

Dear Children's Ministry Leaders,

In light of churches across the country closing in response to COVID-19 safety precautions, we at Group Publishing want to ensure that your children continue to receive spiritual nurturing. As a result, Group is allowing churches who use our materials to send families lessons and student materials your kids would normally participate in at church. We hope you enjoy using this content in a different way, and that your kids are impacted.

Group is extending the following permissions to churches upon request:

- 1. Permission to share the included student materials with families from your churches via email, postal service, or a privately accessible, password-protected website that only families from your church can access.**
- 2. Permission to share other elements from the week's lesson, such as the teacher guide that goes along with this lesson, with families from your churches via email, postal service, or a privately accessible, password-protected website that only families from your church can access.**
- 3. Permission to share a video recording presenting this lesson with families via your church website or platform of your choice. (We ask that you remove the video each week when you post a new one.)**

You may decide to offer a video broadcast or pre-recorded video where you and your regular Children's Ministry crew lead these lessons digitally for families to partake in at home. Or you may encourage parents to lead these lessons, which creates a fun opportunity for them to see what a typical lesson for their kids is like.

This permission is granted on a limited basis for as long as your church is unable to meet in person. Families are encouraged to use these materials within their households, but may not publish or share them in any way outside of your church family.

If you want to use Group's materials beyond these permissions, email permissions@group.com.

We hope God blesses your congregation through this unusual season, and that your community remains strong even though for a time you may not be meeting together.

God bless you, and stay healthy!

- Your friends at Group Publishing



Name _____



Peter Explains Belief in Jesus

1 Peter 1:3-9



Instructions: Set out colorful sequins and glue sticks. As children trace the rays of light with glue sticks, ask kids to tell you what they think it will be like in heaven with Jesus. Then have children sprinkle sequins over the glue. Remind children that we believe in Jesus. *(For additional instructions, see the Teacher Guide.)*

Make a tasty treat with your child. As you work and hope that the treat turns out, talk with your child about the hope we have in Jesus. Help your child



What I Learned Today...

Bible Time: This week's Scripture (1 Peter 1:3-9) tells us to believe in Jesus. Peter, one of Jesus' disciples, wrote to tell people about Jesus. Peter said, "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!" Sometimes life is hard, but Jesus gives us hope during those hard times. Although we can't see Jesus now, we can believe in him, love him, and be happy because of him. Because Jesus rose from the dead, everyone who believes in him will live forever in heaven with him!

Key Verse: "Jesus loved me and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

combine the following ingredients in a blender: a 3-ounce package of strawberry gelatin, ½ cup boiling water, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 ripe banana, and a 10-ounce package of frozen strawberries. Blend the ingredients for one minute or until smooth. Help your child pour the mixture into plastic cups, and set the cups in the freezer. When the mixture is almost frozen, have your child place a clean craft stick in the center of each cup. Then, when the treats are completely frozen, eat and enjoy!

ASK 🌀 **What did you believe about our treats as we made them?**

🌀 **What do we believe about Jesus?**

Teach your child this song

to the tune of "Frère Jacques."



Jesus is here. Jesus is here. I believe in Jesus. I believe in Jesus. That is true. That is true. How 'bout you? How 'bout you?

Take turns telling each other things you believe about Jesus, and then sing the song again!

Daily Challenge

Your child learned that we believe in Jesus. He or she committed to one of the following challenges to believe in Jesus during daily life. Help your child weave faith into life this week and

follow through on the challenge!

- 🌀 Ask each person in your family to share something he or she believes about Jesus.
- 🌀 Ask your mom or dad to read you a favorite Bible passage about Jesus.
- 🌀 Draw pictures of all the things you believe about Jesus on a piece of paper. Have your mom or dad help you send the picture to someone you know.

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