

RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

November 22, 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!

What We're Learning This Week

"HOW GOD SAVES" NUMBERS 22-24

Balaam the prophet was called by the evil king Balak to curse the Israelites. After initially refusing, Balaam eventually disobeyed God's commands and went to visit Balak. On the way, his donkey stopped in the road and began speaking to him! God miraculously made the donkey talk for a purpose: to get Balaam to listen to God. When God speaks He wants us to listen. Hebrews 1 tells us that God has spoken to us by His Son, Jesus. If we want to hear God we must look to Jesus and to God's Word.

Discipleship Through Scripture + 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:

- Balaam's role was to listen to God and to share His words with the people. He failed to do that, so God performed a miracle to get him to listen.
 - What are ways that God speaks to us now? How can we hear from Him and talk to Him? In what ways do you find that easy, and what ways is it hard?
 - What are ways we can be distracted from hearing from God? What are ways that we choose not to listen to God?
 - How does the Bible talk about miracles? What do they tell us about who God is and how He works in the world?
- 2. Jesus perfectly listen to God; He ushered in the Kingdom of God; and He saves us from the consequences of our disobedience and sin.
 - How does this story in Numbers point to Jesus?
 - Jesus is called "The Word"...how has God spoken to us through Christ? What does that tell us about who God is and how does it shape how we interact with Him?

Discipleship Through Prayer

- Spend time this week praising God for speaking to us in many ways, ultimately through His Son Jesus. Pray for attentive, listening ears and for God to shape our hearts to look more like His. Continue to pray for everything surrounding the coronavirus, the election, and racial equality in our country 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 <u>Family Resources for Current Events</u> page for equipping and resources for all of that.

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

We love hearing from you! You can email 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.)