

# AT-HOME ACTIVITY GUIDE

WEEK OF MARCH 21st

# **BIG IDEA**

Jesus said yes to God's plans.

## THE BIBLE

Jesus Brings Glory to God John 12:20-33

## **MEMORY VERSE**

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

#### **FAMILY TABLE TALK**

Keep the conversations going around the dinner table this week!

Use our Family Table Talk guide to help review the lesson and connect with your kids over one meal this week. Find the guide at <a href="https://www.loopkids.org/blueprints">www.loopkids.org/blueprints</a>

#### **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Visit <a href="https://www.loopkids.org/blueprints">www.loopkids.org/blueprints</a> to find the link to this week's video, Family Table Talk and coloring page.

And be sure to check out additional activities below!

#### YOUNGER KIDS ACTIVITY | Demolition Station

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Create a wrecking ball by attaching a plastic ball to some string and dangling it from a doorframe or some sort of stand. Have your little ones line up wooden, cardboard, or foam blocks and take turns "demo-ing" them by swinging the wrecking ball.

## YOUNGER & OLDER KIDS ACTIVITY | Growing Seeds

**NOTE**: You will want to purchase some seeds and potting soil ahead of time for this activity (lima bean seeds work well for this).

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Give your kid a clear, plastic cup filled two thirds of the way with potting soil along with three to four large seeds.. Instruct them to press the seeds down between the side of the cup and the dirt so the seeds are visible from the outside of the cup. Gently water each cup and encourage the kids to keep them in a sunny spot, watering them a little bit each day. Explain that, over the next few days, they will be able to see roots growing down and eventually shoots sprouting up.

**SAY:** Have you ever watched a seed sprout before? What part do you think will grow first? How many days do you think we'll have to wait before we start to see our seeds sprout? In our story today, Jesus used the example of a seed. Can a seed do anything on its own? No, it can't. If we just left these seeds in a bag on the shelf with no soil, water, or sunshine, they would never be anything more than just seeds.

What happens when a seed is planted in good soil, watered just right, and given sunlight? It will grow! If a seed follows the right plan, it can grow into a fruitful plant or tree. Jesus said yes to God's plans, just like a seed that is planted. Even though sometimes God's plans take time, just like seeds take time to grow, God's plans are always good.

#### **OLDER KIDS ACTIVITY | Saying Yes**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Tell a story about a time when you said yes to something that you weren't sure about, but everything turned out great. Why did you not want to say yes at first? What changed your mind? What happened as a result?

**ASK:** What is something that you have said yes to that you weren't sure about? How did it turn out?