

# BLOCKS

I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ~ John 14:6





1. Pick up the yellow block.



Say: "God created you in His image and you matter to Him."

**3.** Attach the yellow and blue blocks.



Say: "But no matter how much He loves us, we make the wrong choices sometimes and that is called sin. Sin separates us from God because it makes us think of ourselves instead of how to love God and others."

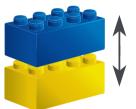
2. Pick up the blue block.



Say: "God so loved the world so much that He gave His one and only Son. Anyone who believes in Him will not die but will have eternal life."

John 3:16

4. Take the blocks apart.



Say: "Everyone has sinned. No one measures up to God's glory. The free gift of God's grace makes all of us right with him. Christ Jesus paid the price to set us free."

Romans 3:23-24



#### 5. Pick the red block up.



Say: "But here is how God has shown his love for us. While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

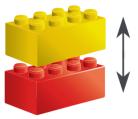
Romans 5:8

7. Pick up the blue block.



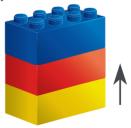
Say: "God Loves us! We can't do anything to make Him love us more, and no amount of sin will make Him love us less. When we say Yes to Jesus, He takes all of our sin on himself so we don't have to pay for it."

**6.** Attach the red block under the yellow block.



Say: "Jesus came to Earth and lived a perfect life so that He could pay the price for our sins. Jesus died on the cross to show us that He is for us! He paid the price for our sin when He died on the cross for us. After three days, Jesus came back to life and proved that not even death can separate us from the love of God."

**8.** Attach all 3 blocks in this order: yellow, red and blue.



Say: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

John 14:6 The only way to be with God is Jesus!

## Are you ready to say Yes?

- 1. Do you know that God loves you and has a plan for your life?
- 2. Do you know that you have sinned and that your sin separates you from God?
- 3. Do You believe that Jesus paid the price for your sin and that He is the only way to be saved? If you answered Yes to all those questions, you are ready!

If you have never taken this step and put your faith in Jesus, you can say YES to Jesus right now!

#### Say this prayer with me, or pray your own prayer:

God, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus died to pay the price for my sins, and that He rose from the dead. Today, I say YES to following you. I know that you are the only way to be forgiven and live forever in heaven with you. Thank you for saving me. Amen.

## **Next Steps**

#### 1. BAPTISM

Baptism isn't a way to get to heaven and it doesn't save you. You can say Yes and follow Jesus without getting baptized. We get baptized for two reasons.

- Jesus got baptized and we want to follow Him by doing the same thing.
- We want to show others we have said Yes to Jesus!

#### 2. CONNECT WITH GOD BY READING YOUR BIBLE

If you don't have a Bible, ask an SV Kids Team Member and we will get one for you!

#### 3. PRAY

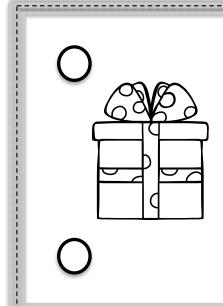
Anytime you need to connect with Jesus all you have to do is talk to Him!

#### 4. FOLLOW JESUS WITH YOUR ACTIONS

The Bible is full of ways we can follow Jesus with our actions, doing this shows others we love Him and love others.



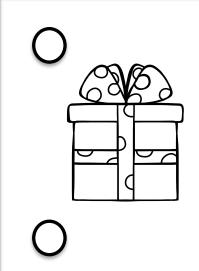




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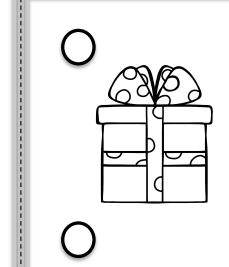
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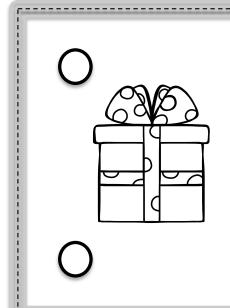
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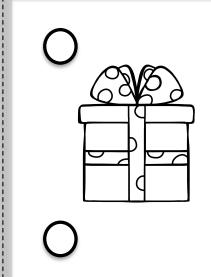
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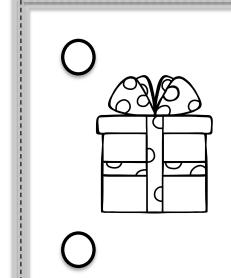
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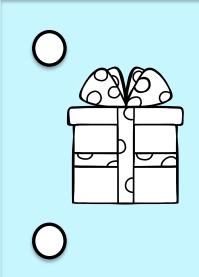
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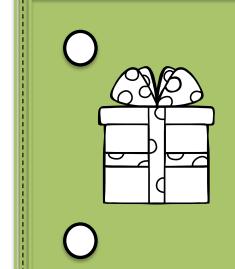
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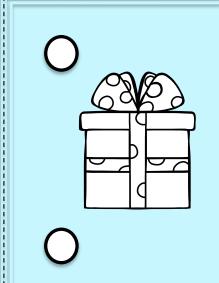
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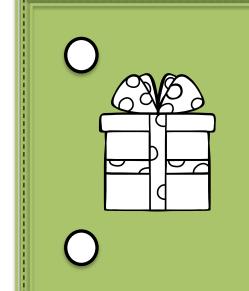
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# Need some Ideas?

