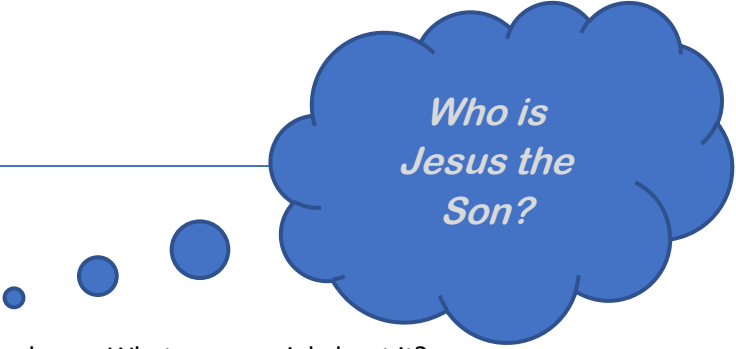


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*Who is
Jesus the
Son?*

Setup:

Share an adoption story of your own or someone you know. What was special about it?

Did the family have to raise money to complete the adoption? Did the child need anything when they came into the family (like a bed, clothes, toys, etc.)? What was the greatest thing the child needed?

Did that child do anything to be adopted?

God did not adopt us in a human sense. His adoption of us is perfect. It is one of lifetime ownership. He was the originator of adoption, and He completed the most adoptions ever! With all of His children He still continues to show Himself to us, caring for us, making us feel so very special!

Parent Que:

As we continue to tackle the roles within the Trinity, we began a 3-week series on the Son of God, Jesus. We discussed that He was and is the only way to Father God. Our adoption as children of God was made complete through His Son Jesus, who literally became God with us. Your student was challenged this week to think about who they know that needs to hear of God's deep love for them and extend the "offer" of adoption to them.

Ask your student who they've been thinking about then pray with them for an opportunity to share God's love and for open hearts to receive it! Maybe go a step further and tell of a person in your own life that you desire to share God's love with and pray the same. It's so great for your students to see and hear you modeling what it looks like to be a follower of Christ!

Scriptures from this week's lesson:

[Ephesians 1:3-7](#)

[Galatians 4:4-5](#)

[Matthew 1:22-23](#)

[Romans 5:6-11](#)

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In obedience to the Father, **Jesus** took on the form of flesh

and died on the cross that through His blood

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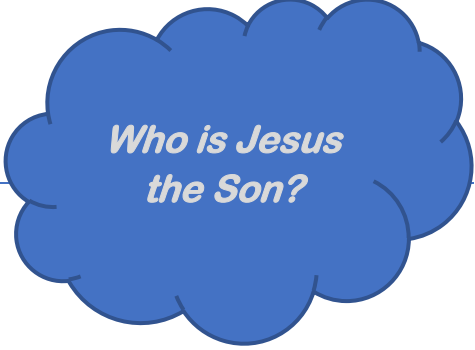
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Share about a family you know (or perhaps your own) who adopted a child.
Do you know what the day of adoption was like?

our Adoption Certificate

Read Ephesians 1:3-7

- When did God start loving us?
- When did God decide He wanted to bring us into His family?
- How did God adopt us?
- Look at verse 5 again. God wanted to adopt you. It pleased Him to make you His child. How does that make you feel? Is that hard for you to believe? If so, why?

Discuss

God freed us from the law of sin and death, adopted us as sons and daughters through the greatest sacrifice ever made, the sacrifice being His one and only Son. The Son of God paid a debt that no one else could have paid. We are incapable of offering this kind of love, so it is hard for us to fully comprehend.

Read Galatians 4:4-5

- When did God send Jesus?
- Do you ever struggle to understand God's timing?

Discuss

It can be hard to understand God's timing, because He is timeless, He has no beginning and no ending. He is not bound to time like we are in our humanness. Things happen according to God's purpose and plan. Jesus was perfectly and purposely planned.

