



# RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

May 10, 2020

*Remember: this guide is meant to help facilitate conversations and engagement with Jesus throughout the week, so don't feel like you need to do this all in one day!*

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## What We're Learning This Week

### **"HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH" PHILIPPIANS 1:19-26**

Our lesson this week covers Philippians 1:19-26, where we learn that God gives us purpose in life and why we do not need to have fear in death.

#### **Before we meet together on Sunday**

- Initiate and/or continue conversations as a family regarding everything going on in our world today, how your kids are feeling and processing it all, and how they can still trust in the promises of God through it all. Read through the [Family Resources for Current Events](#) page for equipping and resources for all of that.

#### **After the kids watch the video on Sunday**

##### **Discipleship Through Scripture and Conversation**

- Talk to your kids about the Bible lesson they watched on video. Ask them to explain what they learned/what stuck out to them in the video, and expand upon the truths of the Bible that they are bringing up. Some helpful conversations this week could be:
  1. Paul famously writes that "to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Like in the video, we will start with what he means when he says "to live is Christ."
    - What does Paul say is the purpose of life? How can we grow in knowing God, loving God, and serving God? How can we grow in loving and serving other people?
    - What are the temptations you face in life? How do they draw us away from loving God and serving others? How does God call us to respond to those things? And how can we receive power and motivation from who God is and what He has done?
  2. Paul saying "To die is gain" is a big claim and one that we need to talk through together.
    - Why can Paul say that dying is gain? What do we gain? Why is being in the presence of God and with God something we can have so much hope and joy in? When you hear that we will be in the presence of God forever, how does that make you feel - what are you excited for or nervous about?

- How does Jesus' death and resurrection change how we view death? What hope and comfort does it bring? How does it bring honor and praise to God?
3. Additional resources for Preteen students:
- Watch [this video](#) from the Bible Project on the book of Philippians.

### **Discipleship through prayer**

- Spend time this week praising God for the hope we have in life and in death! Pray for wisdom on who God is calling you to serve and love at this time. Pray for peace and a healthy view of death that is rooted in the promises of God. Continue to pray for everything surrounding coronavirus - for safety, for healing, for unity, and for specific people you can serve as a family.
- Ask each member of your family - adults included - to share one thing they would like prayer over. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

## What's Coming Up?

- Follow us on Instagram for daily story time! Our handle is [@RealityLAKids](#)
- Stay connected by joining the [RLA Kids page on RLA Connect](#)
- Continue to be informed through the [Family Resources for Current Events](#) page for equipping and resources for all of that.

## Do Your Kids Have Questions About the Video? Want to See Something on the Videos?

We love hearing from you! You can email [kids@realityla.com](mailto:kids@realityla.com) at any time with any feedback or questions that your kids have about the video lesson (or any of your thoughts)...we would love to read some on our next video and answer them! We also them want to see us be silly, so send suggestions in and we will see what we can do. We also love to be praying with and alongside your family, so please send over prayer requests as well (those will be kept off screen, we just want to pray with and for you.)