



Lesson 7

The Road to Emmaus

Based on: Luke 24:13-35

“How good it is to sing praises to our God.”

Psalm 147:1



Preschool

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Teacher Preparation

Supplies

-Lesson 7 Teacher Guide - GL Preschool Year 2 Spring

You can use the [Teacher Preparation Sheet](#) to help plan for this lesson.

You can order the *Preschool Music #2 CD* or physical copies of lesson posters and other resources while supplies last by calling 800-446-7735.

Who?

Jesus, Jesus' friends

What?

After God made Jesus alive again, Jesus appeared to two friends (Luke 24:13-35)

When & Where?

On the first Easter, on the road between Jerusalem and Emmaus

Why?

To help children thank God that Jesus is with them

Goals For Each Child

1. **Identify how Jesus' friends felt when they realized that Jesus was with them**
2. **Tell places he or she goes**
3. **Thank God that Jesus is always with him or her**



Teacher Challenge

Read Luke 24:13-35.

What does this story show you about Jesus' love for His people? What hope does it give you?

Two followers of Jesus—who had seen Jesus heal sickness, forgive sin, raise the dead and give hope where there was none—were in despair. Jesus was dead! In grief, they walked the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus.

A stranger, One who explained one Scripture after another about the Messiah, fell in with them. Hope rose in the listeners. As they sat down to eat, these two realized that Jesus had been with them all along! When Jesus disappeared, they *had* to tell of their new and certain hope! So they hurried seven miles in the darkness back to Jerusalem. The distance was no obstacle—Jesus is truly alive!

-How might someone act who believes in God's real and living presence?

-In what way can you show your belief in God's presence in your life?

God has given us the same miracle of His presence with us! Remember the disciples' example. Recognize that in the darkest moment, He is with you. Share your hope in whatever way you can to help your children understand this good news: Jesus is alive!



30 minutes

Play to Learn

Teachers guide small groups of children in one or more activities

Bible Story Activities

Blocks Center

Supplies

- Bible
- Blocks
- Toy people

Do

Children build a block road and then move toy people down the road. **In our story today, Jesus' friends walked down a road.**

Teaching Tip

Make two masking-tape lines parallel to each other. Children place blocks on masking tape to make the edges of the roads. (Remove tape immediately after activity.)

Tip For Younger Children

Start the block road, and invite children to help you finish the road. Then lead children to walk toy people on road.

Dramatic Play Center



Supplies

- Bible
- Picnic basket
- Blanket
- Toy dishes and food

Prepare

Place blanket, toy dishes and food inside picnic basket.

Do

Lead children on a walk around the room, and pretend to go on a picnic. Stop at an open area and invite children to lay out blanket and play with toy dishes and food. **In our story today, Jesus ate with His friends after they had walked along a road.**

Teaching Tip

If you do not have toy dishes and food, cut out magazine pictures of food and glue them onto paper plates.

Tip For Younger Children

Lay out blanket and invite children to play with toy food. Remind children that the food is a toy and not to be put in their mouth.

Talk About



-In our Bible story today, two of Jesus' friends were walking on a road. Jesus walked and talked and ate with them, but at first they did not know who He was.

-When Jesus' friends realized who was with them, they ran to tell Jesus' other friends that He is alive. They were excited and very thankful! Hold open Bible. The Bible says, "How good it is to sing praises to our God." We praise God by thanking Him that Jesus is alive and with us.

-Garrett, where do you like to walk with your mom? Jesus is with you wherever you walk.

Bible Verse Activities

Art Center

Supplies

- Bible
- Construction paper
- Markers
- Crayons

Do

Outline children's shoes as they stand on separate sheets of construction paper. Children color shoe prints. Make a paper path with the traced prints. Children walk along path. Say, **Jesus is with us everywhere we go.**

Teaching Tip

Some children enjoy trying to do things by themselves. Give older children a crayon to trace their own shoes.

Tip For Younger Children

Lead children on the path by walking in front of them.



Game Center

Supplies

- Bible
- Ball

Do

Children sit in two lines facing each other. Children take turns rolling ball to each other.

Teaching Tip

This game will work best when there are no more than four children sitting in each line. If your class has more than eight children, provide additional balls, so the game can be played by several groups of children at one time.

