

AN INTERGENERATIONAL RESOURCE



A LENT CORNER

6 symbols corresponding to the 6 weeks of Lent, which is the time leading up to Easter. Use this on your own or with your household.

Find a space that can be your 'Lent corner', to leave set up for the whole 6 weeks, adding to it each week.

WEEK 1 - SAND

POUR SAND ON TO A PLATE, OR USE YELLOW PAPER OR MATERIAL

Between his baptism and the beginning of his adult ministry, Jesus went into the wilderness for 40 days 'to be tested'. The desert is a dangerous place and Jesus was hungry, cold, and tired. He was also tempted but he didn't give up.

When things get tough, how do we remember God is there for us? What constitutes wilderness in your life? What have you learned there?

READ THE STORY OF JESUS WANDERING IN THE DESERT MATTHEW 4, MARK 1, OR LUKE 4.

WEEK 2 - STONE

ADD A STONE TO YOUR CORNER

While in the wilderness, Jesus was tempted by the devil to transform stone into bread. Although He could have, He didn't change the rock into food, but later Jesus did become known for feeding the hungry.

We are tempted to do things we know we don't need to do, things that might upset and hurt people. What can we do to help ourselves when we are tempted?

READ THE STORY OF ZACCHAEUS. (LUKE 19) JESUS TRANSFORMS ZACCHAEUS, & CAN TRANSFORM US AND HELP US MAKE BETTER CHOICES.

WEEK 3 - HUMAN FIGURE

ADD A LITTLE FIGURE

Because Jesus was fully human as well as fully God, understands what it's like to be human. He knows we are each capable of great things. So, no matter what we do, he keeps on inviting us to join in with what He is doing here on earth. Jesus knows that we can do good things, just like he did

What can we do to be more like Jesus at home, out and about, everywhere?

READ THE STORY OF JESUS WASHING THE DISCIPLES' FEET. (JOHN 13) HOW CAN WE LIVE LIKE JESUS?

WEEK 4 - CANDLE

ADD A CANDLE *Never leave a lit candle unattended *

Winter can be cold and dark. Spring is a time where we think of sunshine and flowers blooming. Jesus called himself the Light of the World. Jesus told his disciples to be a light in the world too and make a difference.

Where do you shine? What do you think you are good at? What is your talent? How can you encourage someone to see the good in themselves?

READ MATTHEW 5:14 -16. HOW DO YOU LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE?

WEEK 5 - HEARTS

PUT 2 HEARTS IN THE SAND

The Bible has a lot to say about love. It tells us that God loves us and that he wants us to love him. Jesus came to earth to show each one of us just how much He loves us. Jesus came so that even when we make mistakes, He can save us. It's such an amazing way to show just how much he loves us.

READ MARK 12:28 -31. HOW CAN YOU LOVE THOSE AROUND YOU?

WEEK 6 - CROSS

MAKE A CROSS & PUT IT IN THE SAND

Jesus' enemies wanted him out of the way. When he was praying with his friends, they came and had him arrested. They told lies, and Jesus was put to death on the cross. His friends were very sad. They didn't know what was happening.

READ LUKE 23:38 – 49. WHAT WOULD IT HAVE BEEN LIKE TO BE THERE AND TO HAVE SEEN ALL THOSE THINGS?



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