

Three easy steps for an at-home experience!



BIG IDEA:

Share the Good News about Jesus

When Jesus rose from the dead, he spent the next 40 days wrapping up some things here on earth. One of the things he did was put us to work! When he left for heaven, the disciples stood there and looked at the sky until an angel came and told them it's time to move on. Now it's time to do the job that Jesus left us to do! Our job is to share God's great plan of rescue with the whole world!



STEP ONE: READ THE BIBLE STORY

Matthew 28:16-20 in the NIV Bible.
Story not found in the Read With Me Bible.

STEP TWO: WATCH THE TEACHING VIDEO

Available at youtube.com/eastviewkids
The Great Rescue - Week 7



STEP THREE: CHOOSE AN ACTIVITY

FOR ALL KIDS: "Sharing" Cream

Materials: New can of shaving cream, several plastic cups

In the lesson today, Jesus commanded his disciples to share the good news about his death and resurrection with all nations! Let's talk about this. First of all, what is the "good news?" What does "all nations" mean? Did Jesus give this command to just his disciples?

Jesus wants each one of us to share the news about his love with everyone, everywhere! He loved us so much that he died for us, so that we don't have to be separated from God. We can look forward to spending forever with him in the most wonderful place we could ever imagine! We want everyone to have this chance! We want everyone to know how much Jesus loves them!

But how can we spread the news to everyone? We don't know everyone? We just live here in our town. We know the people at our school and in our neighborhood and in our family. How can we spread the good news to all nations??

Take a look at this can of shaving cream. We are going to call this "sharing cream," because it represents what the Holy Spirit can do with our efforts to tell others about Jesus. We might think we can't do much, but the Holy Spirit can take whatever we do and make it grow and grow!

How many of these cups do you think I could fill with "sharing" cream from this small can here? OK, let's find out!

Start filling each cup with shaving cream—you could even give your kids a chance to spray some! When you are done, you will have loads of filled cups!

Wow! Look at that! This little can produced all of that! When we tell others about Jesus, that message can grow and reach so many people! And they can learn about Jesus' love for them!



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FOR ALL KIDS: Spread the News

Materials: Papers with messages about Jesus: Jesus loves you, Jesus died for you, You are God's child, etc.

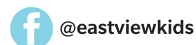
Jesus commanded his disciples, and us, to spread the news about his love to everyone! We are going to play a game to spread some messages all around our house!

Give each family member a stack of messages—maybe 2 or 3 each. Explain that you want them to race to each room in the house and leave a message there! They cannot leave a message where someone else has already left one. If they run out of rooms to leave messages, they can leave them in closets! On your go, everyone should race around the house to deliver the messages and return to the starting point.

Now, go to each room and find the message! Read the message together! Remind your family that all these messages can be shared with everyone we know and meet!



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