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# Dear Friend,

I am so excited that you are going to be a part of 40 Days!

Following Jesus is the greatest adventure in life! Jesus calls out for you to follow him because he wants you to know how much He loves you. Like any great adventure there are some key steps that will help you along the way. These five specific steps will help you in learning the art of following Jesus.

1. **Participate** – Come to Journey Kids every weekend!

2. **Read** – Spend time reading the Bible and this devotional.

3. **Join** – When you are in Journey Kids, be a part of the conversations with your friends and leaders.

4. **Memorize** – Memorize the weekly Bible verse. (We have something special for you when you do!)

5. **Sacrifice** – Each week give up something to help you focus more on God.

When we sacrifice something, we are simply giving that something up for a while so that we can have more time to focus on God. Some adults give up food for a few days, others give up TV or social media. When we intentionally make more time for God, He always teaches us something amazing! Sacrifice is a great way to grow closer and closer to God. Kids can't always give up the same thing as adults, but there are great ways for you to participate! You might give up TV or video games or sugary treats and then spend that time you would typically spend doing those things, reading the Bible, praying or doing this devotional instead.

Over these 40 Days you will learn who Jesus is, why He came to earth, and how you can follow Him. I am so excited for all that God is going to show you over these 40 Days! Are you ready for the greatest adventure of your life?

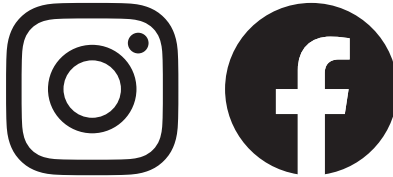
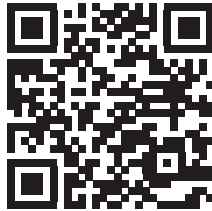
Pastor James

# Hey Parents,

We are so excited for you and your family to be a part of 40 Days. This book is for your kids to participate through reading Bible verses, doing activities together, and praying. There is also a section for you to do as a family each week!

Your Journey Kids Family

## Check out more fun here!



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# 1. Participate

Come to Journey Kids every weekend!

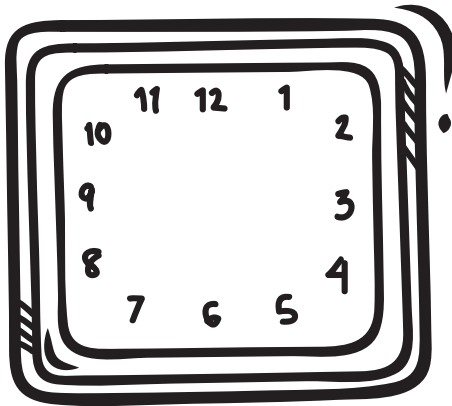
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# 2. Read

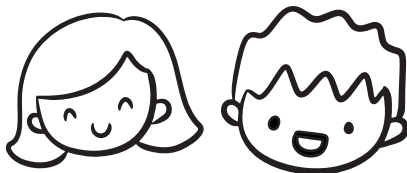
Spend time reading the Bible, praying and  
doing this devotional!

Use a pencil and fill in the time that you like to read your Bible and pray!



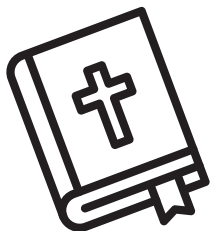
## 3. Join

When you are in Journey Kids, be a part of the conversation with your friends and leaders!



## 4. Memorize

Memorize the weekly Bible verse. (When you do, we have something special for you!) Things that can help you memorize: Write the verse down and put it somewhere you can see it every day, practice saying it aloud, or color a picture that reminds you of the verse.



## 5. Sacrifice

Each week, give up something to help you focus more on God. You might give up TV, video games, or sugary treats, and then spend that time you would typically spend doing those things reading the Bible, praying, or doing this devotional instead!



# WEEK ONE

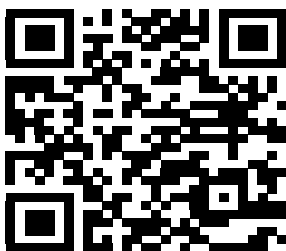
## The Call

Write down or draw what you are  
giving up this week!



