

Bible Lessons Year 1

God is our Saviour

3 Weeks



Outcomes:

At the completion of this module students will understand:

- The events leading up to Easter
- The reason Jesus died on the cross
- That Jesus came alive again and is still alive today

Related classroom topics for Science, Social Studies and Health:

The study of a country: Fiji

Link between “God is our Saviour” and classroom topics:

John 3:16 For God loved the world so much that He sent his only son so that whoever believes in Him should not die but have everlasting life.

God wants the people of every country in the whole world to come to know Him, so that they can live forever with Him in heaven. People of every nation can come to know the true God by asking Jesus to forgive their sins and then to follow Him. Some people have never heard about Jesus so those who know about Him must tell others. How did Fijians come to know about Jesus?

Values:

Fijian national curriculum values: faith; respect for truth; love for all people

Other related values: thankfulness

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Week 1

Easter 1

Bible reference: Matthew 26

Bible lesson: Supper with Jesus

“Where will we eat?” Jesus friends asked.

Jesus told them where it would be.

They would eat at a house in Jerusalem.

So Jesus’ friends went there.

They put the supper together.

Then Jesus and his twelve friends ate together.

“Eat this bread,” Jesus said. “When I am gone, you will do this again and again. Then you will think of the way I died for you.”

Jesus’ friends ate the bread. But they were sad. They did not want Jesus to die.

“Drink from this cup,” Jesus said. “When I am gone you will do this again and again. Then you will think of the way I died for you.”

Jesus’ friends drank from the cup. But they were sad. They did not want Jesus to die.

Suddenly the friends heard someone singing. It was Jesus. Jesus friends began to sing too.

This was a special time because Jesus was so special.

Questions:

Who was eating together?

What did Jesus give his friends?

Why were Jesus’ friends sad?

Discussion

Tell the person next to you about a special time when you ate together with family or friends.

Why is eating together special?

What was special about the meal that Jesus shared with his friends?

Activity

Draw Jesus and his twelve friends sharing a meal together. What food and drink must you include in the drawing?



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Week 2

Easter 2

Bible reference: Matthew 27

Bible Lesson: The love of Jesus

Jesus had never done anything wrong. But some men did not like Jesus. They knew that he had done miracles. They knew that the people thought he was great. They thought that the people might want Jesus to be their king instead of their own king. They were jealous because people liked him so much. They wanted him to be killed. "Nail that man to the cross!" they said.

The men nailed Jesus to the cross.

Then they watched him die.

Jesus had not hurt these men. But they were hurting him.

Jesus talked to God about these men.

"Please God, forgive them," he prayed.

The people watching had not seen a man like this.

Jesus even loved the people who were hurting him.

"That man is God's son," said one of them.

When Jesus died on the cross, he showed how much he loved them. And he shows how much he loves you and me.

How much does Jesus love us? He loves us so much that he died so we can come to God.

Questions:

Did Jesus love the men who hurt him?

Did he forgive them?

Discussion:

Do we ever hurt other people? How?

Does he love and forgive us for hurting other people?

How can we show Jesus that we love him with our:

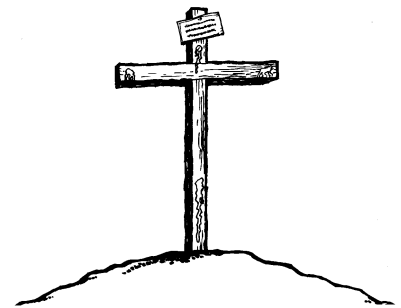
Ears?

Eyes?

Mouth?

Feet?

Hands?



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Week 3

Easter 3

Bible reference: John 20

Bible Lesson: Jesus is alive again

Jesus had a friend called Mary. This story is about the friend called Mary and Jesus, not Jesus' mother who was also called Mary.

Mary was so sad.
Some men had killed Jesus.
Now Mary came to see where they had put him.
But Jesus was not there.
"Someone has taken him away," said Mary.
Mary began to cry.
Then some angels talked to Mary.
"Why are you crying?" they asked.
"Someone has taken Jesus away," she said.
Then Mary saw a man coming. "Why are you crying? He asked.
"Someone has taken Jesus away," she said.
"Mary!" the man said.
"Jesus!" said Mary.
Mary was so happy.
Jesus was alive again!
"I cannot stay with you," Jesus said.
"I must go back to my home in heaven."
Now Mary knew that Jesus was God's Son.

Questions:

- Why did Mary cry?
- Who came to see her?
- What did he tell Mary?
- Who is Jesus?
- How did Mary know that Jesus was God's Son?

Discussion

When Jesus died on the cross he died for all the wrong things that people have done. This means that people who ask Jesus to forgive them can have a home in heaven with Jesus when they die.
Who can live in heaven with Jesus?

