

April Week 4
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Happy Day
April 26-27

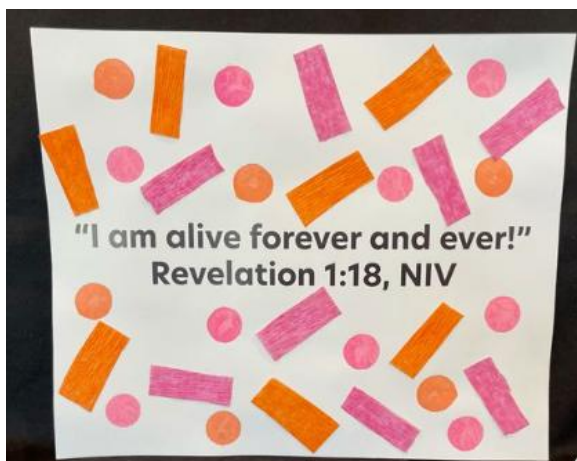
CRAFT WEEK 4

Beautiful Verse

SUPPLIES: Activity Page, stickers, dot markers, crayons, markers, stampers

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Invite the children to sit at a table and review the memory verse.**
 - *"Friends, let's say our Memory Verse as we do the motions together. Is everyone ready? (Pause.) Okay, here we go! 'I am alive (jump with arms up) forever and ever!' (Twirl with arms up.) Revelation 1:18. (Open hands like a book.) Let's say it together one more time with the motions. 'I am alive (jump with arms up) forever and ever!' (Twirl with arms up.) Revelation 1:18. (Open hands like a book.) Great job, friends."*
- ⇒ **Give each child an activity page and set out stickers, dot markers, stampers and crayons. Invite children to decorate their page.**
 - *"We're going to decorate papers with our Memory Verse on it! You can use stickers, crayons, stampers or dot markers. I'm going to say our Memory Verse as you decorate your paper, and you can say it with me if you'd like. (Pause.) 'I am alive forever and ever.' Revelation 1:18. (Repeat several times.) Wow! You made your papers so beautiful!"*
- ⇒ **Bring it Back to the Bible Story and Bottom Line**
 - *"Friends, the Bible teaches us that Jesus went away and came back—just like He said He would. Jesus is alive! That's right, friends! When Jesus came back, He made breakfast for some of His friends, the disciples, on the beach to show them how much He loved them. **Jesus is alive!**"*
 - **"Who is alive?"**
 - **"Jesus is alive!"**



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ACTIVITY #1

Imaginary Boat

SUPPLIES: Parachute

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Lay out the parachute and invite the children to sit on it as if it's a boat.**
 - *"Friends, look! We're going to pretend this parachute is a boat for us to explore with today! Let's all get in and pretend we're on the water. Ready to go boating? Let's go!"*
- ⇒ **Invite the children to pretend to be on a boat.**
 - *"I love being in the boat on the water. Oh, wow I need to use my pretend binoculars! (Hold up your hands, use your fingers to make a circle, and lift both hands up to your eyes to make binoculars.) I see a big bird! Now, [child's name] you use binoculars and tell me what you see. (No wrong answers, make it fun! Continue until all children have had a turn.) That was fun!"*
 - *"Now everyone use your binoculars to look over there on the shore. I see a man and he's waving at us. Who do you think the man could be? (Pause.) It's Jesus! Let's row the boat to Jesus!"*
- ⇒ **Bring it back to the Bible Story and Bottom Line.**
 - *"It was a happy day when Jesus' disciples saw Jesus again. They knew Jesus is alive because they got to sit with Jesus, talk with Jesus, and even eat breakfast with Jesus! Every day can be a happy day for us too because Jesus is alive! And Jesus wants to be our friend forever!"*
 - ***Who is alive?***
 - ***Jesus is alive!"***

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ACTIVITY #2

Happy Dance

SUPPLIES: CD Player, EC Worship CD, scarves, instruments

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Gather children and invite them to take a scarf and/or an instrument.**
 - *“Come join me over here. We have something to celebrate today, Who is alive? Jesus is alive! We’re going to celebrate by having a dance party. I have some fun scarves you can dance with or instruments you can play. Everybody grab something and get ready to dance!”*
- ⇒ **Play music and dance with the children. Periodically pause and review the Bottom Line. Repeat as interest allows.**
 - *“Okay friends, when I start the music, I want everyone to dance, dance, dance! We’re going to dance because **Jesus is alive!** Ready? One . . . two . . . three . . . dance with me! (Pause.) Amazing! That was so fun getting to dance together and celebrate **Jesus is alive!**”*
- ⇒ **Collect items and bring it back to the Bottom Line**
 - “Every day can be a happy day because we know that **Jesus is alive!**
 - **Who is alive?**
 - **Jesus is alive!”**

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READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY
APRIL WEEK 4

Here are some ideas to try in a group or one-on-one.

2-year-olds are all at different stages of development! Some are ready to answer big questions and say the memory verse, while others aren't ready to talk yet. Even if they aren't ready to answer, they are listening!

READ A STORY –

- *The Easter Story*

ASK A QUESTION

Who is alive?

Jesus is alive!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

“I am alive for ever and ever.” Revelation 1:18

SAY A PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for making me.

Thank you for loving me.

Thank you for sending Jesus to be my friend forever.

Amen.