

PRAY N' PLAY

The Life of Jesus

A 40-DAY JOURNEY WITH THE SAVIOR



WEEK 1

Baptism of Jesus

Read: MARK 1:9-11

Play:

- ATTEND AN ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE AS A FAMILY.
- PLACE BIBLICAL AFFIRMATIONS AROUND YOUR HOME TO REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE IN CHRIST.
- IN THE BATHTUB OR A WATER TABLE, 'BAPTIZE' TOYS. CHOOSE SOME TOYS TO PLAY JESUS AND JOHN THE BAPTIST.

Pray:

BEFORE JESUS BEGAN HIS MINISTRY, GOD MADE A PROCLAMATION THAT JESUS WAS BELOVED. BEFORE HE DID ANYTHING, HE WAS ALREADY LOVED. AND WE ALSO ARE LOVED. AS WE START THIS STUDY OF JESUS'S LIFE MAY WE REMEMBER GOD LOVES US. WE DON'T DO ANYTHING TO EARN THIS LOVE. WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN AND GOD LOVES US.

DEAR GOD, MAY WE REST IN KNOWING YOU LOVE US. AMEN.

Recommended resources:

- 'BAPTIZED IN THE WATER: BECOMING A MEMBER OF GOD'S FAMILY' BY GLENYS NELLIST
- 'THE BAPTISM OF JESUS: A STORY FROM THE JORDAN RIVER' BY REV. JIM REIMANN
- VIDEO: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA: EL BAUTISMO DE JESÚS' POR SADDLEBACK KIDS
- VIDEO: 'THE BAPTISM OF JESUS' BY SADDLEBACK KIDS
- PODCAST: TRUTH SEEKERS: JOHN THE BAPTIST PREPARES THE WAY (THE BAPTISM OF JESUS)
- PODCAST: HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA CON KIDS CDV: JESÚS ES BAUTIZADO



WEEK 2

The Sermon on the Mount

Read: MATTHEW 6:25-34

Play:

- MAKE A BIRD FEEDER.
- MAKE A LIST OF YOUR BLESSINGS. REMEMBER GOD CARES FOR YOU.
- GO FOR A NATURE WALK AND WATCH FOR BIRDS. HOW MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF BIRDS CAN YOU FIND?

Pray:

WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN. JESUS ENCOURAGES US TO REMEMBER THIS. IF GOD TAKES CARE OF THE WILD BIRDS, HOW MUCH MORE DOES OUR HEAVEN PARENT CARE FOR US?

GOD, WHEN WE ARE WORRIED, REMINDS US YOU CARE FOR YOUR CHILDREN. AMEN

Recommended resources:

- 'NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC LITTLE KIDS FIRST BIG BOOK OF BIRDS
- 'EL GRAN LIBRO DE LAS AVES' POR YUVAL ZOMMER
- 'TEN LITTLE BIRDS/ DIEZ PAJARITOS' POR 123 ANDRÉS
- SONG: 'DO NOT WORRY' BY STEVE GREEN
- SONG: 'NO TE AFANES' POR STEVE GREEN
- SONG: 'DO NOT WORRY' BY ELLIE HOLCOMB
- PODCAST: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA CON KIDS CDV: LAS PREOCUPACIONES'



WEEK 3

Jesus Calms the Storm

Read: MARK 4:35-41

Play:

-ADD TOY BOATS TO A BATH OR WATER TABLE. PRETEND TO BE A STORM AND MAKE WAVES. THEN PRACTICE BEING CALM.

-MAKE A RAIN STICK. AS YOU LISTEN TO YOUR RAIN STICK PRACTICE BREATHING AND REMEMBER JESUS CALMS THE STORMS.

-DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE FACING A 'STORM' CONSIDER TAKING THEM A MEAL TO HELP BRING SOME CALM.

Pray:

JESUS WAS ASLEEP WHILE HIS FRIENDS FACED A STORM. BUT THIS DID NOT MEAN HE DIDN'T CARE OR HAVE CONTROL. HE CALMED THE STORM, PROVING HE WAS GOD. AND HE CALMS THE STORMS IN OUR LIVES TOO.

