



For Preschoolers and Toddlers

Monthly Image: Trumpet

Early Childhood Essential: God is with His people.

Memory Verse: “Go and make disciples of all nations” – Matthew 28:19

Bible Story Focus: Paul tells Rome about the Forever King- Acts 28:11-31

Lesson Overview:

Paul tells the people of Rome about the Forever King. In this lesson, kids will hear of Paul’s long journey to visit the city of Rome. They will hear of the hardships that Paul faced along the way, and that his shipwreck did not keep him from sharing the love of Jesus. Kids will learn that Paul stayed in Rome for two years, telling as many people as he could about the Forever King.

Pre-Video Discussion:

Have you ever been on a really long trip and were excited to go back home?

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I Wonder Questions (Post-Video):

I wonder...

Why did a soldier have to guard Paul’s house?

*Because he had been in prison after telling others about Jesus.

What did Paul do while he was in Rome?

*He invited people over and told others about our Forever King.

What did Paul tell others about Jesus?

*He told them that Jesus is our Forever King and He died on the cross for our sins.

Early Childhood Family Activity Idea:

Write a letter to the Majestic Kingdom! Send a note to Princess Kimmie, Sir Rhymes-A-Lot, or Sir Fredward and tell them one thing you've learned about our Forever King. Here's an address if you want to actually mail it to Crossing Kids:

The Crossing, Attn: *(Puppet Name)*
3615 Southland Dr
Columbia MO 65201

For Elementary

Lesson Overview:

Jesus died and rose again, but life is still not the way it's supposed to be. We're still waiting on the fourth part of God's Big Story—Restoration. Someday Jesus will return and make everything sad come untrue. Until that day, we can be a part of restoring God's broken world and we can learn more about our Forever Home of the new heaven and the new earth and look forward to Jesus's return.

Teaching Video Link: <https://vimeo.com/422995476>

Curriculum Podcast Link: A Dream of Heaven (The Jesus Storybook Bible)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kajS6jAQCdw>

Post-Video Discussion:

- **What is our forever home?** *(The Bible calls it the new heaven and the new earth, where those who trust Jesus as Savior will live forever with God.)*
- **Why is our forever home better than where we are now?** *(Our world is broken because of sin, but one day God will make all things new.)*
- **What will we be like in our forever home?** *(Our bodies will be made perfect and our hearts will be completely happy. There will be no more sickness, dying, sadness, or pain. We will live with God in perfect relationship with him and with others who follow him forever.)*

Independent Activity for Kids:

Create a poster that shares what our forever home of the new heaven and the new earth will be like based on the video or from the verses for 4th and 5th graders listed below.

For 4th and 5th graders:

Read Revelation 21:1-7 and 10-26 and create a poster that shares what our Forever Home will be like.