



BIBLE STORY:

Heaven

Revelation 21-22

WHAT'S NEXT!

Next week is Palm Sunday, then Easter. We will have two outdoor services for Easter @ 9am & 10:30am. Elementary kids will attend service with their families.

Let parents know the take-home page each week is a family resource that goes along with the message they heard this morning in their worship service.

WELCOME kids to class! Ask them how they're doing and listen to what they share!

SCHEDULE:

K – 2nd10:00

9:45-10:30 Small Group
 10:30 Travel to Room 111
 10:35-10:55 Worship
 10:58-11:05 Prayer & Wrap-Up

11:30 (note change in worship time)

11:15-11:38 Welcome
 11:38 Travel to Room 111
 11:40-12:00 Worship
 12:05-12:35 Small Group,
 Prayer & Wrap-Up

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9:45-10:08 Welcome
 10:08 Travel to Room 111
 10:10-10:30 Worship
 10:35-11:05 Small Group,
 Prayer & Wrap-Up

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 Prayer & Wrap-Up

GET STARTED

SUPPLIES:

- Plain paper to draw on

WHAT TO DO:

- Give each child a piece of paper and set out the coloring utensils. Tell them they get to design their room in heaven. Read these verses from John 14:2-3 - **“My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.”**
- **ASK:** Did you know Jesus is preparing a room in heaven for every person who believes in Him? **What do you think your room in heaven will look like?** Have kids draw what they think their room in heaven might look like.
- Have kids share their drawings of their room in heaven

DISCUSS:

- **We’re going to be talking today about the most special, perfect, and best place ever! It’s a real place for anyone who believes in Jesus! Do you know what it is? Yes, it’s heaven, because Heaven is a real place. Everyone, say that after me:**

Heaven is (point up)
a real place! (two thumbs up)



MEMORY VERSE:

But without faith no one can please God. We must believe that God is real and that He rewards everyone who searches for Him. Hebrews 11:6

BIBLE STORY

SUPPLIES:

- **Bible Story Sheet, Detective Notes, coloring utensils**

WHAT TO DO:

- Give each child a Detective Notes sheet and set out the coloring utensils.
- Remind kids that when we look in the Bible, we can find clues to help solve the mystery of how heaven is a real place.
- Read the Bible Story Sheet to the group, allowing them to fill in their Detective Notes as you read. Then, ask the questions below:

ASK:

- **Who got to see what heaven would be like?** (John)
- **True or False: John saw a NEW heaven and a NEW earth. (True) Right! One day there will be a new heaven and a new earth. This will happen when Jesus comes back to earth.**
- **What did heaven look like to John?** (streets of gold, decorated with jewels, fruit doesn't run out, no sun, moon or stars needed because God is light)
- **What did John learn that would not be in heaven?** (no pain, dying, or crying)
- **Who are the people who will be in heaven?** (Only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life – the people who believe in Jesus)
- **How can we know heaven is real from this story?** (John got to see it and he wrote about it so that we can know it is real.)

PRAY: Heavenly Father, thank you for making heaven a place that is too wonderful to imagine. Thank you for the promise of heaven for people who believe in Jesus and for your love for us. Amen.

THE WAY TO HEAVEN

SUPPLIES:

- **Heaven Card, Footsteps, Jewel Pages, masking tape, cross & crown keyring**

WHAT TO DO:

- Place a long piece of masking tape on the floor in an open space in the room. It should be too long to jump from one end to the other. (8-10 feet long)
- Put the Heaven Card at the furthest end of the masking tape from your group. Then, place the Footsteps cards along the tape close to the starting point. Kids should NOT be able to step from the footsteps to the Heaven Card.
- **ASK:** *Do you think you can get to heaven on your own?* (allow responses) *How about if you were to do the things on these Footsteps cards?* (Read the words on each set of Footsteps aloud and allow responses.)
- **EXPLAIN:** *Those are all good things to do. But they aren't what gets us to heaven.*
- Remove Footsteps cards and place Jewel cards on the tape, spelling out J-E-S-S-U-S. Stretch them from one end to the other, as a path to heaven.



- Ask the kids to follow you and hop across the Jewels that will take you all the way to the Heaven Card.
- **ASK:** *What do these Jewels spell? Is believing in Jesus the only way to get to heaven? (Yes)*
- *What are some things that are NOT going to be in heaven? (Sadness, sickness, death, etc.)*
- **SAY:** *You've got all the evidence needed to answer the question, "Is Heaven real?" What do you think – what did you discover today about heaven? **Heaven is a real place for people who believe in Jesus!***
- **GIVE** each child a cross and crown key ring. They can put it on their backpacks or on a special bag they use. Talk about how it can remind them of Jesus being king of heaven and earth and all who believe Jesus died on the cross for their sins will be with Him in heaven one day!



MEMORY VERSE

- This is it! The last Sunday to say the memory verse in Hebrews 11:6! For those who say the verse from memory, give them a *special* Harbor Buck worth 10 bucks!

PRAY

WHAT TO DO:

- Share prayer requests and pray. You can write prayer requests on the chalkboard or bulletin board (K) along with praises.
- Write kids' first names on a Prayer Pals paper to take home the name of someone in their class to pray for during the week.

PRAYER PALS

As kids arrive, write each child's name on a Prayer Pals slip to give to children as they are dismissed.

HARBOR BUCKS

The Harbor Bank is open every Sunday for kids to redeem their Harbor Bucks.

Leaders - you may give out Harbor Bucks to kids who

1. Bring their Bible
2. Bring a friend or for first-time friends
3. Say the memory verse
4. Show helpfulness