

NIV MEMORY VERSE: Matthew 28:19,20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age."

LIFE OF CHRIST 31-1

Lesson Scripture:

Matthew 28:1-20

Mark 16:1-20

Luke 24:1-53

"Resurrection and Ascension"**DAY 1 READ THE LESSON SCRIPTURE**

1. What was significant to you from last week's lesson?
2. What proofs of the resurrection are seen in today's reading?

DAY 2 "The Empty Tomb" REVIEW MATTHEW 28:1-15 (Mark 16:1-11; Luke 24:1-12)

3. In Mark 16:1-3 what concerned the women as they went to the tomb?
4. From Matthew 28, how had the tomb been opened?
5. a. How did the angel's appearance affect the guards?
b. What message did the angel give the women?
6. Matthew 28:8 says the women were "afraid yet filled with great joy." Share a time when you've experienced those emotions together.
7. Suddenly they met Jesus. What were His words of comfort?
8. Briefly relate the disciples' reaction to the women's report:
 - a. Mark 16:11
 - b. Luke 24:9-12
9. a. While the women went to the disciples with news, what did the guards do in Matthew 28:11-15?
b. What plan was devised by the leaders?
c. How are people today still trying to explain away the resurrection?

DAY 3 "Road to Emmaus" REVIEW LUKE 24:13-35 (Mark 16:12-13)

10. a. The pair going to Emmaus described Jesus as what in verse 19?
 - b. . . . disappointing because? (verses 21-24)
11. a. Jesus revealed Himself to them through Scripture. How do you think knowing that is helpful for us today?
 - b. (IN-DEPTH) Select a Scripture from Moses/the Prophets you think reveals Christ.
12. a. As the pair reached their destination they invited Jesus in to stay with them. Write Revelation 3:20.
 - b. If you've not already done so, invite Jesus into your life now!
13. a. Upon recognizing Jesus, how did the pair respond and share their joy?
 - b. How do you share the joy of knowing Jesus?

DAY 4 "Appearance of Jesus" REVIEW LUKE 24:36-49 (Matthew 28:16-17; Mark 16:14)

14. What proof did Jesus offer that He was alive?
15. How did Jesus confirm the report of the pair He'd met on the road to Emmaus? (verses 44-45)
16. a. Why do you think it was important that the disciples believe Jesus was not a ghost?
 - b. How could Jesus strengthen your faith in Him?
17. What did Jesus say was to be preached/proclaimed?
18. a. What other instructions did they receive?
 - b. From Acts 1:8 and Acts 2:1-4, what power?

DAY 5 "Commission and Ascension" REVIEW MATTHEW 28:18-20 (Mark 16:15-20; Luke 24:50-53)

19. a. Jesus told the disciples what in Matthew 28:18?
 - b. What did He command them to do?
 - c. What was His promise?
20. What do you see as your responsibility in fulfilling the Great Commission?
21. From Luke 24:50-53 and Acts 1:9-11 . . .
 - a. Describe the ascension of Jesus.
 - b. What did the two men promise?
 - c. What did the disciples do upon the return to Jerusalem from the Luke passage?
22. a. Where is Christ now? (see Ephesians 1:20)
 - b. What is His promise in John 14:1-4?
23. Write out Jude 24,25 and read it aloud (even at home).
24. Review the goals you set in Lesson 1. How did you do?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: