### **2 KINGS**

So now, O Lord our God, save us, I beseech thee, from his hand, so that all kingdoms of the earth may know that thou, O Lord, art God alone. (19:19)

### **1 CHRONICLES**

Sing to the Lord, all the earth! Tell of His salvation - day to day. Declare His glory among the nations. (16:23-24)

### **2 CHRONICLES**

Likewise when a foreigner; who is not of thy people Israel, comes from a far country for the sake of thy great name, and thy mighty hand.... hear thou from heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all for which the foreigner calls to thee; in order that all peoples of the earth may know thy name and fear thee. (6:32-33)

### **EZRA**

Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and he has charged me to build him a house at Jerusalem. (1:2)

### **NEHEMIAH**

Thou art the Lord, Thou alone; Thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them.... Thou art the Lord, the God who didst choose Abram and bring him forth (9:6-7)

### **ESTHER**

And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom (of Persia) for such a time as this? (4:14)

### **JOB**

The Lord said to Satan, 'Whence have you come?' Satan answered, 'From going to and fro on the earth.' And the Lord said to Satan, 'Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth?' (1:7-8)

### **PSALMS**

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! (150:6)

### **PROVERBS**

By me (Wisdom) kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; by me princes rule and nobles govern the earth. (8:15-16)

### **ECCLESIASTES**

I know that whatever God does endures forever; nothing can be added to it, nor anything taken from it; God has made it so, in order that men should fear before him. (3:14)

### **SONG OF SOLOMON**

The maidens saw her and called her happy; the queens and concubines also (note: from Solomon's international alliances), and they praised her.(6:9)

### **ISAIAH**

It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob.... I will give you as a Light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. (49:6)

### **JEREMIAH**

And this city shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and a glory before all the nations of the earth who shall hear of all the good that I do for them and shall fear and tremble. (33:9)

### **LAMENTATIONS**

Who has commanded and it came to pass, unless the Lord has ordained it? Is it not from the mouth of the Most High that good and evil come? Why should a living man complain, a man, about the punishment of his sins? (3:37-39)

### **EZEKIEL**

And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them; and the nations will know that I am the Lord when through you I vindicate my holiness. (36:23)

### **DANIEL**

And he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations and languages should serve him. (7:13-14)

### **HOSEA**

Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea' which can neither be measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' it shall be said to them, 'Sons of the living God' (1:10)

### **JOEL**

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. (3:14)

### **AMOS**

In that day I will raise up the booth of David that is fallen and repair its breaches, and raise up its ruins.... that they may possess the remnant of Edom and all the nations who are called by my name. (9:11-12)

**OBADIAH**

Thus says the Lord God concerning Edom: We have heard tidings from the Lord and a messenger has been sent among the nations: 'Rise up! Let us rise against her for battle!' (vs 1)

**JONAH**

And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle? (4:11)

**MICAH**

He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide for strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares. (4:3)

**NAHUM**

The mountains shall quake before Him, the hills melt; the earth is laid waste before Him, the world and all that dwell therein. (1:5)

**HABAKKUK**

For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. (2:14)

**ZEPHANIAH**

For my decision is to gather nations, to assemble kingdoms, to pour out upon them my indignation, all the heat of my anger; for in the fire of my jealous wrath all the earth shall be consumed. (3:8)

**HAGGAI**

And I will shake all nations, so that the treasures of all nations shall come in, and I will fill this House with splendor. (2:7)

**ZECHARIAH**

And the Lord will become king over all the earth; on that day the Lord will be one and His name one. (14:9)

**MALACHI**

For from the rising of the sun to its setting my name shall be great among the nations, and in every place incense shall be offered to my name. (1:11)

**MATTHEW**

Go, and make disciples of all the nations. (28:19)

**MARK**

This gospel must be proclaimed to all the nations. (13:10)

**LUKE**

Repentance and forgiveness of sins must be proclaimed in My name to all nations. (24:47)

**JOHN**

There are other sheep which are not of this fold. I must go and bring them. Then there will be one Shepherd and one fold. (10:16)

**ACTS**

You shall be my witnesses to the ends of the earth. (1:8)

## **ROMANS**

We have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of His name among all the nations. (1:5)

## **I CORINTHIANS**

Then comes the end, when Christ delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. (15:24)

## **II CORINTHIANS**

For God was in Christ reconciling the World back to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them. (5:19)

## **GALATIANS**

In Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham has come upon the nations, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. (3:14)

