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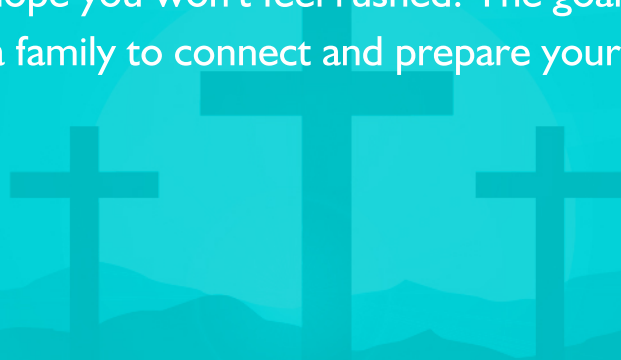
# Easter Devotions

for Families



# How to Use This 10-Day Easter Devotional with Your Family

Just like any holiday, Easter can be a busy time. There are egg hunts to attend, candy to buy, eggs to paint, and new outfits to pick out. In the midst of all the activities it can be easy for kids, and adults, to forget what it is we are celebrating during the Easter season. It can also be easy to miss out on the incredible power of the resurrection that we celebrate at Easter simply because we've become familiar with the story. The purpose of this devotional is to give you, as a parent, a tool to meaningfully connect with your kids for ten days as you prepare for Easter. Each of these ten devotionals includes a brief description you can read to your kids as well as a Scripture reading and questions you can discuss as a family. You can complete each devotional in less than ten minutes, but we hope you won't feel rushed. The goal is to have some time together as a family to connect and prepare your hearts for Easter.



# 1. Who Is Jesus?

Do you know who Jesus is? You've probably heard of him, maybe at church or in the Bible. It's easy to think that he's just some character in a story from the Bible but Jesus really lived on earth like us. You know all those feelings, questions, concerns, sadness and misunderstandings you've had in your life? He had them too! Jesus was a human, but get this... He was also God! He came to Earth, so He knows just how hard some days can be.

## Question Time:

Let's ask some questions to hear from each other. (This is a time for everyone present to chime in.)

**What does it feel like to be you today?**

**What was something hard that happened this week?**

**What was something fun that happened?**

Guess what! Jesus probably has those kinds of feelings, too.

The Bible is a great place to read more about Jesus' life. The Bible is a home for all the little stories, letters, and histories that helped shape this BIG story of God's love. One of Jesus' good friends, John, actually wrote some stories about his life that you can find in the Bible. John was a good friend to Jesus. John wrote about Jesus not just as a character, but as a real human - just like you!

## John 1:14

**14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

That's right. "The Word" is just another name for Jesus. So, if you're keeping track, you can call Him Jesus, Friend or The Word. But, let's just stick with Jesus or Friend for now.

Why? Because He came to earth to dwell among humans to reveal a new way to live, God's way! His way is shown with grace and truth. Over the next nine days, we're going to discover that way of living. We'll answer some questions each day, and we will read the stories of Jesus' life. We will also see why Easter is such an important part of Jesus' life on earth.

## Next Steps:

**Today - or tomorrow, if you're reading this before bed - find comfort in knowing that you're not alone in your feelings. Jesus is with you always, and He knows exactly how you feel.**