

SUNDAY SCHOOL TAKE HOME PAGE

To parents:

This page lets you know what your child learned today in Sunday School. Included are "Words to Remember" from the Bible, a suggested activity to reinforce the lesson, and a short prayer. Being involved and interacting with your child can be very rewarding for both of you.

What We Learned:



John the Baptist was God's helper! He prepared the way for Jesus by telling others to ask God for forgiveness and be baptized. Sharing the story of Jesus is one of the best ways we can help others. God is pleased when we help others know more about Jesus and how to believe in Him. (Scriptures used: Mark 1:1-8)

Words to Remember:

(Bible versions used are selected to help young children learn and understand the meaning of scripture.)



"Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him." Mark 1:3b NIV

This verse will encourage your child to be a helper by telling his or her friends about Jesus. Help him or her name one or two friends who need to hear the story of Jesus. Then practice the story together by saying something like, "Jesus is God's Son. He grew up from a baby to a man to become a preacher. Jesus loved us so much that He died on the cross for the bad things we do (sin). But then He came back to life!" Practice the story a few times this week and then help your child share the story of Jesus either with either a friend or a family member.

Suggested Parent/Child Activity:



Plan a fun activity such as a picnic or overnight trip. Ask your child to help you make a list to prepare everything you will need to bring. As you work together, remind him or her how John the Baptist prepared people's hearts to meet Jesus by telling them to ask for forgiveness and be baptized. Talk about what it takes to prepare for sharing the story of Jesus (reading the Bible, going to church, praying, etc). Lastly, discuss that preparation is necessary for everything we do as believers just like it's necessary to prepare for a picnic or trip.



Daily Prayer:

Thank You, God, for giving us helpers to tell us about Jesus! Please show us how to be good helpers who share Jesus with our friends. Thank You for loving us and sending Jesus to die for our sins. Amen.