## **EPHESIANS**

His Plan for the fullness of times is to sum up all things in Christ, things in heaven and things on earth. (1:10)

## **PHILIPPIANS**

That every knee should bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. (2:10)

## **COLOSSIANS**

The Gospel has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and growing. (1:6)

## **I THESSALONIANS**

Your faith in God has gone forth everywhere. (1:8)

## **2 THESSALONIANS**

The Lord will be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance upon those who do not know God and upon those who do not obey the gospel. (1:7-8)

## **I TIMOTHY**

Christ was manifested in the flesh, vindicated in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory. (3:16)

## **2 TIMOTHY**

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom; preach the Word. (4:1)

## **TITUS**

The grace that brings salvation to all men has appeared. (2:11)

## **PHILEMON**

I, Paul, an ambassador and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus, appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment. (vs. 9)

## **HEBREWS**

But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God. (10:12)

## **JAMES**

Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creation. (1:18)

## **1 PETER**

Resist the devil, firm in your faith; know that the same experience of suffering is required of your brotherhood throughout the world. (5:9)

## **2 PETER**

But according to his promise we wait for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwell. (3:13)

## **1 JOHN**

And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent His Son as the Savior of the world. (4:14)

## **2 JOHN**

For many deceivers have gone out into the world, men who will not acknowledge the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh. (vs. 7)

## **3 JOHN**

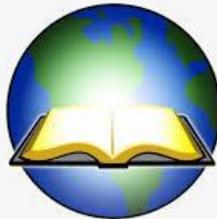
You will do well to send them on their journey as befits God's service. For they have set out for His sake and have accepted nothing from the nations. (vs. 6-7)

## **JUDE**

To the only God, our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. (vs. 25)

## **REVELATION**

Worthy art thou to take the scroll and to open its seals, for thou wast slain and by thy blood didst ransom men for God from every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and hast made them a kingdom and priests to our God. And they shall reign on the earth. (5:9-10)



## 5. Movie Night

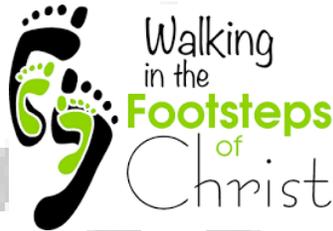
Sometimes the best thing to do is kick your feet up, grab a bowl of popcorn, and watch a good movie that'll lift your spirits and make you smile. Inspiring movies with positive messaging that the whole family can enjoy can be hard to come by. But now, thanks to Netflix's there are a wide range of faith-based films. Sometimes just snuggling and watching is enough, other times this can open rich discussion about the subject matter. Here is a list of a few that will appeal to a variety of ages in your family.

- The Stray  
This faith-based film, filled with strong messages about putting family first, is best watched while cuddling with the family dog.
- The Star  
It's the animated version of the nativity story you never knew you needed — only this time it's told through the perspective of a bunch of furry and adorable animals.
- Joseph: King of Dreams  
In case The Star isn't doing it for you, here's another animated Bible-based movie. This one tells the story of Joseph, who has the unique ability to interpret dreams
- A Cowgirl's Story!  
After her parents leave to serve in Afghanistan, a teenage girl named Dusty goes to live with her grandfather and starts an equestrian rodeo team with her new high school friends. Things take a turn when Dusty's mom goes missing, but everyone rallies for a heartwarming lesson in community values.
- An Interview with God
- If you had the chance to ask God a question, what would it be? After he returns home from covering the war in Afghanistan, journalist Paul Asher gets the chance to sit face to face with a man claiming to be God — and ask him anything.
- Same Kind of Different As Me  
This inspiring film — based on a true story and starring Renee Zellweger and Greg Kinnear — is about a wealthy couple in a failing marriage. While volunteering, they become friends with a homeless man who's able to shift their perspectives and show them what love is really about.
- God's Not Dead: A Light in Darkness  
This inspiring film follows an evangelical college student who holds tightly onto his faith after one professor tries to discredit his beliefs.



6. Walking: 50 Steps – Stop. Pray. Create - Remember the 50 Days of Easter

As we continue to embrace the 50 days of Easter from the Resurrection – Pentecost, you can add a spiritual addition on your daily walks. Have the children count out 50 steps as they walk. Stop. Remind one another that there are 50 days of Easter. Talk about the resurrection. Let the children leave a chalk message/picture and walk 50 more steps and do the same.



7. Sabbath Rest

What will your Sabbath rest look like this week? Talk together as a family and decide what you will do together and alone. Don't forget to spend time with God 😊

