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Learners understand and retain more when the learning process takes into consideration how they learn best.

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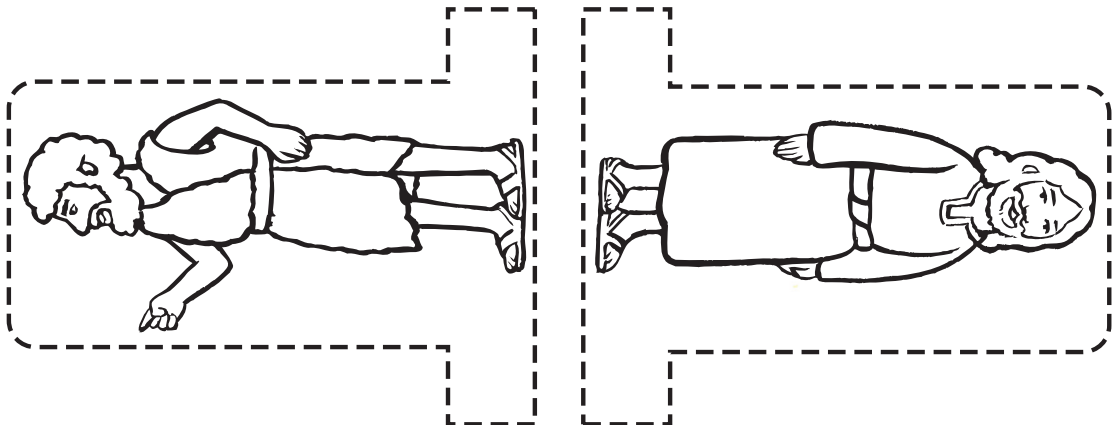
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John the Baptist prepares the way for Jesus

Mark 1:1-8



Instructions: Help your kids color the two stand-up figures and cut them out. Bend the tabs to make bases for the figures. Then tell about John the Baptist pointing the way to Jesus. *(For additional instructions, see the Teacher Guide.)*

WHAT I LEARNED TODAY...

Bible Time

This week's Bible passage (Mark 1:1-8) tells us that God sent a special man to prepare the way for Jesus. His name was John the Baptist, and he had a very important job. He helped the people make their hearts clean for the Lord Jesus. John shouted, "Prepare the way for the Lord. Make straight paths for him."

John had a tough life. He lived in the desert, wore camel's skin clothing, and ate locusts and honey, but he didn't mind. John knew his job was important. He pointed the way to Jesus. Many people from the cities and countryside came to hear John's message.

Key Verse: I bring great news; Jesus is born! (adapted from Luke 2:10-11).



Here's a practical activity that will help your child experience forgiveness throughout the week.

Read about John the Baptist pointing the way to Jesus (Mark 1:1-8); then remind your child that Jesus wants our hearts to be clean, and sin makes our hearts dirty.

Draw a heart shape on a piece of paper, and help your child cut it out. Write your preschooler's name on the paper heart, and slip it into a resealable plastic bag. Talk with your child about sins that kids commit. Ask your preschooler to mark the plastic bag with a washable marker each time he or she sins or disobeys. When a mark is made on the plastic bag, take the opportunity to help your preschooler pray, asking Jesus to forgive sins as they occur. Then have your child experience the cleansing feeling of using a damp cloth to wipe the "mark of sin" off the bag.



Visit a park that has sand or go to the beach

this week to help your child remember about John the Baptist living in the desert. Bring the two stand-up figures your child brought home. Sit down next to your child, and put the John the Baptist figure and the Jesus figure a short distance from each other. Trace your finger in the sand, and let your child follow your trail. Take turns following each other's trail to Jesus. You might also make footprints in the sand and talk about following Jesus. Remind your child that John led the way to Jesus.

Daily Challenge

This week, your child learned that we get ready for Jesus. Your child committed to one of the following challenges to get his or her heart ready for Jesus. Help your

child weave faith into life this week and follow through on the challenge!

- Make an ornament that shows a clean heart, and hang it on your Christmas tree. As you hang it up, pray and thank Jesus for coming to earth.
- Help your mom or dad wash dishes. As you wash the dishes, ask God to wash your heart and make it clean for Jesus.





Dear Parents,

Your family is important to our church, and we want to support your role as spiritual leader to your child.

In our effort to provide the highest quality Christian education, we are using **FaithWeaver NOW®** Sunday school. FaithWeaver NOW makes Bible learning fun by using a variety of active experiences to help students learn in the ways they learn best.

FaithWeaver NOW also helps people of all ages “weave faith into life” by applying the Bible to their lives throughout every week. With FaithWeaver NOW, students walk through the Bible over the course of three years.

Research shows that the most powerful influence on children’s faith development is the conversation about faith that takes place in the home. We want to partner with you in your child’s Christian education.

With the resources that are part of FaithWeaver NOW, you can make a huge contribution to your child’s Christian growth by leading activities and discussions that help make connections and apply what’s learned at church to daily life. That’s why every week your child will receive a take-home page that includes ideas for family discussions and activities that will help cement what your child learns at church.

All FaithWeaver NOW resources—for infants through adults—explore the same Bible passage each week, making it easier for you to help your family grow in faith together.

This quarter, we hope you’ll find encouragement in your role as a parent and a spiritual leader to your child. May these tools serve to remind you how important you are in your child’s life—and how blessed you are to be entrusted with this awesome responsibility!

God bless you,

Your **FaithWeaver NOW** Church



The FaithWeaver NOW Student Book is woven into every lesson to provide an essential transformative experience that makes the Bible unforgettable.

BONUS...every Student Book includes weekly take-home activities!

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This quarter you'll explore these Bible passages:

	BIBLE CONTENT/SCRIPTURE	KEY VERSE	BIBLE POINT
WEEK 1	John the Baptist Prepares the Way for Jesus (Mark 1:1-8)	I bring great news; Jesus is born! (adapted from Luke 2:10-11).	We get ready for Jesus.
WEEK 2	God Dwells With Us (John 1:1-14)		Jesus is God.
WEEK 3	Jesus Is Born (Luke 1:26-38; 2:1-20)		Jesus was born.
WEEK 4	Faithful People Thank God for Jesus (Luke 2:22-40)		We thank God for Jesus.
WEEK 5	Wise Men Find Jesus (Matthew 2:1-12)	God loves us so much he sent his Son, Jesus (adapted from John 3:16).	We worship Jesus.
WEEK 6	John Baptizes Jesus (Mark 1:4-11)		Jesus made God happy.
WEEK 7	Jesus Surprises Nathanael (John 1:43-51)		Jesus knows us.
WEEK 8	Disciples Follow Jesus (Mark 1:14-20)		Follow Jesus.
WEEK 9	Jesus Demonstrates His Authority (Mark 1:21-28)	Come to me and rest (adapted from Matthew 11:28).	Jesus is strong.
WEEK 10	Jesus Heals, Prays, and Preaches (Mark 1:29-39)		Jesus cares for us.
WEEK 11	Jesus Calms a Storm (Mark 4:35-41)		Jesus helps us when we're afraid.
WEEK 12	Four Friends Help a Paralyzed Man (Mark 2:1-12)		Jesus forgives us.
WEEK 13	Jesus Heals the Blind Man (Mark 10:46-52)		Jesus cares for us.



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