DEAR GOD, WHEN WE FEEL AFRAID, AND LIFE FEELS LIKE A STORM, HELP US TRUST YOU. REMIND US THAT YOU HAVE THE POWER TO CALM EVERY STORM. AMEN.

Recommended resources:

- 'THE STORM THAT STOPPED' BY ALISON MITCHELL
- 'EL MILAGRO DE LA TORMENTA' POR ALISON MITCHELL
- PODCAST: 'KIDS BIBLE STORIES: JESUS CALMS THE STORM'
- PODCAST: 'SU HISTORIA: JESÚS CALMA LA TEMPESTAD'
- VIDEO: 'JESUS CALMS THE STORM' BY SADDLEBACK KIDS
- VIDEO: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA: JESÚS CALMA LA TORMENTA' POR SADDLEBACK KIDS
- SONG: 'JESÚS Y LA TORMENTA' POR PEQUEÑOS HEROES



Jesus Feeds the 5,000

Read: MARK 6:30-44

Play:

- MAKE A TUNA FISH SANDWICH AND HAVE A PICNIC LIKE THE CROWD JESUS FED.
- COLLECT ITEMS FOR YOUR LOCAL FOOD PANTRY. MAY WE ALSO GIVE FROM OUR OWN BLESSINGS.
- PLAY WITH COLORED FISH CRACKERS. COUNT THEM, SORT THEM, AND GRAPH THEM. REMEMBER THAT JESUS MADE JUST A SMALL AMOUNT OF BREAD AND FISH, MORE THAN ENOUGH.

Pray:

WHEN THE CROWD WAS HUNGRY, JESUS SAID THANK YOU FOR WHAT THEY HAD, AND THE MEAL MULTIPLIED.

DEAR GOD, WHEN WE ARE TEMPTED TO FEEL LIKE WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH, REMIND US THAT YOU PROVIDE. AMEN.

Recommended resources:

- 'THE BOY WHO SHARED HIS SANDWICH' BY STEPH WILLIAMS
- 'JESUS FEEDS THE MULTITUDE/ JESÚS ALIMENTA A LA MULTITUD' POR ERIK J. ROTTMAN
- PODCAST: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA CON KIDS CDV: LA ALIMENTACIÓN DE LOS CINCO MIL.'
- VIDEO: 'JESUS FEEDS THE 5,000' BY SADDLEBACK KIDS
- VIDEO: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA: JESÚS ALIMENTA A LOS 5000' POR SADDLEBACK KIDS



WEEK 5

Jesus Heals

Read: MATTHEW 4:23

Play:

- PLAY WITH A DOCTOR'S KIT. REMEMBER THAT JESUS IS OUR HEALER.
- CONSIDER DONATING A NEW TOY TO YOUR LOCAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.
- DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS SICK? TAKE SOME TIME TO PRAY FOR THEM AND MAKE THEM A 'GET WELL' CARD.

Pray:

JESUS HEALED EVERY DISEASE AND SICKNESS. GOD CARES ABOUT OUR PHYSICAL BODIES.

DEAR GOD, YOU ARE OUR HEALER. AMEN.

TAKE SOME TIME TO PRAY FOR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WHO IS SICK.

Recommended resources:

- 'JESUS HEALS' BY DANIELLE HITCHENS
- 'EL HOMBRE QUE NO SE QUEDÓ CALLADO' POR STEPH WILLIAMS
- 'THE MAN WHO WOULD NOT BE QUIET' BY STEPH WILLIAMS
- VIDEO: 'JESÚS SANA A UN PARALÍTICO' POR SADDLEBACK KIDS
- VIDEO: 'JESUS HEALS A PARALYZED MAN' BY SADDLEBACK KIDS
- PODCAST: 'JESUS IS BETTER: EPISODE 48: LUKE 7 JESUS HEALS, RAISES THE DEAD, AND FORGIVES.
- PODCAST: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA CON KIDS CDV: JESÚS SANA A UN CIEGO DE NACIMIENTO'



WEEK 6

Jesus and the Children

Read: MARK 10: 13-16

Play:

- SING 'JESUS LOVES ME.'
- COLLECT COINS TO DONATE TO A CHILDREN'S ORGANIZATION OF CHOICE.
- PLAY AT YOUR LOCAL PLAYGROUND. SAY A SHORT PRAYER FOR THE CHILDREN WHO PLAY THERE.

