

Bringing The Story Home-Ch. 31- Week of September 10th Revelation

Bringing The Story Home is a tool for you to use with your family to connect with the weekly lessons taught in "The Story" curriculum. Feel free to use these activities in a way that fits your family life. Do what works with the time you have each week.



Big Idea: I Can Live With Jesus Forever!

Bible Basis: Revelation 1:1–20; 4:1–11; 5:13–14; 19:11–15; 21:10–18, 21–27; 22:7–14, 16–21

Key Verse: Look! He is coming with the clouds. Every eye will see him. —Revelation 1:7

Parent Tips: Read and discuss the Big Idea from TrueKidz. Use the Table Talk questions to start a discussion around the dinner table or at some point this week. The Living Faith activity demonstrates how God will separate those who believe in him from those who were never his followers. The Extra Mile has your family watch videos of worship songs based on this chapter of The Story and a video about the importance of telling others about God.

Table Talk:

- **John says the time that all these things will happen "is near," but that was around 2,000 years ago. Why hasn't Jesus returned yet?**
- **It helps to understand that God isn't bound by time. He's infinite. 2 Peter 3:8 explains it this way: "With the Lord a day is like a thousand years. And a thousand years are like a day." What would it be like if time didn't matter?**
- **Have you ever wanted to go back in time? If you could visit any point in time, where would you go?**
- **How does it feel to get to the end of The Story and know that God wins?**

Living Faith: Some scary things happen in this chapter of The Story. Battles are fought. Strange-looking creatures appear. God judges everybody and separates those who know him and people who never followed him. The Bible says, "Only those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life will enter the city." When you pray to accept Jesus into your heart, God's Lamb writes your name in his book. God knows everybody's heart, so he can easily separate out his followers.

Do a fun experiment that allows you to separate salt from pepper. You'll need a paper towel, salt, pepper, and a balloon. (If you don't have a balloon, a comb can work, too.) First, create a small pile of salt and pepper. Make sure they're well-mixed together. Second, blow up the balloon and rub it quickly back and forth against your hair. Rubbing it against a wool sweater works, too. Once you've created enough static electricity, move the balloon slowly toward the pile. The pepper should jump up and stick to the balloon, while the salt will be left behind. Try the same experiment using a comb. Create your pile of salt and pepper, then comb your hair. Put the comb about an inch from the pile and separate out the pepper.

- Is the pepper better than the salt and is that why it jumps to the comb? (No, the pepper is lighter and more easily attracted.)
- As Christians, are we better than people who don't believe in Jesus? (No, we just followed the Holy Spirit's prompting and made the decision to follow Jesus.)
- Because God's judgment day is going to happen, don't you think it's super important to share God's love with everybody?

Prayer Time: Dear Lord, we thank you for guiding us on this journey through Your Story. Help us to share Your story with others as we go through life. We thank you that you have guaranteed us a place in heaven to be with you forever. Amen!