

**THE PERSON PRIMARILY RESPONSIBLE FOR DISCIPLING YOUR KIDS IS YOU!**

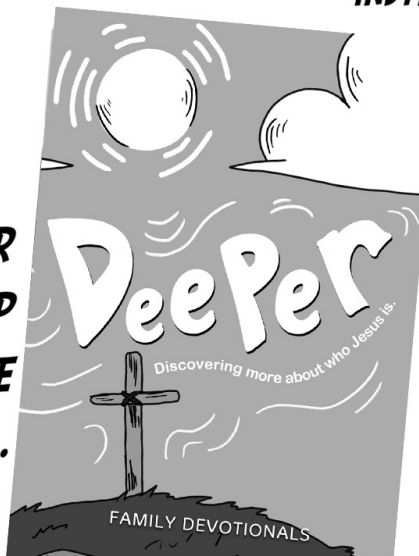


**AND WE ARE HERE TO HELP!**

- **MONTHLY ISSUE**
- **BASED ON THE MONTHLY SERIES IN KIDS CHURCH**
- **FOR KIDS AGES 2-12 YEARS OLD**
- **DESIGNED FOR A ONCE-A-WEEK ACTIVITY WITH YOUR KIDS**
- **EASY-TO-USE: READ IT TO YOUR KIDS AND FOLLOW THE SIMPLE INSTRUCTIONS.**

