



HOMEGUIDE

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Lesson 2.4



DRAW IT!

How does it make you feel to know that you can have eternal life by looking to Jesus? Draw a picture of it.

JOURNAL IT!

Pretend that someone asked you how to become a follower of Jesus. Write a letter to them explaining the “ABC’s.”

THIS WEEK WE LEARNED

THE BRONZE SNAKE

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BIBLE BASIS: Numbers 21:1-9

KEY VERSE: “Moses lifted up the snake in the desert. In the same way, the Son of Man must also be lifted up. Then everyone who believes may have eternal life in Him.” John 3:14-15 (NIV)



READ IT!

Numbers 21:4-9. Write to God your favorite part of the story. Tell Him why you liked it.

PRAY IT!

Write a prayer to God telling Him about some ways you've sinned. Tell God you're sorry and ask Him for forgiveness.

NEXT WEEK'S LESSON

CROSSING THE JORDAN: THE PROMISED LAND

BIG IDEA: God wants us to remember all of the great things He has done for us.

BIBLE BASIS: Joshua 3-4

KEY VERSE: "Remember the wonderful things he has done. Remember his miracles and how he judged our enemies." Psalm 105:5 (NIV)



GROUP ACTIVITY

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Pass the Lollipop

Supplies: Lollipop (1 per person), Bible Verse Sign (1 per group)

Say: In today’s Bible story, we heard a story where God told the Israelites to do something that seemed really hard. Wasn’t that a pretty amazing story?! Even though the Israelites complained and spoke out against God, God showed them mercy. Who can tell me what “mercy” means? (*Showing someone forgiveness even if they deserve to be punished.*) Even though the Israelites deserved to be punished for speaking out against God, God forgave them and provided a way for them to escape death from the snake bite. So you see—the story of the bronze snake gives us a picture of God’s mercy for the Israelites through Moses. But here’s the really cool part—the story of the bronze snake also gives us a snapshot of God’s mercy for us through Jesus. Let’s memorize this verse together to remind us that when we believe in Jesus, we will have eternal life in Him.

Directions: Place the Bible verse sign in the middle of the group.

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Begin the game by passing a lollipop around the circle. As the lollipop is being passed, have the kids read or recite the Bible verse. When the group has finished reciting the verse, the lollipop can no longer be passed (just like in the game “Hot Potato”). Next, flip the Bible verse card over so that the verse is no longer visible. Have the kid who is holding the lollipop recite the verse from memory along with the kids sitting to the left and right. If the kid holding the lollipop successfully recites the verse, they can keep the lollipop. Otherwise, they have to give it back. Begin passing another lollipop around the circle and repeat the previous instructions. Continue until the kids have confidently memorized the verse. When finished, consider giving a lollipop to any kid who didn’t get one.

Question: Do you think the Israelites deserved God’s mercy? Why or why not? Do you think you deserve God’s mercy?

Question: Has anyone here already prayed to become a Christian? How did it happen for you?



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JOHN 3:14-15

SNAPSHOT