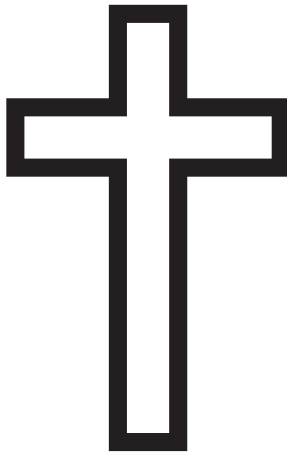
Whoever wants to be my  
disciple must say no to  
themselves. They must  
pick up their cross  
and follow me.  
Mark 8:34

**Watch the video from the link below!**



*When you come back to Journey Kids and have this  
verse memorized, we will have something special  
for you!*

**Jesus tells us how to follow him. He said we cannot just do what we want, but we should do what He wants us to do! That isn't always easy, but Jesus said nothing on earth is better than having a relationship with him!**



**Color in the place below you like to  
pray to Jesus!**

1. Home



2. Church



3. Nature



**My favorite place to pray is**

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**Write down or draw a picture of the  
people and things you can pray for today!**

# As a Family

1. Play a game of Follow the Leader and let everyone have a chance to be the leader.
2. When we played Follow the Leader, did you like to lead or follow?
3. What should we do to follow Jesus? Will it always be easy?
4. Practice saying the memory verse together.
5. Pray together.

*Dear God, help us follow you more closely. Give us the courage to do the right thing, even when it isn't easy, Amen.*

# WEEK TWO

## Called out to Surrender

Write down or draw what you are  
giving up this week!

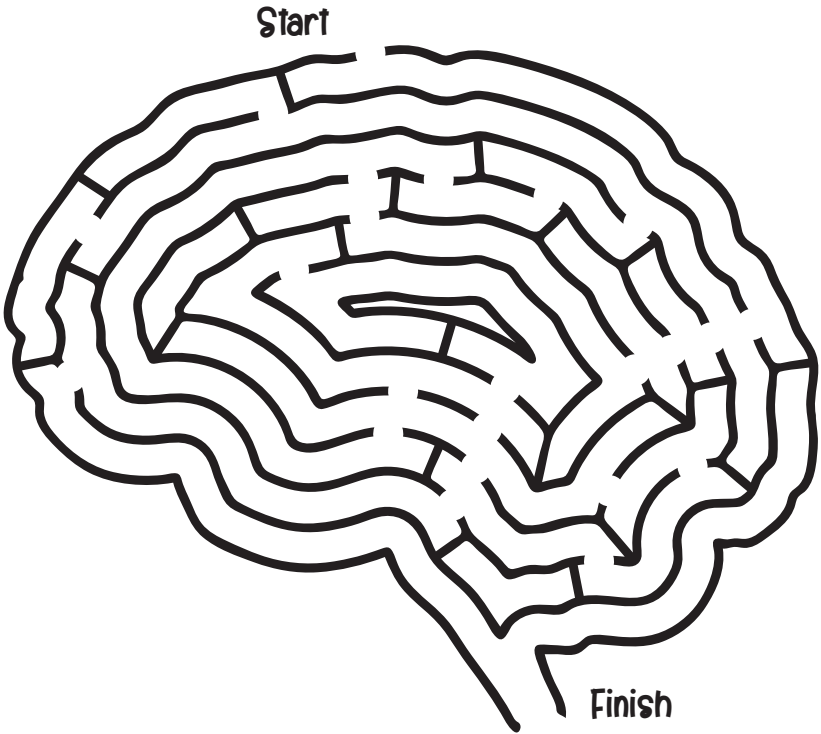
# Romans 12:2

Write the verse down below or write it on a piece of paper and put it somewhere you can see it every day. You can practice saying it aloud or draw a picture that reminds you of the verse!

Watch the video from the link below!



*When you come back to Journey Kids and have this verse memorized, we will have something special for you!*



**It looks like there is more than one way to get from the beginning to the end of this maze. But you know that there was only one. There might be something in life we want and try to get it our way but God reminds us that His way is the best way. God's plan is always perfect!**

**The best thing we could  
ever want is what God  
wants! He will take care of  
everything else we need!**

**List below and pray through the things God  
wants for the world and for you!**

1.

2.

3

4.

5.



# As a Family

1. Draw a caterpillar together.

Draw a butterfly together.

2. How does a caterpillar turn into a butterfly?

3. Just like how a caterpillar transforms into a butterfly, we transform when we trust in God. What are some ways that we change when we choose to follow Jesus?

