

SUNDAY FUNDAY

NOVEMBER 15, 2020
THE EMMAUS DISCIPLES

GAME TIME

WHOSE VOICE?

Select someone to stand at one end of the room and face away from the other players. Display today's Story Point (Jesus taught that all the Scriptures point to Him) for the other players to read and silently select one player to read it out loud. Challenge the kid facing away from the group to guess who read it based only on the reader's voice. Play multiple rounds, choosing different kids to be the guesser and the reader.

SAY: Today we will hear about a time two disciples talked with Jesus for a long time but didn't realize who He was! What do you think those two did when God revealed whom they were speaking with? We'll learn more soon.

BIBLE STORY

The Emmaus Disciples Luke 24

On the day that Jesus rose from the dead, two of Jesus' disciples were walking to a village called Emmaus. The two disciples were talking about everything that had happened. As they talked, Jesus came and began to walk with them, but the disciples did not recognize Him.

Jesus asked the disciples, "What are you talking about?"

The disciples stopped walking. They looked sad. One of the disciples, Cleopas, answered, "Are you the only one in Jerusalem who hasn't heard what happened?"

"What happened?" Jesus asked.

So they told Him, "Jesus of Nazareth was a Prophet. He was powerful when He acted and spoke before God and all the people. The religious leaders handed Jesus over to be sentenced to death, and they nailed Him to a cross.

"We had hoped He was the One who would set Israel free. Besides, it's the third day since these things happened. Early this morning, some women went to the tomb and did not find Jesus' body. They saw angels, who said that Jesus is alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb, and they too saw that the tomb was empty."

Jesus said, "You are foolish to not believe what the prophets said! Isn't this what had to happen to the Messiah?" Then, beginning with Moses and the Prophets, Jesus explained to them what all the Scriptures said about Him.

Jesus and the two disciples arrived at Emmaus, and they asked

BLIND TOSS

Instruct players to form a line. Place an empty basket opposite the kids. Blindfold the first kid in line and give her a tennis ball. Invite her to toss the ball into the basket. Allow each kid to take a turn. Consider awarding points to kids who successfully land the ball in the basket. You may play additional rounds without the blindfold for comparison.

SAY: After Jesus rose from the dead, different people saw Him at different times, but some of them were still spiritually blind to the truth about Him found in God's Word. Today we will learn about a time Jesus helped two disciples better understand the full truth about Himself.



Jesus to stay with them. So Jesus joined them at the dinner table. He took the bread, thanked God for it, and broke it into pieces. Then He gave the pieces to the disciples. Right away, the disciples recognized Jesus! But Jesus immediately disappeared from their sight.

The two disciples thought about their walk to Emmaus. They said, "When Jesus talked to us on the road and explained the Scriptures, didn't our hearts burn with excitement?"

The disciples immediately left Emmaus and went back to Jerusalem. They found Jesus' eleven disciples and others who gathered with them. They told them what happened. They said, "Simon saw Jesus too! Jesus is alive!"

CHRIST CONNECTION: The whole Bible is about Jesus. When Adam and Eve sinned, God began working out His plan to send Jesus to rescue people from sin. All of the Old Testament points forward to Jesus' life, death, and resurrection—the time when Jesus would bring God's promised salvation for sinners.