- One giant hug
- One night of TV shows you choose
- One movie night- you choose
- One morning of help in the house
- One morning of help in the yard
- One game night you choose
- One hour of no whining
- Be the big boss for one day
- One Free Chore Pass I'll do it
- One Day to Sleep Late
- Breakfast in bed

Don't forget you can use the same idea more than once. So you could give 3 coupons and each one can be for one giant hug!



## In elementary school, kids are fascinated with life. They are discovering new experiences, new ideas and they want someone to discover it with them.

Being present is the most important thing you can do for a kid. They're looking at the world around them, the things they've inherited from their family—the traditions, morals, values and faith—and making decisions about whether what they've observed is something they want for themselves. Decisions kids make now about their relationship with Jesus carry a lot of weight because they're old enough to understand that God is for them. **His grace is real and covers all of their sin—past, present, and future.** 

## **WHAT TO SAY**

## 1. GOD LOVES YOU

- You were made in the image of God. He sees you as you are, He accepts you, and He loves you.
- But we're broken. We behave in a way that's harmful to ourselves and separates us from God. That's called sin. Sin convinces us to focus on ourselves—that we matter most and we know best. While God isn't mad at us, He does know that our sin will hurt us—hurt how we understand ourselves, how we treat others and how we view Him.
- Our sin keeps us from seeing what's true about God, ourselves and others. Sin convinces us that we know best, that God is against us and that we matter more than those around us. Ultimately sin keeps us from God Himself.

## ASK...

- 1. How have you seen sin hurt you or others?
- 2. What is the biggest problem of sin?

## 2.GOD IS FOR YOU

- God knew our sin would make us want to hide from Him and look out only for our best interest with no regard for others.
- God also knew that when we sin we'd think God would want to come after us to punish us. We'd be tempted to distance ourselves from Him to avoid His punishment. But God isn't interested in punishing our sin as revenge. Instead, He wants to free us to live for something better.
- To prove how committed God was to live with us and for us, God sent His Son, Jesus, to go to the greatest length possible to demonstrate His love. Jesus died on the cross for us to show us God is for us. Jesus paid the price of our sin with His death.
- After three days, Jesus was resurrected from the dead, proving He has ultimate power, and that He can do what He says He'll do. And we can know that nothing–not even death–can separate us from Him. When we put our faith in Him, He has the power to change our lives!.

## ASK...

- 1. What was the purpose of God sending Jesus to die?
- 2. How do you feel about someone who is willing to die for you?

## 3. WHOEVER BELIEVES IN JESUS

- Believing in what God demonstrated through Jesus is like accepting a gift.
- We accept the gift when we decide to trust that the God who made us is for us—that He is willing to do anything to prove His love and that He wants what's best for us. We show that trust by lliving in a way that reflects our confidence that what God says is best.
- We know that God loves us and nothing we do could ever change that. No amount of good behavior and no amount of sin will change the way He feels about us.
- We can help others to receive that same gift when we use our lives to love God and love others.

## ASK...

- 1. How do we show that we trust what God did for us?
- 2. How does knowing about God's love for us change the way we see Him?

## WHAT NOT TO SAY

## "INVITE JESUS IN YOUR HEART..."

This phrase can be confusing as kids are concrete thinkers. They need to know it is a relationship with Jesus and a choice they make.

## "YOU HAVE TO PRAY LIKE THIS..."

Don't get hung up on the "right words" but rather the heart with which they pray. It is just a conversation with God.

## ANY ANSWER YOU MAKE UP.

"I don't know" is a legitimate answer to questions your kid has about faith. There's so much that we don't understand about God. Instead of appearing to have all the answers search them out together. This is a great opportunity to model faith.

## **NEXT STEPS...**

## **BAPTISM**

Jesus modeled baptism and commands us to be baptized when we decide to say YES to following Him. We would love to celebrate with your family as your child makes their faith public by being baptized!

To register, or for more information, go to: baptism.sv.cc

#### **SAMPLE PRAYER**

God, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus died to pay the price for my sins and that He rose from the dead. Today, I say YES to following you and accepting your gift. I know that you are the only way to be forgiven and live forever in heaven with you. Thank you for saving me. Amen.