4. Practice saying the memory verse together.

5. Pray together.

*Dear God, you are perfect. Thank you for loving us even though we are imperfect. Help us to trust in you as you change us and want the things you want. Amen.*

# WEEK THREE

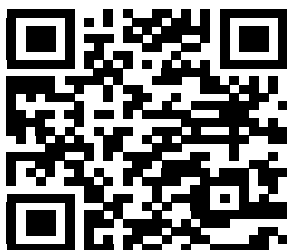
**Called out to Choose**

**Write down or draw what you are  
giving up this week!**

**I have been crucified with  
Christ. I don't live any longer,  
but Christ lives in me. Now I live  
my life in my body by faith in the  
Son of God. He loved me and  
gave himself for me.**

**Galatians 2:20**

**Color the memory verse above.  
Watch the video from the link below!**



*When you come back to Journey Kids and have this  
verse memorized, we will have something special  
for you!*

# Match who God is with what He can do!

**Healer**

God is on my side and will fight for me

**Friend**

God is in charge and wants the best for me

**Peace**

I will choose joy because God is my joy

**Forgiveness**

He is my hope for every situation

**Love**

He forgives me for anything I have done and will do

**Hope**

Jesus loves me the most

**Joy**

He brings me peace no matter what I go through

**King**

He is always with me

**Protector**

God heals all our diseases

**We can thank God for loving us and welcoming us into His family through Jesus. Ask him to help you to love and welcome others too!**

*Draw or write down people's names either in your family or others you know who you can show kindness and love towards.*

# As a Family

1. What is something you are worried or nervous about?
2. How can you approach that thing with faith? (refer back to the matching activity)
3. Practice saying the memory verse together.
4. Pray together.

*Dear God, you are perfect. Thank you for loving and accepting us because of what Jesus did for us on the cross. Help us to love others the way you love us. Amen.*

# WEEK FOUR

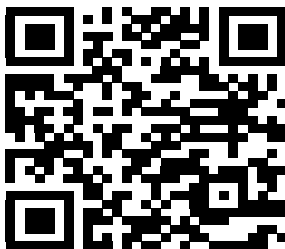
**Called out to Receive,  
not Achieve**

**Write down or draw what you are  
giving up this week!**

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

## **Romans 5:8**

**Color the memory verse above.  
Watch the video from the link below!**



*When you come back to Journey Kids and have this  
verse memorized, we will have something special  
for you!*



**Choose an object in the room.  
Draw that object below, but  
here's the catch: you can't look  
down at the paper!**

Was it difficult to draw?

Does it look better or worse than you thought it would?

**Draw the object you used on  
the previous page, but this  
time, you can look down at  
the paper!**

Was this drawing better than your first one?  
Our lives are better when we follow Jesus than when  
we lead ourselves, just like your drawing was better  
when you could look down at the paper!

# As a Family

1. What was the best/worst part of your week?
2. What things can we thank God for?
3. What things can we ask for God to help us with?
4. Practice saying the memory verse together.
5. Pray together.

*Dear God, thank you for loving us even though we're not perfect. Help us keep our eyes on you. Amen.*

# **WEEK FIVE**

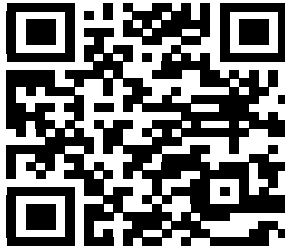
**Called out to Fully Live**

**Write down or draw what you are  
giving up this week!**

**Whoever wants to save their  
life will lose it. But whoever  
loses their life for me and for  
the good news will save it.**

**Mark 8:35**

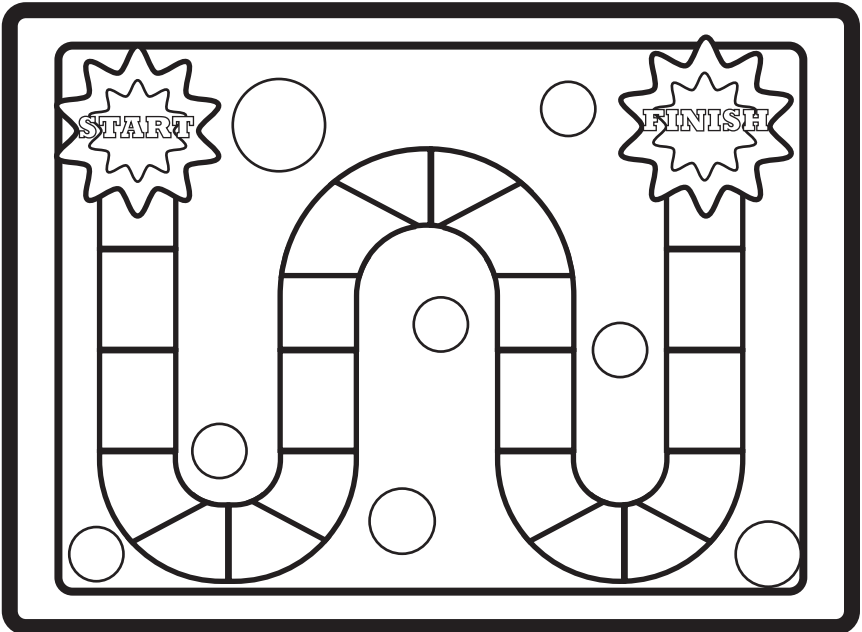
**Color the memory verse above.  
Watch the video from the link below!**



*When you come back to Journey Kids and have this  
verse memorized, we will have something special  
for you!*

A very popular board game is called “The Game of Life.” It’s played very much like real life! Everyone chooses the path they go on: go to school, get a job, etc. Just like in real life, we have many choices to make. In our memory verse, Jesus was teaching about life. Everything Jesus did was for others. If we follow His example, He promised that we will be winners in life. But winning doesn’t mean having more stuff or a lot of money, it means loving others and putting others first!

