



FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE



Remember this: One day God will remove sin, sadness and death and make all things new.

Read this: Revelation 21:1–5; 22:1–5

Say this: This passage of Scripture comes at the end of the Bible and it is so full of beautiful hope. Now, you may be asking, “But last week, we talked about how Jesus overcame sin and death. If that’s true, then why are there so many things sad around us? Why do pets die and friends move away? Why do wars happen and moms and dads get divorced? If Jesus is alive, why is there still so much sadness?”

The answer is that sin has been defeated but not finally and fully destroyed. Jesus’ death on the cross dealt with the penalty of sin but we still live in a beautiful broken world because Jesus has not fully dealt with the pain of sin.

When Adam and Eve sinned they introduced sorrow, sadness and loss into our world. They were living in a world where there was no pain because of sin. But then sin changed all that. And it’s been like that ever since. We can even look back at church history to see this. For a long time, when situations would happen that would cause God’s people to feel the weight and sorrow caused by the sinful actions of fallen man or by fallen nature, they would say “Maranatha.” This is a big word that means “come quickly Jesus.”

Our passage is an answer to that cry that comes from a broken heart. God gives us this promise based on all the promises that have come before. Jesus will return and “He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

No more tears, no more pain, no more sadness. Because why? It says in the next verse. Because Jesus is coming back to make all things new, to recreate our world in some miraculous way where it stays the beautiful creation that He made in the beginning, but is remade into what it was always meant to be.

God is going to remake our world free of sin. What a day that will be.

Maranatha.

Pray this: Jesus come quickly. Our world is broken by sin. We need you more than ever. Thank you for saving us from the power of sin. We ask you to help us work to bring the hope of your Gospel to the world that needs it so much. Thank you for your promise that keeps us on difficult and sad days. Help us to trust you more and more. Our prayer today is this. Come quickly Jesus.

Sing this: “Soon and Very Soon”



MEMORY VERSE

Revelation 21:4–5 : He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away. And he who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.”

Week 8

RESTORATION: JESUS IS ALIVE



MAKE A SONG



Song Reinforcement | Make it stick and give it away

1. Sock puppet performance.

Dig out some old socks and draw faces on them with markers. Name your puppets. Now let them perform the song. The rule: your puppets don't get to check a phone. They have to know it. If they don't, they'll have to improvise, which is also fine and probably funnier.

2. Send the video to someone who needs to hear this.

Film your puppet performance and send it to one specific person. This verse is a promise for people who are hurting. Think of one person in your life who might need to hear it right now. Tell them why you picked them.

Bonus Summer Activity:

Make Your Own Instruments

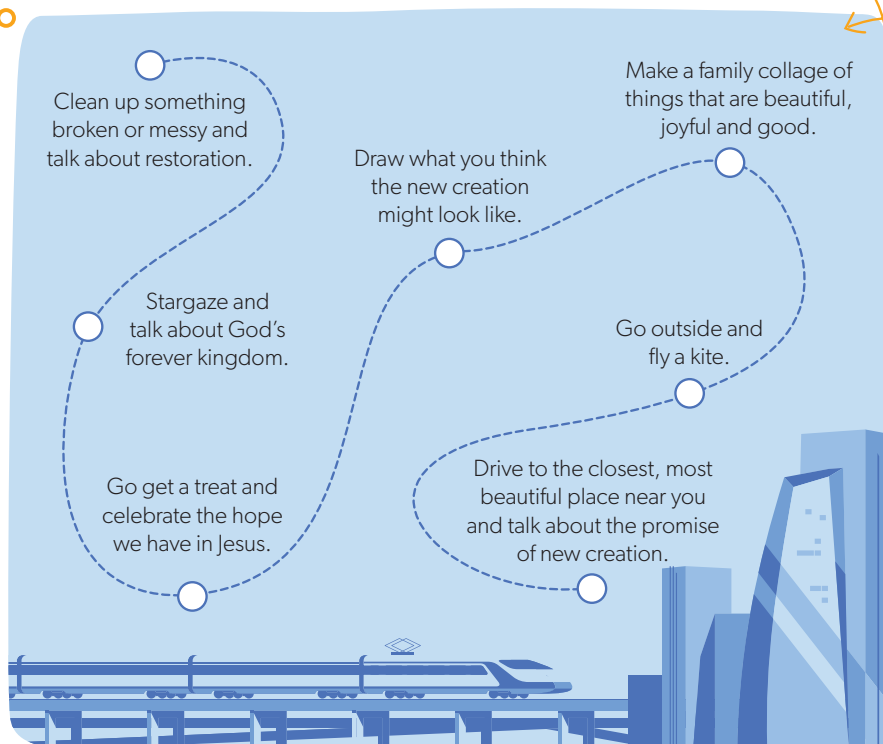
Do this any week you want a craft activity alongside the music. All you need is stuff from around the house.

