

April Week 4

3-K

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.**

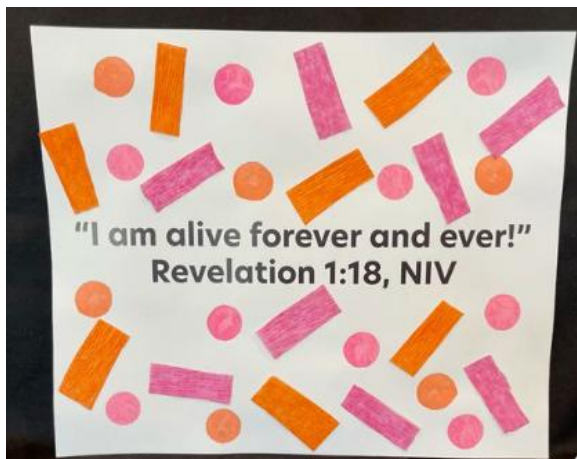
- *"Friends, let's say our Memory Verse as we do the motions together. Is everyone ready? (Pause.) Okay, here we go! 'I am alive (jump with arms up) forever and ever!' (Twirl with arms up.) Revelation 1:18. (Open hands like a book.) Let's say it together one more time with the motions. 'I am alive (jump 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 stampers, stickers, 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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ACTIVITY #3

Easter Hot Potato

SUPPLIES: Easter Egg, CD Player, EC Worship CD

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Have children sit in a circle in the middle of the room.**

- *“Friends, come sit in a circle with me. Let’s say our Memory Verse together while we do the motions. Ready? ‘I am alive (jump with arms up) for ever and ever. (Twirl with arms up.)’ Revelation 1:18. (Open hands like a book.) Great job! I’ve got an Easter Egg here. We are going to play some music and pass the heart around the circle. When the music stops, whoever is holding the egg will say our memory verse!”*

⇒ **Play music and pass the heart around. Pause music. Have the child holding the heart say the memory verse.**

- *“It’s your turn to say the memory verse – we can help you!”*
 - *“I am alive for ever and ever.”**Revelation 1:18*

⇒ **Let the children play until every child has had a turn.**

⇒ **Bring it Back to the bottom line.**

- *“Great job, friends!”*
- ***Who is alive?***
- ***Jesus is alive!”***

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READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY

APRIL WEEK 4

PASS OUT MOON SAND

READ

- *God Loves Me More Than That* by Dandi Daley Mackall

REVIEW *(You may choose to pass out stickers as kids answer!)*

- ⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line
 - ***Who is alive?***
 - ***Jesus is alive!***
- ⇒ Memory Verse
 - ***"I am alive for ever and every."*** Revelation 1:18

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

- ⇒ "Since Jesus made breakfast for His disciples, let's make a list of things we like to eat for breakfast, so when I say your name, tell me **one thing you like to eat for breakfast.**"
 - *Write each child's name on the weekly question strip/board/paper.*
- ⇒ Let's use our list when we pray...
- ⇒ Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**:
 - *"Dear God, thank You for foods like (read the list the children made). We really like eating them for breakfast. More than anything, we want to thank You for giving us Jesus to be our friend forever and ever. We love You, God. In Jesus' name. Amen."*