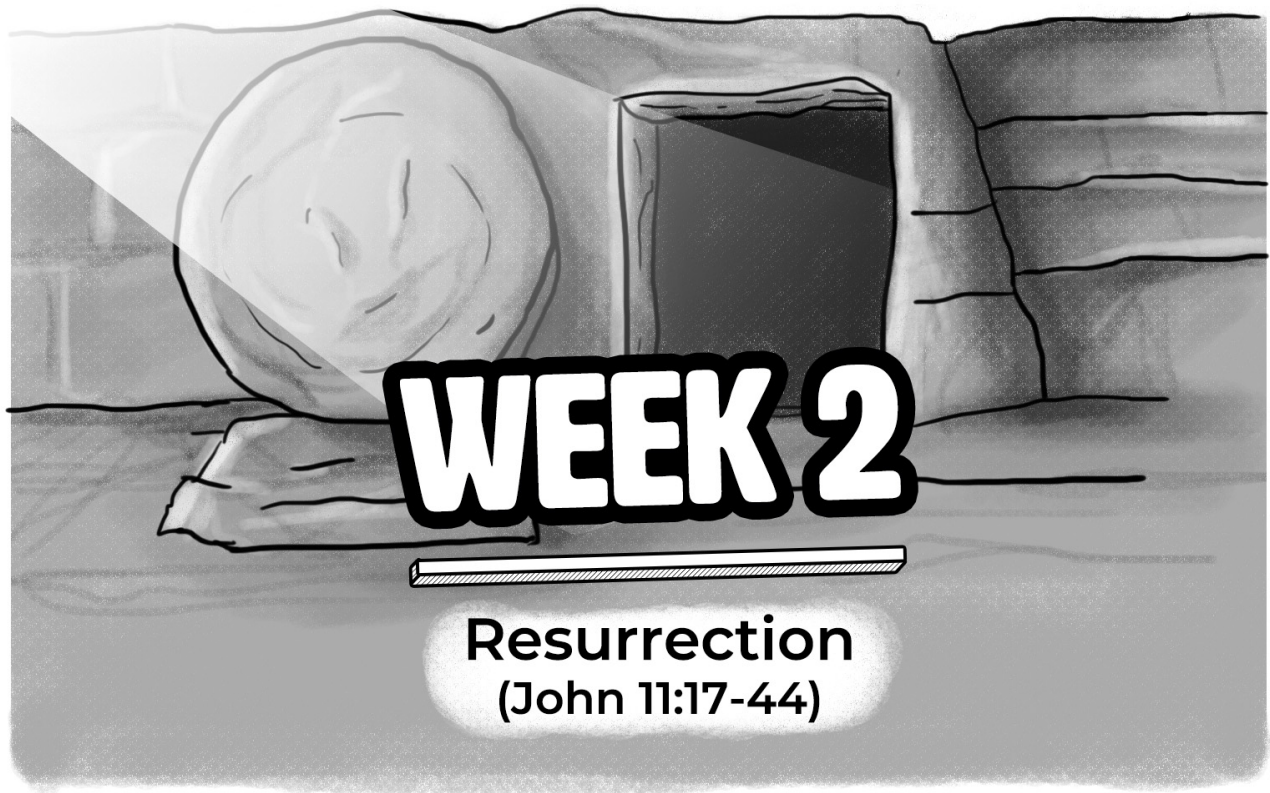


**IN ORDER TO HELP YOU, WE GIVE YOU...**



**THE FAMILY DEVOTIONAL**

**WE ARE YOUR PARTNERS IN DISCIPLING YOUR KIDS!**



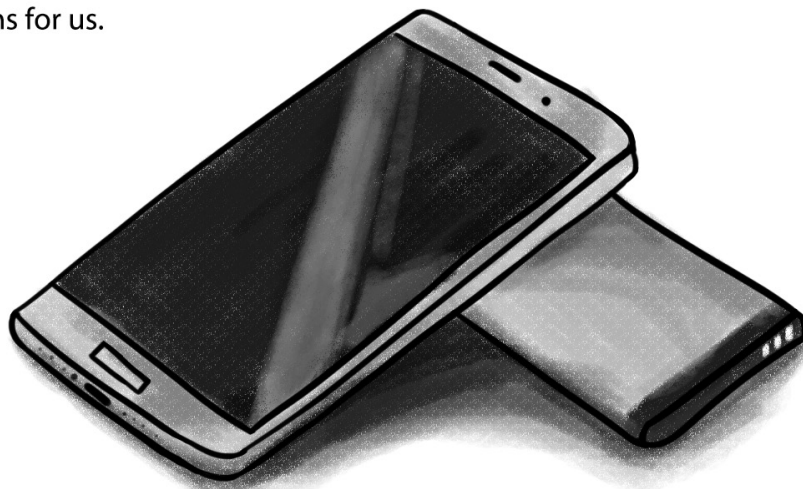
Material:

Mobile Phone or any device and charger or power bank ; OR a battery-operated toy with some batteries. A good, easy one can be a remote control.

Take the toy and without batteries, try to make it work. Turn it on, push all buttons , do all you can to make it work without the batteries. (If using mobile phone, you may have to drain your phone or device. Or just use an old one.)

Of course, it will never work! Because there is no life in it! But if you put in the batteries ( or charge your phone), it comes back to life.

Let's see what this means for us.





# Read the Word

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Jesus was on his way to Judea. His friend Lazarus, had died. Let's read about it in John 11:17-44

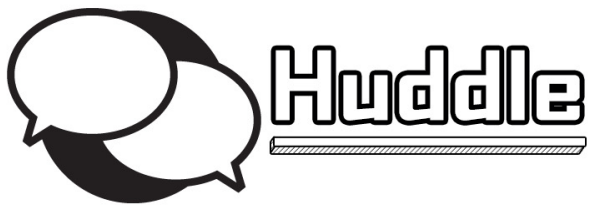
*17 Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. 18 Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, 19 and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. 20 So when Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, but Mary remained seated in the house. 21 Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." 23 Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." 24 Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." 25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" 27 She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world."*

Like Lazarus, one day, we will all die. It may come at different times for different people but that day will surely come. We would be like the toy with no batteries, that no matter what you do with it, it remains dead. But everything does not end there. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life." If you believe in Jesus, He said that "though he die, yet shall he live..." It doesn't mean that we will come back to life again but Jesus meant that we will live with Him in heaven. Now, we would be like the toy with batteries - alive again . . . But come that time, we will be alive forever!

*38 Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. 39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" 41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I said this on account of the people standing around, that they may believe that you sent me." 43 When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out." 44 The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."*

Jesus proved He is the resurrection by raising Lazarus from the dead and He proved it again when He himself was raised from the dead too! And more than being raised from the dead and giving us life, He is life! You see, when Lazarus was raised, he was already dead for 4 days at that time. His body most likely smelled bad! And just like him, our souls also smell bad because of our sins. But Jesus looked beyond our sins and offered us something that we can never have on our own - eternal life!

Jesus is resurrection and life. And it is only through Him that we can live again after our physical bodies die. It is only through Him that we can have eternal life with God one day.



**Parent to Kid**  
**2-6 years old**

- If your favorite toy breaks, what will you do and from whom will you ask help?

**7-12 years old**

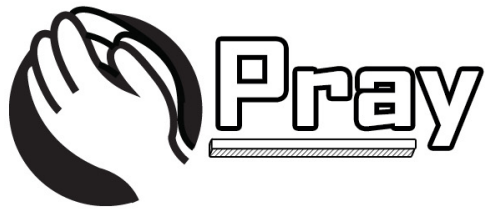
- Do you believe that Lazarus really came back from the dead? Why or why not?
- Do you believe what Jesus said that if you believe in Him, you will not die but live with Him?

**Kid to Parents**

- Why does Jesus have to be resurrected?

Our lives are broken, full of sin. Jesus came to fix it. He did that when He died on the cross and rose from the dead. He is the resurrection and indeed, death has no power over Him. He does not just give life, He is life! And apart from Him, we can have none of it! Only in Him can we be resurrected one day and live with Him eternally in heaven.





Dear God,

Thank You for sending Jesus Christ to die so we can have eternal life. I acknowledge that I will not have life apart from Christ. Thank you Jesus for the life you have given me. Help me to obey and love you each day. In Jesus Name,

Amen!



There are several stories of resurrection in the Bible.

1. The widow of Zarephath's son (1 Kings 17:17–24).
2. The Shunammite woman's son (2 Kings 4:18–37).
3. The man raised out of Elisha's grave (2 Kings 13:20–21).
4. The widow of Nain's son (Luke 7:11–17).
5. Jairus' daughter (Luke 8:52–56).
6. Lazarus of Bethany (John 11).
7. Various saints in Jerusalem (Matthew 27:50–53).
8. Tabitha (Acts 9:36–43).
9. Eutychus (Acts 20:7–12).
10. JESUS (Mark 16:1–8).

But here's an interesting fact: The first 9 on the list were all resurrected temporarily. At some point, they all died. The only resurrection that is permanent and eternal is of the one who Himself is life, Jesus! He is the only person who has the power over death and the only source of life.

Source: <https://www.gotquestions.org/raised-from-the-dead.html>

