

LESSON 25 | Jesus Gives Life

Bible Basis: Luke 10:38 – 42; John 11:1 – 44; 12:3 – 8

Bible Verse: John 11:25: “Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even if he dies.’”

Bible Point: Jesus brought Lazarus back to life. If I believe in Jesus, he will give me eternal life in heaven!

Resource: *The Beginner’s Bible*

- “Mary and Martha” (pages 385 – 390)
- “Lazarus Lives Again” (pages 418 – 422)
- “A Gift for Jesus” (pages 423 – 426)

How to use This Page

This week, you can read the stories listed above in *The Beginner’s Bible* several times to help your child remember them. Use the Table Talk questions below to start a discussion around the dinner table, while driving in the car, or just about anywhere. The Living Faith activity is designed as a drama to help your child remember the Bible lesson. The Extra Mile provides interactive ways for your child to connect with the story.

TABLE TALK

1. Do you think you are a good listener, like Mary?
2. Why didn’t Jesus tell Mary to go and help her sister? (*It was more important for her to listen to him at that moment.*)
3. How was Lazarus like Jesus? (*He rose from the dead, like Jesus.*) How was Lazarus different from Jesus? (*Lazarus needed Jesus’ help to rise from the dead, but Jesus rose from the dead on his own, because he is the Son of God.*)
4. Why did Mary pour perfume on Jesus’ feet? (*She wanted to show her love.*)

LIVING FAITH

Have your child select one of the Bible stories from this week and act it out for you as you read the story aloud from *The Beginner’s Bible*. Your child will enjoy wearing rags wrapped around arms and legs while playing the part of Lazarus. Also give

your child props to pretend to pour perfume on your feet.

When you come to the place(s) in the story where a Bible character speaks, instruct your child what to say. If possible, have your child perform the Bible drama for other family members in person, via Skype, or using a video camera.

EXTRA MILE

- Add a tiny drop of perfume to a small bottle filled with water. This will act as Mary’s perfume. Have your child play the part of Mary while you play the role of Jesus. Have your child kneel at Jesus’ feet to anoint him with the perfume water. Discuss again why Mary anointed Jesus’ feet. (*She was offering a special gift to him.*) Reread the story of Mary pouring perfume on Jesus’ feet in “A Gift for Jesus” from *The Beginner’s Bible* or from your Bible.
- Teach your child this rhyme:

*Why did you waste this perfume?
There are people starving on the street.
You spent so much money to buy this
perfume,
Just to pour it on Jesus’ feet!
Why?
“Because I love Jesus!” Mary said. “And he
loves me.”*