

Story Time

Watch the story video from this week's smAll Nations.



Bible Time

This story is the only story we have in the Bible about Jesus being a young child, but it shows us that he experienced the same things we do as children. He had parents, he went to the special celebrations with them (this was a Jewish festival), he got lost and even made his parents worried. Well, the story tells us that, even though he was just a boy, Jesus was wise, and he loved his Father in Heaven. Do you think that God wants you to be wise? Yes, wisdom is very important! What does it mean to be wise? It doesn't just mean knowing the right things, it means doing the right things! Jesus went home with Joseph and Mary and that he was obedient to his parents, which means that he listened to them and followed their rules and directions. That's pretty amazing! Do you think that any of you can follow all of the rules all of the time and never make a mistake?

Our detective question today is "Is Jesus real?" Did he really exist - the answer is yes! There are many mentions of Jesus in history and not just in the Bible. He was born just like you and me and he grew up just like you are. He is the perfect example for you to follow as someone who loved God, obeyed is parents and made good choices.

Activity Sheet

Week 1: Is He Real?



Memory Verse

Jesus grew in wisdom and stature and in favour with God and all people.



Luke 2:52

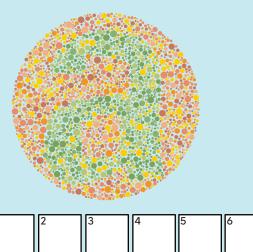
Song Of The Week

My Best Friend by Hillsong



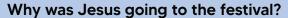
Puzzle For The Week

Every week our detectives are trying find a letter to fill in our mystery word. We've given you the first letter. Can you find the hidden letter in the picture below? If so, add it to box number one below!



Chat Time

Chat about the story. Use these questions to help you get started:



How old was Jesus?

What happened on the way home?

Where was Jesus?

Have you ever been separated from your parents? What happened?

Do you always find it easy to obey your parents?

How can you use Jesus' example to help you as you grow up?

Prayer For The Week

Dear God

Thank you that you were a child just like us, so you understand all the things we go through. Thank you that we can talk to you whenever we need help.

Amen

Show Us

Send us pictures of you and your family watching smAll Nations, dancing, joining in with the game and making the craft. Ask a grown-up to email them to: smallnations@allnationselim.org