Pray:

JESUS LOVES AND CARES ABOUT CHILDREN. IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD CHILDREN ARE NOT LESS THAN. THEY ARE IMPORTANT MEMBERS OF GOD'S FAMILY.

DEAR GOD, THANK YOU FOR CARING ABOUT KIDS.
AMEN.

Recommended resources:

- 'NEVER TOO LITTLE' BY STEPH WILLIAMS
- 'NUNCA ERES DEMASIADO PEQUEÑO' POR STEPH WILLIAMS
- 'JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN' BY DALLAS AND AMANDA JENKINS
- VIDEO: 'JESUS AND THE CHILDREN' BY SADDLEBACK KIDS
- PODCAST: 'KIDS BIBLE STORIES: THE LITTLE CHILDREN AND JESUS'
- PODCAST: 'SU HISTORIA: DEJAD A LOS NIÑOS VENIR A MI'
- SONG: 'DEJAD A LOS NIÑOS VENIR' POR STEVE GREEN
- SONG: 'LET THE CHILDREN COME TO ME' BY SLUGS AND BUGS



Palm Sunday

Read: MARK 11:1-11

Play:

- GATHER PALM BRANCHES OR MAKE SOME FROM PAPER.
- HAVE A PRAISE PARTY! TURN ON SOME PRAISE MUSIC, AND WAVE PALM BRANCHES AND FLAGS. SHOUT 'HOSANNA!'
- GO ON A NATURE WALK. LOOK FOR SIGNS OF SPRING. THINK ABOUT THE WAY JESUS MAKES ALL THINGS NEW.

Pray:

THE PEOPLE SHOUTED 'HOSANNA!' BECAUSE THEY WANTED HIM TO BE THEIR KING. HE CAME TO BE SO MUCH MORE THAN THEIR KING: THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD.

WE CAN ALSO SHOUT 'HOSANNA!' KNOWING AND TRUSTING THAT JESUS HAS COME TO REDEEM THE WORLD AND IS MAKING ALL THINGS AS THEY SHOULD BE.

HOSANNA! AMEN!

Recommended resources:

- 'BARE TREE AND LITTLE WIND' BY MITALI PERKINS
- 'EL BURRITO QUE CARGO A UN REY' POR R.C. SPROUL
- 'THE DONKEY WHO CARRIED A KING' BY R.C. SPROUL
- SONG: 'HOSANNA ROCK' BY YANCY
- SONG: 'HOSANNA' POR YANCY
- SONG: 'SHOUT HOSANNA!' BY ROB EVANS
- PODCAST: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA CON KIDS CDV: JESÚS VA A JERUSALÉN'



Holy Thursday

Read: JOHN 13:1-17

Play:

- WASH EACH OTHER'S FEET.
- MAKE A PLAN TO SERVE ONE OF YOUR NEIGHBORS. MAKE AN EASTER BASKET TO BLESS YOUR NEIGHBOR, BRING THEM A MEAL, OR VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH YARD WORK.

Pray:

WHEN JESUS WASHED HIS FRIENDS' DIRTY FEET, HE WAS ALSO PROMISING TO WASH THEIR HEARTS, SO THEY COULD BE RIGHT WITH GOD.

DEAR GOD, AS WE WASH EACH OTHER'S FEET, WASH OUR HEARTS. MAKE US RIGHT WITH YOU. AND TEACH US TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS YOU LOVE US. AMEN.

Recommended resources:

- 'JESUS WASHES PETER'S FEET' BY CONCORDIA PUBLISHING HOUSE
- 'JESÚS LAVA LOS PIES A SUS DISCÍPULOS' POR CONCORDIA PUBLISHING HOUSE
- SONG: 'JESUS WASHES PETER'S FEET' BY THE WONDER KIDS
- PODCAST: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA CON KIDS CDV: JESÚS Y LA ÚLTIMA CENA'
- VIDEO: 'JESUS WASHES HIS DISCIPLES' FEET' BY SADDLEBACK KIDS
- VIDEO: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA: JESÚS LE LAVA LOS PIES A SUS DISCÍPULOS' POR SADDLEBACK KIDS



Good Friday

Read: LUKE 23:44-46

Play:

- START A RESURRECTION GARDEN.
- TAKE THE EUCHARIST TOGETHER.
- MAKE A CROSS CRAFT.

