

I WONDER

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Bible Readings

Take a few minutes to read the Bible verses listed and ask the Holy Spirit to lead you in how this verse applies to you this week.

Luke 5:1-11

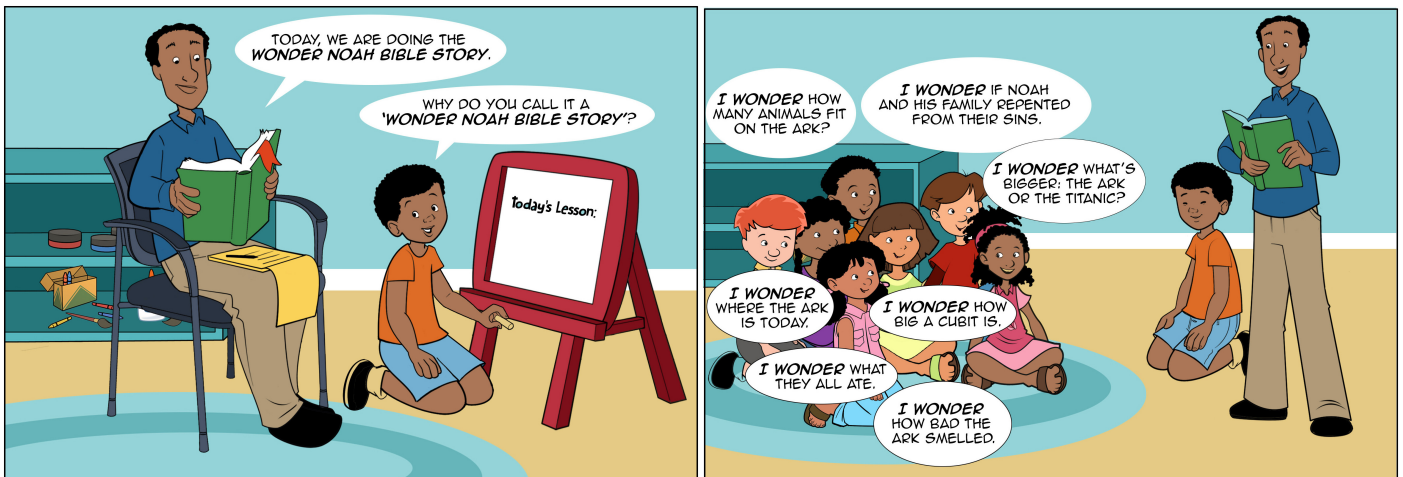
Memory Verse

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Psalm 19:1



CASEY'S DAY

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When you're interested in something, do you daydream about it? Maybe you imagine you're seeing elephants splash in the water or that you're running a sprint in the Olympic Games. When you daydream, your mind fills with *wonder*. Wonder is the excitement we feel. But we can also continue to *wonder* by stretching our minds to learn about new things! We can wonder by listening to others and soaking up as much information as possible. We can ask people questions about their lives and experiences and be interested in what they say.

Jesus' friends were filled with wonder when they witnessed his miracles and teachings. When he told stories, he painted a picture in their imaginations of a better world where there would be no more pain or sadness, a world where people with their whole hearts would love God and love their neighbors. When his friends listened to Jesus speak, they listened carefully to every word. Maybe they closed their eyes and pictured the stories of the shepherd looking for his lost sheep and the tall plants that grew when the farmer planted his seeds on good soil.

Next time you read or listen to a Bible story, try hearing it with wonder. Explore and research what the mountains and seas in Israel look like. Put yourselves in the shoes of Jesus' friends. Imagine how they felt when they first met Jesus and how fast their hearts beat when they saw Jesus do miracles right before their eyes. When you are interested in the Bible and see it with wonder, you'll find yourself filled with a wonderful excitement to learn more and more!

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for my sense of wonder. I'm excited to learn more about you by listening to the Bible and asking questions. Help me to listen to others and learn more about your world. In Jesus' name, I pray, Amen.

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