

Parents Connect

Bible Story:
Jesus Taught About Prayer (Matt. 4: 23-35; 5:1; 6:5-14)
Bible Phrase: "Jesus talked to God" (Matt. 14:23).
Bible Truth: Jesus taught me how to pray.



God's Unfolding Story



1. God created everything



2. People disobeyed God.



3. God chose a special people.



4. **God sent Jesus to help us.**



5. Jesus began the Church.



6. Jesus is preparing heaven for us.



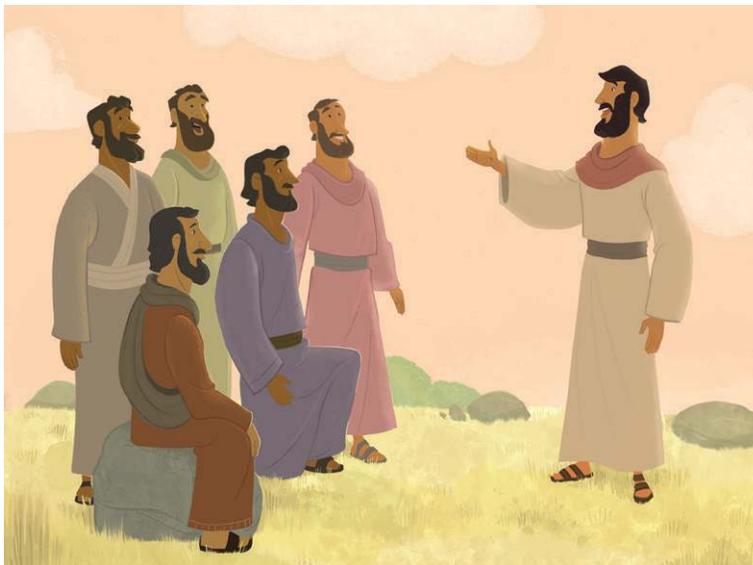
Unfolding God's Story For Parents

This month we are learning from Jesus some very important things. This week explain that prayer is just like having a conversation, only we are talking with God. Begin by asking your preschooler "What do you like to talk about most?" (prompt with suggestions, a pet, a friend, a favorite snack, a game)

Say, "I enjoy listening to you. Did you know that God enjoys listening to us too?"

Tell the story. Talk about examples of ways that we can pray using Jesus' example.

Share the Bible Phrase and pray with your preschooler all through the week.



you and God."

Jesus told His helpers when they prayed to pray something like this:

"Father we honor Your name.

Do on Earth what You would do in heaven. Give us the food we will need today.

Forgive us when we do wrong, and help us forgive those who do wrong to us.

Keep us from doing unkind things.

We know You are powerful and wonderful forever. Amen."

Activity Suggestion

Make a Picture Prayer Chart

Use a file folder or a piece of construction paper. Mark off squares to cover the page like a tic tac toe board. Think with your preschooler about things that your family can pray about. Then help find pictures in magazines or family pictures or draw stick pictures in the boxes to remind each of you of the prayer items. Practice praying through the pictures, then post in a place that your preschooler can look back at the pictures and pray each day.

Bible Story

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Flip, flop, flip, flop went Jesus' sandals as He walked throughout Galilee, teaching and healing the sick. Everywhere Jesus went, crowds of people followed Him to hear the news of God's love and to see the amazing things Jesus would do.

One day, a crowd gathered around Jesus; so He went up on the hillside along with His disciples and began to teach. Jesus taught a lot of important things that day, but one thing He talked about was prayer. Jesus said, "Don't pray to show off to other people or just so people will hear you. Prayer is a special time between