Pray:

JESUS DIED TO FIX THE BROKENNESS OF THE WORLD. IT WAS PART OF GOD'S PLAN TO MAKE ALL THINGS RIGHT. BUT DON'T WORRY, THE STORY ISN'T FINISHED. IN THREE DAYS, HE WOULD COME BACK TO LIFE AND CHANGE THE WORLD FOREVER.

DEAR GOD, SOMETIMES LIFE SEEMS SCARY AND DARK. HELP US TO TRUST YOU EVEN THEN. THANK YOU THAT THE CROSS IS NOT THE END OF THE STORY, BUT YOU ALWAYS COMPLETE YOUR PLANS. AMEN.



Recommended resources:

- 'THE GARDEN, THE CURTAIN, AND THE CROSS' BY CARL LAFERTON
- 'EL JARDÍN, LA CORTINA Y LA CRUZ' POR CARL LAFERTON
- 'GOD'S VERY GOOD IDEA' BY TRILLIA NEWBELL
- 'LA GRAN IDEA DE DIOS' POR TRILLIA NEWBELL
- 'LOVE GAVE' BY QUINA ARAGON
- 'THE STORY OF US' BY MITALI PERKINS

Resurrection Sunday

Read: LUKE 24:1-12

Play:

-GO TO CHURCH! OUR 'CHURCH DAY' IS SUNDAY BECAUSE OF THE RESURRECTION!

-COLOR EASTER EGGS. EGGS FILLED WITH CONFETTI OR CANDY REMIND US OF THE JOY WE FIND IN CHRIST'S RESURRECTION!

-HAVE A PARTY. JESUS IS ALIVE. LET'S CELEBRATE!

Pray:

JESUS IS ALIVE! THIS WAS THE ULTIMATE PART OF GOD'S GOOD PLAN. JESUS CAME BACK TO LIFE SO THAT WE ALSO CAN HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD AND EXPERIENCE LIFE TO THE FULLEST.

DEAR GOD, THANK YOU THAT JESUS NOT ONLY DIED BUT CAME BACK TO LIFE. THANK YOU THAT WE CAN HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU BECAUSE OF JESUS. AMEN.

Recommended Resources:

- 'A VERY HAPPY EASTER' BY TIM THORNBOROUGH
- 'MI PEQUEÑA HISTORIA DE LA PASCUA' POR CHRISTINA GOODINGS
- PODCAST: 'HISTORIAS DE LA BIBLIA CON KIDS CDV: JESÚS RESUCITA'
- PODCAST: 'JESUS IS BETTER: EPISODE 65: LUKE 24:1-49: JESUS IS ALIVE!'
- SONG: 'ONE, TWO, THREE' BY YANCY
- SONG: 'UNO, DOS, TRES' POR YANCY
- SONG: 'JESÚS MI SALVADOR' POR GENERACIÓN 12 KIDS
- SONG: 'JESUS IS ALIVE' BY ORANGE KIDS MUSIC



