

"HIS STORY" PARENT GUIDE

Lesson 3.7: Resurrection

SCRIPTURE: LUKE 24:1-12

SUMMARY

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead separates Christianity from every other religion. Why would anyone follow a weak leader? But Jesus is the triumphant, victorious leader of His people because He demonstrated His resurrection power. When Mary Magdalene found the tomb empty and ran to tell Peter and John about it, the emotional swing of defeat and victory was felt by all who knew and trusted Him. Because of the resurrection, Christians can have full confidence that Jesus not only died for their sin, but that He has power over the grave. And the same power that raised Jesus from the grave is at work in the personal lives of every Christian.



KEY VERSES:

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
(1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

KEY THOUGHT:

In Lesson 3.7 we learned that Jesus rose victoriously from the grave.

KEY WORD:

Redemption: the purchase back of something that had been lost, by the paying of a ransom

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is the one key thought that you learned tonight?
- How do you think Jesus' followers were feeling once He was taken off the cross and put in a tomb?
- What does *redemption* mean in your own words?
- Why do you think Peter and John ran to the tomb when Mary Magdalene told them the body was missing?
- What does Jesus' resurrection tell us about God's power?
- In what ways does Jesus' resurrection give you confidence in His power at work in your life?
- Mary clung to Jesus after she saw Him raised from the dead. What things prevent us from clinging to Jesus in our lives?
- If Jesus hadn't risen from the dead, would Christianity be all that much different than any other world religion? Explain.
- How is the resurrection of Jesus similar to the accounts of Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David?
- What should you do with the lesson you learned tonight? What should we do?

TREK 1: HIS STORY PARENT GUIDE

Unit 3 Review — Redemption

SUMMARY

Unit 3 of *Trek 1* describes how God has a plan for the redemption of His people. Ever since Adam and Eve committed the first sin, humans were separated from God, and they were living under the consequences of that separation. But God's plan was to bring His people out from underneath the weight of that separation by forgiving their sin. He did this by showing that He had a rescuing intent with Noah and the flood that He wanted to make a great nation for Himself through Abraham, that He was a mighty deliverer for His people through Moses, and that He establishes an eternal kingdom through David. Ultimately, it was Jesus' historical death on the cross and His resurrection from the dead that paid for the sins of all who would trust Him. And all who do indeed trust Him are made a part of His eternal kingdom in heaven.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is the one key thought that you learned tonight?
- Why did God choose to destroy mankind at the time of the flood?
- What can you learn from Abraham and his amazing faith?
- Since God delivers His people from hard times, try to describe how much He can be trusted in your own life?
- What do you learn about God's power from the amazing journey of David from shepherd to King?
- What does Emmanuel mean and how did Emmanuel change the entire course of history?
- Describe how Jesus is our ultimate sacrifice?
- What does "redemption" mean in your own words?
- How does the fact that Jesus rose from the dead impact our lives as Christians today?
- What should you do with the lesson you learned tonight? What should we do?