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God with us

Read [Matthew 1:22-23](#)

Discuss

You must know that God the Father planned for Jesus to come. The prophet Isaiah spoke these very same words in Isaiah 7:14 that you just read in Matthew. No doubt, God wanted to be with us. He is a relational God, who desires relationship with you. He made a way to accomplish that relational connection through “the gift of” Jesus.

- How does it make you feel to know that God would go to such great lengths to be with you?
- How does it make you feel to know that God desires closeness with you?

The Way to God the Father

Read [Romans 5:6-11](#)

- What was our condition when God sent Jesus?
- Why did He send Jesus?
- What did we gain from Jesus coming to earth to die for our sin?

The point



When Jesus came to earth He was God in the flesh, fully God and fully man. Jesus willingly offered His life as the final sacrifice for sin, all so you could be close and have a relationship to God, our Father.

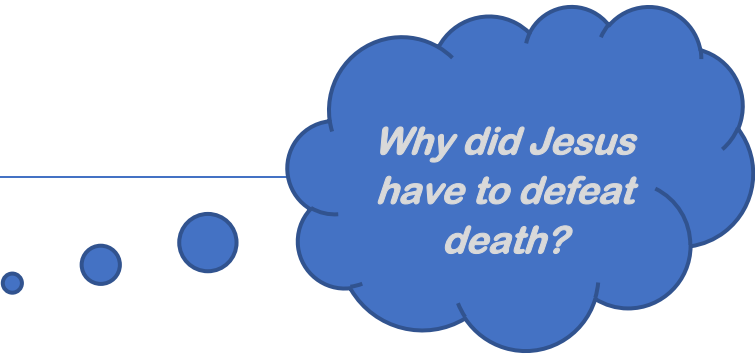
Application

- This great adoptive love story was not only written to include you, but anyone who would willingly accept it. Who in your life needs to hear the offer? Pray for them together.

Catch up/ Journal/ Pray

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*Why did Jesus
have to defeat
death?*

Setup:

Often times when people die, the question of “why” comes. Death can come in awful ways and times, and it can be so tragic, making it really difficult to understand. We ask the question “why”, but we simply don’t get an answer. Some answers to questions like these we don’t get to know until we meet Jesus face to face. We know that sin brought death into our world, and we all make decisions that impact life and death. We also know that God is not surprised by anything. God knows exactly when everyone will spend their last day living on this earth. Did you know that?

Psalm 139 is a great Psalm about how well God knows us. David says in verse 16 “God saw you before you were born, and every day of your life was recorded in His book of Life. Every moment was laid out before a single day passed.”

Although we can’t know all the reasons “why” people die, we can know the reason “why” Jesus died. God gives us the answer to the “why” Jesus died.

As we look into why Jesus died tonight, we will then turn our attention to the hope we find in what happened after his death. After three days, Jesus rose from the grave and defeated death, bringing about the Kingdom of God and new life for all who put their faith in him. Our faith hinges on the fact that Jesus defeated death, and because of that amazing truth, we are his forever.

Let me pray for you.

Parent Que:

This week your student learned that Jesus freely surrendered and obeyed the will of His Father. We looked at the fact that because Jesus was in the flesh, it was a difficult ask, but yet He chose to submit to the authority and plan of His Father. As a result, Jesus’ death on the cross bought us the forgiveness of sin. Your student was encouraged to think of Jesus as their example when it comes to living a life of obedience.

As parents, obedience is something we desire from our children, and sometimes we can overlook the war that wages inside of them to be disobedient, because just as Jesus modeled, obedience can be incredibly hard. Encourage your student when they have made a choice to obey despite an opportunity to choose otherwise. Calling out obedience in your student affirms that character quality and marks it as important. Also, it helps to address the times when they fall short in this area. Often times we can give more attention to disobedience than obedience. Spend more time celebrating obedience with your student!

