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BASIC TRUTH

JESUS WANTS TO BE MY FRIEND FOREVER.

KEY QUESTION

WHO IS THE BEST?

BOTTOM LINE

JESUS IS THE BEST!

STORY SUMMARY

JESUS HAS THE LAST SUPPER WITH THE DISCIPLES. THEN, HE GOES AWAY. THREE DAYS LATER, JESUS COMES BACK, JUST LIKE HE PROMISED! JESUS IS ALIVE! MATTHEW 26:20-30; 27:40-50; 28:1-7

PARENT TIME



"J-E-S-U-S! We love Jesus. He's the best!" That's what your child will be hearing this month. Jesus is the BEST. He is. Thousands of years ago, Jesus died for each and every one of us. That means He died for you, too. In the midst of all the fun that revolves around Easter, try to take some time to read the Easter story. I'm not

talking about the board book version you read to your child (although that is a good one). I mean opening your Bible to Matthew 26 and reading through Matthew 28. Dive into the Word and read about how much Jesus loves you.

Jesus loves you, He died for you, He came back just like He said He would, AND He wants to be your friend forever. He wants to be your friend and your child's friend. That's what we're celebrating this month. That's why we'll be chanting all month long: "J-E-S-U-S! We love Jesus. He's the best!"

The community at **TheParentCue.org** was created to help parents do family better. With blog discussions, podcasts, advice, and inspiration, Parent Cue prompts us to intentionally connect with our families regularly. Since none of us need more to do in our day, Parent Cue helps us capture the time we're already spending together.

There's an app for that:

Parent Cue App – centered around a monthly topic, this app sends weekly CUEs that remind us to connect with our kids whether at home or on the go. You can even watch Bible story videos during drive time using the app.







MORNING TIME

This month let your child wake up to, "Jesus is alive and He's our friend forever! Yay, Jesus!"



CAR TIME

Tell your child to count the people he sees out the window as you drive. Lead him in saying, "One, two, God

loves you!" each time he sees two people. It's a fun way to remember that God loves the world.



BATH TIME

Cut a heart shape out of a new pink kitchen sponge and add it to bath time this week. Tell your child that

a heart reminds us of love. When Jesus died and went away (cover the heart sponge up with a wash cloth) everyone was very sad. But then Jesus came back (uncover the sponge) just like He promised! Jesus went away (cover sponge) and then He came back (uncover sponge)! (Repeat several times.)



CUDDLE TIME

Cuddle up with your child and pray, "Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You gave us Jesus to be

our friend forever. Thank You that He came back, just like He promised. Jesus is the best, and so are You, God! I pray [child's name] will grow up loving You with all of his heart and believing that Jesus is alive. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."



PLAY TIME

Encourage your child to gather some toy friends, play dishes, and food. Paper dessert plates, plastic

utensils, and empty food boxes are great for play. Play with your child as you cook and serve a meal to all of his toy friends. Talk about how Jesus had a special meal with His friends before He went far away.