## Create your own board game!



**Whoever wants to save their life will lose it.  
But whoever loses their life for me and the  
good news will save it. Mark 8:35**

**Find the words in the search below!**

LIFE    SAVE    LOSE    GOOD    NEWS

S E K L U B G Q R  
P A A O C I K Z V  
R P V S L S Y C Y  
V A E E T W M R X  
Z D B S B J Y C I  
H J O X X J A S S  
L I F E G D W H I  
B X D O X Q Q O Y  
C W O S W E N E P  
S D Y B K V T O W

# As a Family

- 1.** Play a board game together or the board game from this week's activity. Ask while playing: What are 1-2 choices you made today that influenced your day or someone else?
- 2.** What's one choice you can make this week that will show love to someone else or put someone else first?
- 3.** This week's verse is a good reminder that learning the answer to the question, "Who is Jesus?" is important and takes time. What are some ways we can learn more about who Jesus is?
- 4.** Practice saying the memory verse together.
- 5.** Pray together.

*Dear God, we want to follow the example that Jesus set. We want to give up our selfish ways and give our lives in love and service to others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*



# **WEEK SIX**

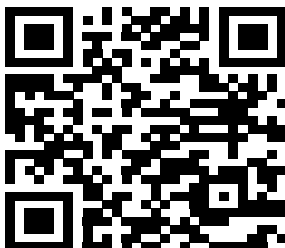
**Called out to Eternal Hope**

**Write down or draw what you are  
giving up this week!**

**I push myself forward to the goal to win the prize. God has appointed to win it. The heavenly prize is Christ Jesus himself.**

## **Philippians 3:14**

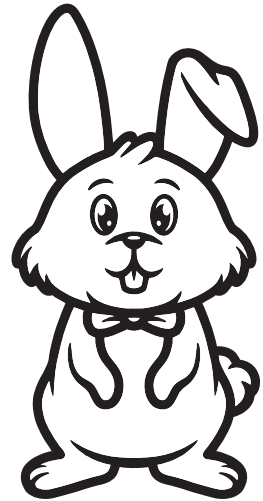
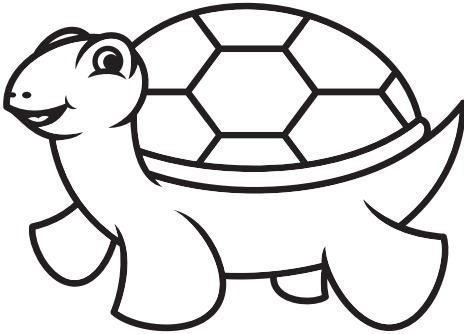
**Color the memory verse above.  
Watch the video from the link below!**



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Have you ever read or heard the story of the “Tortoise and the Hare”? In the story, the tortoise and the hare are competing in a race.

The hare is confident that it’s going to win because it’s much faster than the tortoise. Halfway through the race, the hare stops to take a nap. The tortoise keeps going even though it’s far behind and ends up winning the race. Like the story, we need to keep our eyes on the goal, which is Jesus. We have to be steady in our relationship with Jesus!



**Draw or write down something you are really good at or something you love doing.**

When you first started, it was hard and you didn't know a lot about it, right? But as time went on and you put time and work into it, you got better and understood it more. Like our relationship with God, we need to get to know him better by praying and reading our Bible and doing what God wants us to do!

# As a Family

1. Read the Easter Story together as a family, go to Mark 15:21-16:8 in your Bible. Check it out in the New International Readers Version.
2. Jesus dying on the cross for our sins so we could be forgiven is backwards. As a family, do something backwards (examples—wear your clothes backwards, have breakfast for dinner, sit at a different spot at the table).
3. Tell the Easter story in your own words.
4. Practice saying the memory verse together.
5. Pray together.

*Dear God, thank you for loving us so much and sending us Jesus to be our Savior. Thank you that Jesus is alive! Help us share the good news that Jesus is alive with friends and family. We love you. Amen.*