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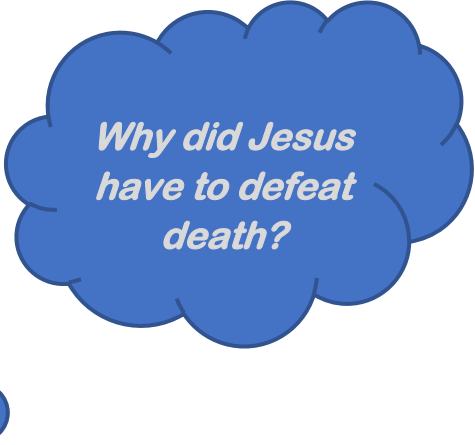
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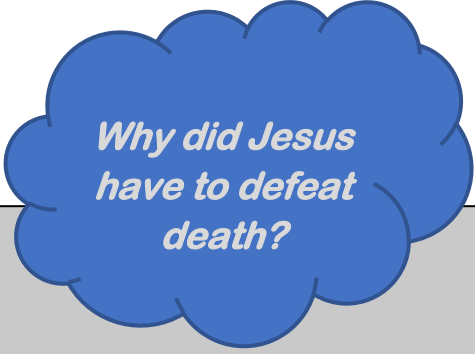
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What's the hardest thing you've ever been asked to do by your parents?

Why was it hard?

What would have happened if you hadn't been obedient?

Maybe you weren't obedient and suffered the consequence.

How did that work out for you? Once you heard the consequences, did you wish you could go back in time and obey?

Do you think it was hard for Jesus to obey?

Let's look at this a little more together.

Obedience

Read [John 4:34, 5:30, 6:38, 8:26, 10:18, 12:49-50, 14:30-31, or 15:10](#)

(choose 3 or more to compare)

- Compare these verses and discuss what you hear as a common theme.
- Have you ever thought about the fact that Jesus obeyed His Father?
- If Jesus was perfect and also equal to God the Father, why do you think He still had to obey?

Discuss

Obedience requires surrender. Let's look at how Jesus had to surrender in order to obey.

Surrender

Read [Luke 22:39-44](#)

- Was the assignment of the cross an easy one for Jesus to obey?
- What was "the cup of suffering" and what did Jesus ask God to do with it?
- What did Jesus want more than His own request?
- Is it sometimes hard for you to have a willing heart to obey? When do you think it's the hardest?

So now let's take a little turn to understand WHY only Jesus could be the One to die.

Sin = Death

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Read Romans 6:23

- What does sin bring to us?
- What does God give? How is it given?

Perfect Sacrifice

Read 2 Corinthians 5:21

- What was unique about Jesus that made Him the best “offering” / sacrifice for sin?
- As a result of this sacrifice, who were we made right with?

Our Example

Read Philippians 2:6-8

- What do we learn about Jesus from these verses?
- To what extent did Jesus obey God the Father?
- Now read verse 5 of this same chapter. What does it look like for you to have this same attitude at home? School? With friends?

Living Hope

Read Matthew 16:21

- What did Jesus begin telling the disciples in this passage?
- Many times in Scripture we read of Jesus predicting His death and resurrection in the presence of His disciples. Do you think they remembered Jesus told them this after He had died? Why or why not?
- What do you find yourself thinking about more, Jesus dying or Jesus living?

Discuss

Sometimes we forget to celebrate the fact that our God lives! It was the resurrection that brought us hope of eternal life with God. It was the resurrection that grew hope, faith and belief in the early church. They SAW Jesus raised from the dead! Jesus conquered death, therefore rescuing us from death, so we could have everlasting life with Him!

Paul explains the importance of the resurrection in 1 Corinthians 15, let's look there together.

Read 1 Corinthians 15:16-18

- What does Paul say the result is without the resurrection of Christ?
- Read verse 20. How is Christ “the first of a great harvest of all who have died”?

(Now read verse 23 to see if you understood correctly.)

- So, what did Jesus' resurrection guarantee for those who believe?

Discuss

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Jesus sealed the deal having victory over death, conquering it by raising Himself to life. As if that wasn't enough, He now lives as our advocate to the Father.

The point



Our faith hinges on the fact that Jesus defeated death on the cross, and with his resurrection He brings forth the Kingdom of God and eternal life for all who believe in Him.

Application

- How can we live each day remembering and living out the new life that we have found in Jesus?

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