

# Kids MOVEMENT»

## Parent Newsletter

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### *The Best is Yet to Come*

#### **Series Overview**

In our ‘The Best is Yet to Come’ series, children will discover that because Jesus is alive forever, our story doesn’t end here! They will learn that Jesus defeated death, promises to return for His people, and is preparing a perfect forever home for everyone who believes in Him. Because we love Jesus and look forward to His return, our love for Him changes how we live while we wait. We choose to follow Him, love others, and serve Him faithfully as we wait for the day He comes back. Children will be encouraged that everything we do for Him matters. Heaven will be better than anything we can imagine because Jesus will be there—our future is full of hope!

#### **Series Memory Verse**

Titus 2:13, NLT – We look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed.

### *We Can Be Ready*

#### **Today’s Lesson Overview**

This week, children learned that we can be ready for Jesus’ return, even though we don’t know exactly when it will happen. They learned that being ready doesn’t mean being perfect—we all make mistakes, and Jesus offers us forgiveness and grace. Instead, being ready means keeping our hearts focused on Jesus and choosing to follow His ways. Through Matthew 24:36–44 and a fun “Ready or Not” activity, children discovered what it looks like to follow Jesus in everyday situations, and they learned that we can live each day with excitement and hope as we wait for Him. We don’t need to be afraid or try to figure out when Jesus will return; we simply need to keep watch and be ready!

#### **Foundational Verse:**

Matthew 24:42 NLT – So you, too, must keep watch! For you don’t know what day your Lord is coming.

# *From Sunday to Everyday*

## **Keep the Conversation Going at Home**

Our heart is to partner with you in nurturing your child's faith. We believe discipleship begins in the home, and when families talk about God together and involve Him in daily life, it makes a lasting impact. These simple ideas can help you keep the conversation going throughout the week:

- **Ready Hearts:** Remind your child that being ready for Jesus isn't about being perfect. Talk about how loving Jesus, following His ways, and asking for forgiveness when we mess up helps us keep our hearts ready for Him.
- **Look for Ready Moments:** Look for moments when your child makes a choice that reflects Jesus—telling the truth, helping someone, obeying, or showing kindness. Celebrate those moments and remind them that these are ways we can live for Jesus every day.
- **Keep Watch:** Take a few moments each day to pause and remember Jesus' promise to return. Thank Him for loving you, and ask Him to help your family follow Him and live for Him while you wait.
- **Discuss as a Family:** Use simple, ongoing conversations to help your child remember and apply what they learned. This can be easily incorporated in your day-to-day routine. Try asking these questions during dinner, in the car, or right before bed:
  - “Why do you think Jesus wants us to keep watch and be ready?”
  - “What are some ways we can show that we love Jesus and are following Him?”
  - “Do we know exactly when Jesus will return?”
  - “Do we have to be perfect to be ready for Jesus? Why not?”