

# PRESCHOOL ACTIVITY GUIDE

**TODAY'S STORY:** Jesus Raises Lazarus

**TEACHING TRUTH:** Jesus has power over death

## ACTIVITY 2: STORY REVIEW — Act it out

**SUPPLIES:** Blanket (Optional: Your favorite children's Bible)

1. You are going to act out the story together. Assign each person in your family to be a character from the story: Mary, Martha, Jesus, and Lazarus. If you have more than four people, the others can be disciples.
2. As you tell the story or read it from your favorite children's Bible, have your family act it out according to what character they are.
3. Have Lazarus lie on the floor or couch and cover him with a blanket to represent him lying in the tomb. When you get to the part in the story where Jesus calls Lazarus out, have your Lazarus come out from under the blanket and stand up to show he is alive.
4. Take turns telling the story so everyone can have a chance to be Lazarus.

## ACTIVITY 2: TEACHING TRUTH REVIEW — Jesus has power over death

**SUPPLIES:** Empty toilet paper roll, toilet paper or gauze, tape, marker, clothes pin or plastic spoon

1. Give your child an empty toilet paper or paper towel roll. Help your child wrap the tube with gauze or toilet paper. Cover one end up but leave the other open. This tube will be the tomb, and the opening on one end will allow you to take Lazarus in and out of the tube.
2. Help your child draw a face on the clothespin or plastic spoon and wrap it in gauze or toilet paper. This will be your Lazarus.
3. Retell the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. Let your child put Lazarus in the tomb by placing the clothespin or spoon inside the toilet paper roll.
4. When you get to the part where Jesus called Lazarus out of the tomb, you can have your child call out to Lazarus. Have your child take Lazarus out of the toilet paper roll and unwrap him to show he is alive again.
5. Remind your child that **Jesus has power over death.**

## ACTIVITY 3: MEMORY VERSE REVIEW – Psalm 139:14 – Musical Shapes

**SUPPLIES:** Memory verse song (on the Preschool Kids Kit page), paper (one piece per person), markers/crayons

1. If you have different colors of paper, draw different shapes on each page with a black marker, or cut them into shapes. If you only have white paper, draw different shapes on each page using different colors.
2. Make a circle on the floor with all the pieces of paper and have each person stand on one page.
3. Explain that they are going to sing along with the song and walk on the pages as the music plays.
4. When the song is at the end of the verse, stop the song. Each person should be standing on one page.
5. Call out a color. Whoever is standing on that color will shout out the verse address (Psalm 139:14).
6. Repeat until all colors have been called. If you want to keep practicing, continue playing the song and call out different shapes when you stop the music.