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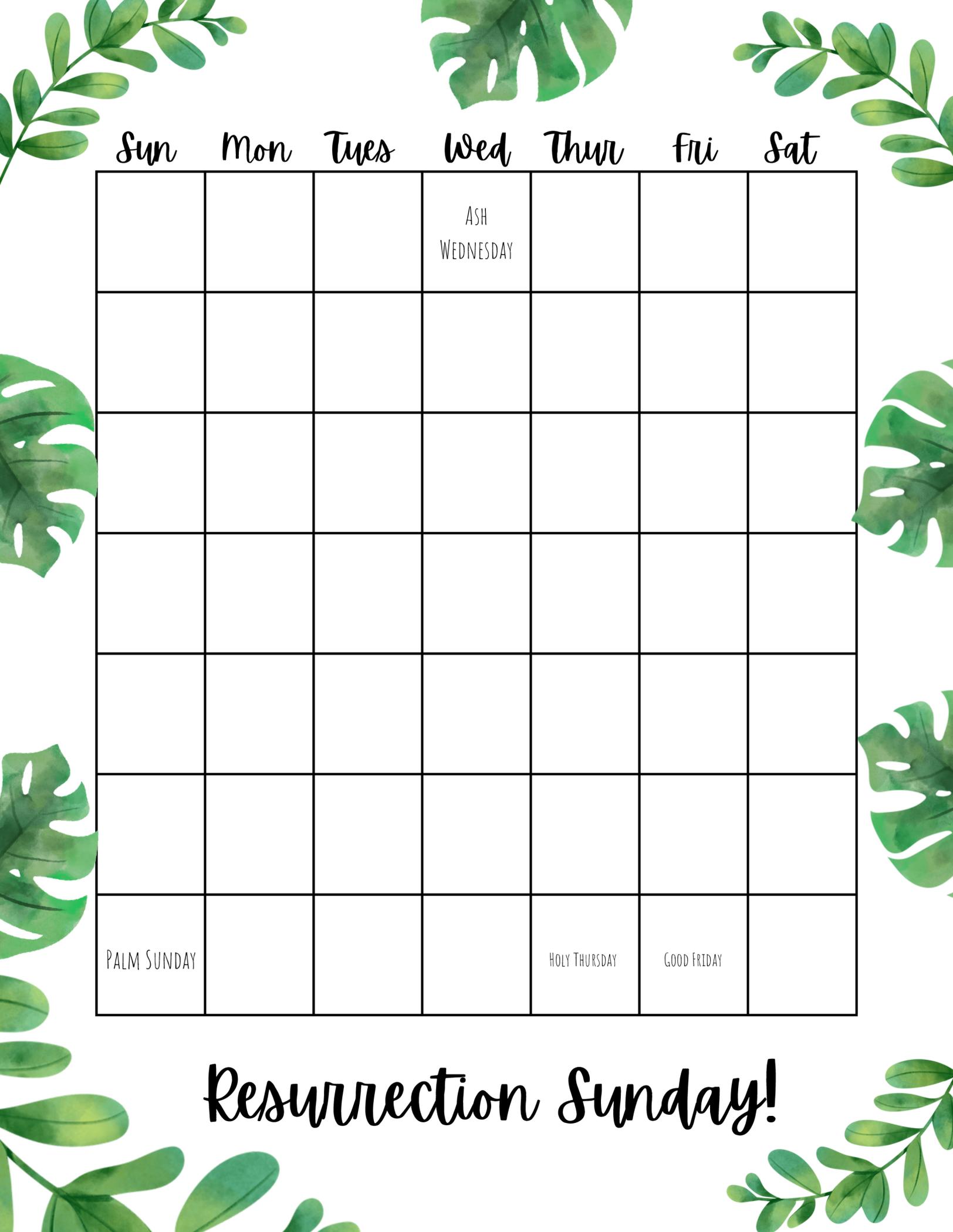
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GO TO CHURCH	READ: MARK 4:35-41	WATER PLAY	MAKE A RAIN STICK	MAKE A MEAL FOR SOMEONE IN A 'STORM.'	FAST FROM SECULAR MUSIC. HAVE A PRAISE PARTY.	REST
GO TO CHURCH	READ: MARK 6:30-44	HAVE A PICNIC	COLLECT FOOD FOR YOUR LOCAL FOOD BANK	PLAY WITH FISH CRACKERS	FAST FROM SWEETS. REMEMBER GOD PROVIDES ALL WE NEED.	REST
GO TO CHURCH	READ: MATTHEW 4:23	PRAY FOR A FRIEND THAT IS SICK	PLAY WITH A DOCTOR'S KIT	READ ABOUT ONE OF JESUS' HEALING MIRACLES	DONATE A NEW TOY TO YOUR LOCAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.	REST
GO TO CHURCH	READ: MARK 10:13-16	PRAY FOR THE KIDS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD	PLAY AT A LOCAL PLAYGROUND	COLLECT MONEY FOR A CHILDREN'S ORGANIZATION	SING 'JESUS LOVES ME'	REST
PALM SUNDAY	MAKE A PAPER PALM LEAF	HAVE A PRAISE PARTY	MAKE A PLAN TO BLESS A NEIGHBOR	HOLY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	REST

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