

"I'm going to Heaven with Jesus" Craft



Things you need:

- Blue foam or paper cup per child (punch a hole at the middle bottom of the cup)
- Jesus picture per child
- Boy or Girl per child
- Yellow star per child
- Cotton balls (about 5 per child)
- String
- Tape
- Crayons
- A leader at each table facilitating the children on their table
 - Put the child's name on their Jesus' picture
 - Finalize the craft by putting all the pieces together

Have children sit at a table.

Show the children the sample of the craft.

Say

We are going to make a craft of Jesus ascending to Heaven.

You are going to glue cotton balls on your cup to look like clouds and color the picture of Jesus. Teachers, can you write the child's name on their Jesus picture.

When you are finish, go to the teacher on your table and they will finish up your craft.

Directions for teachers

When children are done coloring and putting their cotton balls on their cup, push the string through the hole at the bottom of the cup. Tape the picture of Jesus to the other end of the string as shown in the picture. When the children pull on the string Jesus will ascend to Heaven!

Snacks

When everyone is finish with their craft, have them wash their hands. Don't forget to pray for their snack.

Have a teacher at each table. Have the teacher reiterate what they learn today!

Extra

If there is more time left, do worship by playing musical chairs or play four corners.

What I Learned Today...

Bible Story: As you read the story about doubting Thomas (John 20:19-31) to your child this week, mention that, although it's easier to believe in things we see, God wants us to believe in him even though we can't see him. We can't see Jesus, as the disciples did, to believe he's alive, but we know that Jesus loves us, and we feel his love.

Key Verse: People who believe in Jesus will live forever (adapted from John 11:25).

Take your family on a special picnic, and play these fun activities to reinforce your child's awareness that we believe in Jesus. Even though we don't see him, we can feel his love.

Outdoor Family Fun

don't see the wind, but we see how it moves the kite.

- Fly a kite, and talk about how the wind moves the kite. We
- Blow dandelions, and talk about how the wind moves the seeds. Try to catch them in the air.
- Get a helium balloon for each family member. Let the balloons go, and watch how far they travel. Ask your child to guess where the balloons will go.

Daily Challenge

This week, your child learned

to believe in

Jesus. Your child committed to one of the following challenges to practice believing in Jesus. Help your child weave faith into life this week and follow through on the challenge!

- Sing a song about believing in Jesus.
- Call a relative who is far away, and tell him or her about believing in Jesus.
- Tell Jesus you believe in him.



Make a "windsock" with your child to

illustrate how Jesus can be with us although we don't see him. You'll need an 8x10-

inch piece of white Fun Foam (available for purchase at most craft stores), permanent markers, a hot glue gun, a stapler, string, and crepe paper streamers.

Write "I believe in Jesus!" on the Fun Foam, and then have your child decorate it with markers. Staple crepe paper streamers to the bottom of the sheet. Roll the sheet to make a cylinder, and glue the edges with a hot glue gun. Staple a piece of string onto the cylinder to make a hanger, and hang the "windsock" on your porch to remind your child of Jesus' love. Explain that we don't see the wind, but we feel it, and we see how the wind blows the windsock. We don't see Jesus, but we feel his love.



It's FAMILY FUN PICNIC TIME!

Homespun Ideas

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