



RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

December 13, 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

“ADVENT: HOPE”

ISAIAH 40:27-31

We are called to remember who God is, to remember what He has done (and still does! and will continue to do!), and to wait on Him. One of the greatest truths we have to remember about God is seen in Jesus. Jesus is called “Immanuel”, which means God with us. When we feel hopeless, alone, or sad, we can look to Jesus and trust him because he truly understands us. He has shown that he uses his power to serve us. He used his power to become a human so that we could be brought back to God. All we need to do is trust Him and put our faith in Him.

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:

1. Regardless of how we are feeling, we can reflect on who God is and what He does.

- What are some characteristics of God that you are most thankful for this week? What are some that are a little harder to trust this week?
- What are some ways you can remember God this week? How has God shown faithfulness to you in your life before?

2. We are also called to wait on the Lord.

- What does it mean to wait on the Lord? Why can that be challenging? How do we know God is trustworthy in our waiting?
- What are some ways you want to wait on the Lord? What ways does it feel very hard to do that?

3. Jesus is called “Immanuel”, which means God with us. Advent season is a time to remember the incredible gift of God becoming a man to save us.

- Talk through the Advent + Christmas story together as a family. What sticks out? What seems too incredible to true? What gives you hope?
- How does knowing that God is with us change our hearts? Our hope? Our lives?

- What does it mean to have hope in God? Why should we put our hope in Jesus?

Discipleship Through Prayer

- Spend time this week praising God for the beauty of the Advent season. Pray for God to give us hearts and minds to remember His truths in all of life. Pray for God to reveal idols, to draw us to repentance, and to know that we are forgiven because of Jesus. Pray for patience and trust in waiting on the Lord. 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 all of our RLA Kids news! Our handle is [@RealityLAKids](#)
- Stay connected on big events and announcements 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 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 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.)