

RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

May 2, 2021

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

“THE NEW COVENANT”

HEBREWS 8

God created the old covenant as a way to still be with His people through sacrifices - despite their sin. These sacrifices were only for a certain time and for certain people. People constantly had to make sacrifices because they kept sinning against God, and that's the way it was until Jesus instituted the new covenant. The new covenant means that we no longer need to offer sacrifices for our sin, we simply need to trust the one who is the perfect sacrifice Himself!

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. The old covenant was created so that a holy God could still be with sinful people.

- What promises had God made to His people in the old covenant? What had been asked of people by God (following His commandments/obeying Him)?
- How did people fail in this covenant? What were the consequences of this? What was needed for God to still be with His people? How did God make a way?

2. The new covenant of Jesus fulfilled the old covenant.

- How did Jesus fulfill the requirements of the old covenant? What does that tell us about who God is and His character?
- What was different about Jesus' sacrifice than any old covenant sacrifice? What does it mean for us? How are we called to respond and how does it change our lives?

Discipleship Through Prayer

- Spend time this week praising God for His perfect sacrifice in Jesus! Pray for God to help you trust in His good works and to grow deeper in an understanding of the depths of the sacrifice of the cross. Continue to pray for everything surrounding the coronavirus, politics, 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 for. 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.
- Join us each week in the RLA Kids Zoom Room at [reality.la/kidszoom](#)

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.)