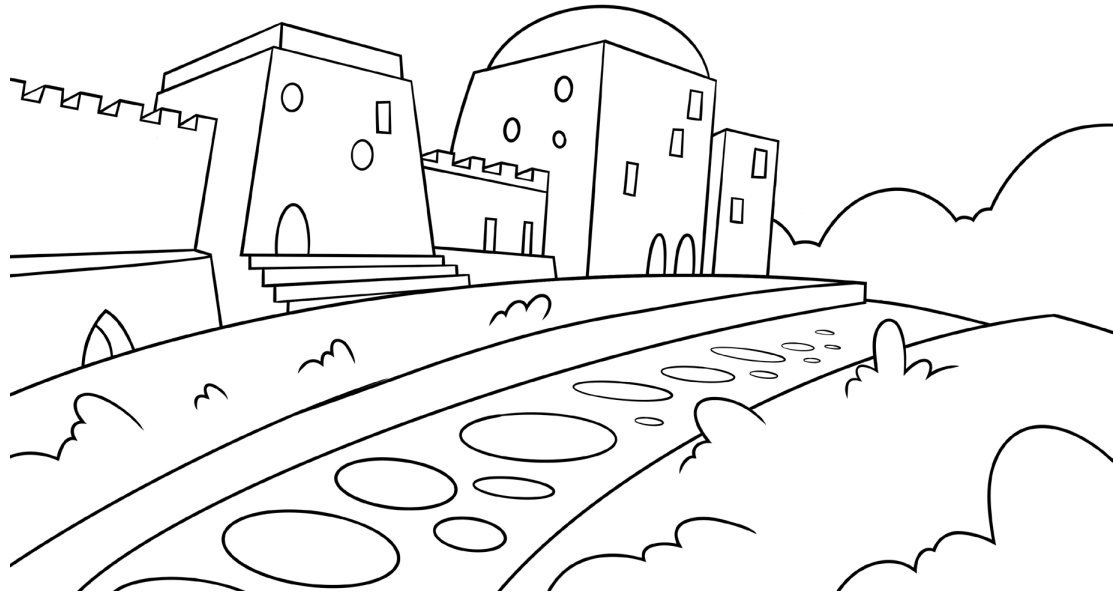
- **Shaker:** Pour dried rice or beans into an empty water bottle or plastic container. Seal it tight.
- **Drum:** Flip over a pot, tupperware container or an empty oatmeal canister. Use a wooden spoon.
- **Tambourine:** Staple or tape two paper plates together with a handful of dried beans or pennies inside.
- **Rubber band guitar:** Stretch rubber bands of different thicknesses across an open shoebox or tissue box. Pluck away.

Once everyone has an instrument, perform whichever song your family knows best. Or all of them.



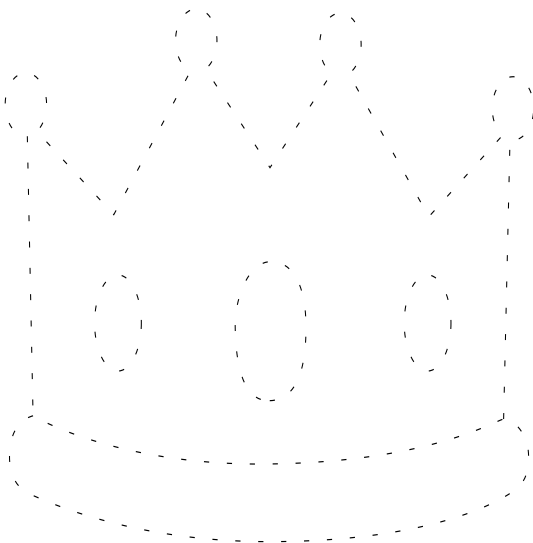
SUMMER CHALLENGE





COLOR THE PICTURE

TRACE THIS!



OBSTRUCTION

- Find a partner. One will be "x" and one will be "o".
- Write your shape in a square. Shade in all the squares around it.
- The next player will write their shape in a square and shade the squares around it.
- The first player who can't make a move loses!

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