Tip For Younger Children

Children sit with you in a circle and roll ball back and forth to you instead of to other children.

Talk About

-Point to Psalm 147:1 in your Bible. **The Bible says, "How good it is to sing praises to our God." We can praise and thank God that Jesus is with us everywhere we go.**

-Paige, where do you go with your dad? **Jesus is with you when you go through the car wash. I'm glad Jesus is with you wherever you go!**

-Patrick, where do you like to go with your mom? **Jesus is with you when you go to the library.**

-**Let's thank God that Jesus is with us everywhere we go.** Lead children in a brief prayer. **Dear God, thank You that Jesus is with us everywhere we go. Amen.**



15 minutes

Listen to Learn

Large-Group Time

Supplies

- Bible
- Callie puppet
- Bite-sized portions of bread
- Napkins
- Flannel board
- Optional—God's Story for Me Bible storybook
- Story Figures 29-33 - GL PreK/K Year 2 Spring
- Bible Verse Poster 2 - GL PreK/K Year 2 Spring

One teacher leads this large-group time to guide children in hearing and understanding the Bible story and Bible verse

Prepare

Post a note alerting parents to the use of food in this activity. Also check registration forms for possible food allergies or restrictions.

Come Together

Use this song to signal the beginning of Listen to Learn time. Doing the suggested motions, sing the following words to the tune of "Jingle Bells":

**Come and sing, come and sing.
Wiggle, won't you please?
First your fingers, then your arms,
Wiggle now with me.**



Repeat.

Sing song several times, replacing the third line with other body parts to wiggle ("Next your shoulders and your head," "Now your legs and then your toes," etc.).

Bible Verse

Open your Bible to Psalm 147:1. **The Bible says, "How good it is to sing praises to our God." We can praise and thank God with our voices. Let's whisper these words from the Bible.** Whisper the Bible verse with children. **Now let's say our Bible verse louder for others to hear.** Lead children in repeating verse loudly. Repeat Bible verse several times, alternating whispering and speaking loudly.

Enrichment Idea

Invite volunteers to choose additional ways to say the verse (standing up, sitting down, whispering in a friend's ear, etc.). Repeat verse in different ways until each child has had an opportunity to choose a way.

Prayer

Show Bible Verse Poster 2. **What are these children doing? How do you think they feel? What do you do when you are happy? We can be happy because Jesus is always with us. We can thank and praise God for Jesus.** Lead children in prayer. **Dear God, thank You that Jesus is alive. Thank You that He is always with us. Amen.**

Song

This song reminds me that one reason I am thankful for Jesus is because He is alive. Play "Jump, Shout!" several times, inviting children to sing along with you.

Puppet Time

Supplies



-**"I'm Not Alone!" Puppet Script - GL Preschool Year 2 Spring**

Use Callie puppet to perform the puppet script on the last page of this lesson.

I'm Not Alone!

(Note: Play both parts, changing your voice for the puppet. Or you may have a helper play one of the parts.)



Callie: *(Attempts to bark like a dog, but it comes out as a cross between a meow and a ruff. Tries again. Then tries one more time before LEADER interrupts.)*

Leader: Callie, what are you doing?

Callie: Oh, hi! I'm trying to sound like my friend, Buddy the dog. I really like him. He's a good friend.

Leader: What makes Buddy such a good friend?

Callie: It's a long story. Are you sure you want me to tell you?

Leader: Yes, we would love to listen to your story about Buddy.

Callie: Okay. Here it goes. The other day, I really wanted to go outside. So I waited and waited by the front door until my person finally let me out.

Leader: That was very kind of your person.

Callie: It WAS kind of her. It felt so good to be outside breathing in the fresh air. So I decided to take a stroll down the street. But all of a sudden this big cat who lives down the street came running out in front of me. He's not very nice.

Leader: He's not nice?

Callie: No, not at all! Whenever I see him, I usually get SO scared that I run away. But this time the big cat got scared and ran away first!

Leader: What happened?

Callie: At first, I didn't know why the big cat ran away. But then I turned around and saw Buddy standing right behind me. He was there the whole time watching out for me.

Leader: That's great, Callie! Your story reminds me about the Bible story we are learning about today. There is someone who is with us wherever we go. Do you know who that is?



Callie: Hmm . . . nope. No idea.

