

In God's Big Story

Jesus' friend Lazarus dies, and Lazarus' sisters and friends grieve his death. However, Jesus shows He has power over death when He raises Lazarus to new life.

Wonder Truth: Jesus Has Power over Death

Scripture: John 11

WATCH GOD'S BIG STORY



LAZARUS

[ELEMENTARY VIDEO](#)

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WORD OF WONDER

Work together this week on memorizing this verse!

ELEMENTARY:

He saved us. It wasn't because of the good things we had done. It was because of his mercy. He saved us by washing away our sins. We were born again. The Holy Spirit gave us new life. —Titus 3:5 (NIRV)

EARLY CHILDHOOD:

Jesus forgives our sins, saves us, and gives us new life. —from Titus 3:5

WONDER ABOUT IT!

- What is one thing you are learning about God and the wonder of His big story?
- How do you see God's story as part of your own story?

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FAMILY CONVERSATIONS

Families, use this to prompt conversations at the table, in the car, and anywhere else your family experiences life together.

- Jesus said to roll away the stone in front of the tomb that held Lazarus' body. How do you think you would've felt if you were Mary or Martha?
- Jesus showed how much He loved Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. Who are people in our life that we can love well?
- Mary and Martha showed that they believe Jesus is the Messiah. How can our family show that we believe Jesus is who He says He is?
- Jesus shows that He has power over death. What other things can Jesus help us overcome?



WALK IT ACT IT MOVE IT

Lazarus, Come Out!

For this activity, you will need a roll of toilet paper and laughter! This game can be adapted to play with one adult and child or more than one adult and child(ren). If multiple adults and children are present, then this game can become a competition between pairs.

The object of the game is to see how fast a child in your family can wrap an adult or other child like Lazarus in the tomb who was wrapped in strips of linen. Your child should start by wrapping toilet paper around each leg then the person's torso. Your child can also wrap each arm, and, if the person playing Lazarus is comfortable, can even wrap the person's head. When the wrapping is finished, your child should shout, "Lazarus, come out!"

After the game, you can say the following: **That was fun pretending to wrap Lazarus and shouting for Lazarus to come out of the grave! Isn't it amazing that Jesus really did raise Lazarus to life? Jesus has power over death and sin, and we can trust Him with anything!**



CREATE IT!

Where's Lazarus?

Create your own Lazarus! For this craft, use a toilet paper roll (or an object like a clothespin or craft stick). Use a marker to draw eyes or you can glue on googly eyes if you have some. Finally, you can take strips of paper towels or cloths and glue them to the toilet paper roll to look like Lazarus in his burial clothes.

If you would like to make your craft into a game, get three large shatter-proof cups or mixing bowls and place them in a line. Show your child(ren) as you hide Lazarus under one cup or bowl. Then move the cups/ bowls around, faster for older kids, slower for younger kids. After you have thoroughly mixed up the cups/ bowls, ask your child(ren), "Where's Lazarus?"

Following the craft activity, you can say the following: **Jesus showed us that He has power over death when He raised Lazarus from the grave. He has power to help us in our lives too!**

Great
for
Younger Kids!