Leader: Jesus is with us wherever we go. When we take a stroll down the street, ride in the car or play at the park, Jesus is always with us.

Callie: Jesus is always with you and the boys and the girls?

Leader: Yes, He is!

Callie: Wow! Doesn't that make you want to bark—or purr?

Leader: Hmm. It definitely makes me want to say "Thank You" to God! It was good to see you today, Callie.

Callie: It was good to see all of you, too.

Leader: But now it is time for you to go home.

Callie: Bye!

Bible Story

The Road To Emmaus | Luke 24:13-35

Use bite-sized portions of bread, napkins and Figures 29-33 to help tell the Bible story on the next page.

Introduction

Serve each child a bite-sized portion of bread on a napkin. **In Bible times, Jesus and two of His friends ate some bread together. When do you eat bread?** Volunteers tell answers. **Listen to find out what happened when Jesus and His friends ate bread together.** (Hold your Bible open to Luke 24 as you tell the following story.)

Walking Out Of Jerusalem

Two of Jesus' friends were very sad. They were sad because Jesus had died. The two friends slowly walked down a road. They were walking from the big city of Jerusalem to the little town of



Emmaus (eh-MAYuhs). As they walked, they talked about Jesus. They talked about the sad day when Jesus died. They wondered about the stories they had heard that Jesus was alive again. *How could Jesus be alive?* They did not know what to think!

As the two friends walked along, a man came up and walked with them. The man asked them, "What are you talking about?"

"Don't you know what has happened?" one friend asked. "Three days ago, some people who hated our friend Jesus killed Him. Jesus is dead." The friends were sad.

Coming To Emmaus

The man continued to walk and talk with them. When they came to the town of Emmaus, it was time to eat. The two friends said to the man, "Stay and eat with us." The man did stay with them. When the dinner was ready, the man picked up some bread and prayed. Then He took pieces of the bread and handed them to the two friends. Right then the two friends knew—the man was Jesus! They were so excited that Jesus was alive! But then suddenly, Jesus was gone.

Returning To Jerusalem

The two friends left their dinner. They ran right back down the road to Jerusalem, even though it was dark. They found other friends of Jesus'. The two friends told the others, "Jesus is alive!" Everyone who heard this good news was very happy.

Conclusion

Jesus' friends were excited and thankful when they saw that Jesus was with them. We can be thankful that Jesus is with us at all the places we go. We can praise and thank God for Jesus. The Bible says, "How good it is to sing praises to our God."

(Optional: Review story by using pages 425-430 in *God's Story for Me* Bible storybook.)

Creative Bible Storytelling Idea

Outline a road and a house at the end of the road with blocks. Use toy people to show the Bible story action.



15 minutes

Talk to Learn

Supplies

-Lesson 7 TalkTime Activity Page - GL Preschool Year 2 Spring

Teachers guide small groups of children to complete TalkTime activity pages and other activities as time allows

Do

Hand out *TalkTime* activity pages and demonstrate how to complete the page. Distribute sticker pages and crayons or markers. As children complete their own page, talk about the items on the page.

Family Funtime Page

Show page 1 of *Lesson 7 Family FunTime*, review the conversation suggestions, and give the papers to children to take home.

Bible Story Game

Supplies

- Tape
- Picture of Jesus
- Large Post-it Notes

Prepare

Tape picture of Jesus to wall. Cover picture with Post-it Notes.



Do

Children take turns removing Post-it Notes from picture, until complete picture of Jesus is revealed. Repeat as time allows. **In our Bible story today, Jesus walked and talked with two of His friends, but at first they didn't know who He was. Jesus' friends were glad when they realized that Jesus was with them. We can be glad that Jesus is with us, too.**

Music Fun

During transition times, invite children to sing along as they listen to "Jump, Shout!", "Welcome, Hello!" and/or "Good-Bye for Now".

Talk About

- Why were Jesus' friends sad? Jesus walked with them. What did the friends tell Jesus?**
- When Jesus handed the friends some bread, they realized that Jesus was with them. Now how did the friends feel? What did they do next?**
- Read verse with children. **Jesus' friends were thankful that Jesus was with them. We can thank God that Jesus is with us, too.**
- Where do you like to go, Emma? Jesus is with you at your day care.** Lead children in a brief prayer of thanks.





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