

> Sample from Book 4

**Day 28) Jesus is recognised**

Read: Luke 24 verses 28 - 35

After spending hours on the jigsaw puzzle, the whole picture comes together. Just one last piece to add and then - hooray! - the puzzle is complete.



Cleopas and his friend were soon to see the last piece of their puzzle in place. They had enjoyed the company of their new friend on the long walk to Emmaus. They had started out being sad and arrived happy. They believed that all the promises in the Old Testament had come true. Jesus was the Saviour. Now He was alive again. All the pieces of the puzzle were beginning to fit together.

Now these friends invited Jesus to stay with them. Before they began eating the meal, an extraordinary thing happened. As Jesus broke the bread and gave thanks to God for the food, they recognised Him. Cleopas and his friend had probably seen Jesus do this many times before but now maybe they saw the nail marks in His hands. Then, Jesus disappeared out of their sight.

How excited the friends were! They quickly returned to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples that they had seen Jesus. The final piece of the puzzle was in place - Jesus had risen from the dead.

**Key verse**

Then their eyes were opened and they knew Jesus... v31

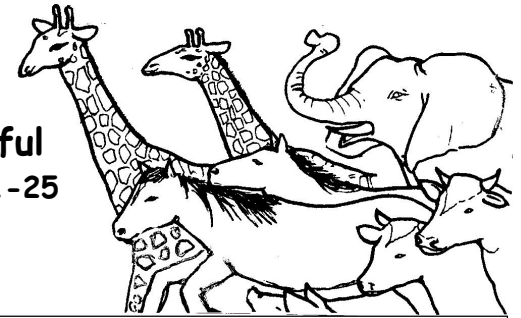
**Think and pray about**

- Think how Jesus had a new body that could appear and disappear.
- Pray you will believe that Jesus rose again from the dead.

> Sample from Book 1

**Day 3) God is great and powerful**

Read: Genesis 1 verse 1-25



Some scientists believe that the world started with a big bang and that over millions of years, life evolved into fish, reptiles, animals and then humans. But they have no idea how the universe or life began. However, the Bible makes it quite clear that God made the world and that He made it all in six days.

In the first chapter of the Bible, you can see what God made on each day of the week. 1st day: light, 2nd day: sky and air, 3rd day: land and plants, 4th day: sun, moon and stars, 5th day: fish and birds, 6th day: all the other animals and the first humans.

When we see the wonderful things in creation, it shows us how great and powerful God must be. He had only to say the word and it came into existence! Imagine how amazing God must be to design and make everything so perfectly. On the seventh day, God rested from His work.

If God is so great and powerful, we should want to learn more about Him. We can read His book, the Bible. It tells us many wonderful stories about God's great power.

**Key verse**

God said, "Let there be light" ..... v3

**Think and pray about**

- Think how great God must be to make everything in six days.
- Thank God for all you can see and enjoy around you.

> Sample from Book 2

## Day 25) The Good House

Read: Luke 6 v 46-49



On the T.V. news, we watched as a house in a flooded area fell into the water. The house was built on a river bank and had poor foundations (the part under the earth). Today, when a new house is built it has proper foundations made with concrete, which is as hard as rock.

In Jesus's day men had to dig out the foundations using a spade. Jesus tells a story about two men who each built themselves a house. Mr Wise Man dug deep and built on the rock but Mr Foolish Man built his house on the sand.

There was a stream near to where the houses were built. One day, gale force winds blew against the houses and the water in the stream rose until the stream burst its banks. Mr Wise Man's house stood firm on the rock. Mr Foolish Man's house fell because the sand foundations washed away and the walls collapsed.

Jesus said this story is a picture of what people do when they hear His words. A wise person not only hears what Jesus says: he does what Jesus says. A foolish person hears, but does nothing about it.

Difficulties, like storms in the story, come into everyone's life. If we have built our life on the Lord Jesus, we shall be kept safe.

### Key verse

Jesus said "Whoever ... hears My sayings and does them ... is like a man building a house ...on the rock". V47-48

### Think and pray about

- Think about how foolish it is not to obey the God who made us.
- Ask God to help you to put Jesus at the centre of your life.

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> Sample from Book 3

## Day 1) Jacob and Esau

Read: Genesis 25 v 24-28



Some twins are identical and may look almost exactly alike. Other twins can be completely different.

Esau and Jacob were totally different. Even when the twins were born they did not look alike. Esau had a rough hairy skin but Jacob's was soft and smooth.

Not only did the twins look different but as they grew up, their interests were different. Esau liked to be out and about. As he grew older, he became a hunter of wild animals. Jacob was a 'home lover'. He preferred to stay around the tents where they lived. He probably looked after animals in pens close by.

However, there was an even more important difference between the lads - what they were like inside. Esau did not care about God, but Jacob wanted to love God. Abraham, their grandfather was alive until the boys were 15 years old. He and their father Isaac would have told them about the true God. The lads would have heard about the promises that God had made to this special family. Esau did not care about them but Jacob wanted God's blessing.

God knows every person in the whole world and what they are like in their hearts.

### Key verse

v.24) ...there were twins in Rebekah's womb.

### Think and pray about

- God sees and knows every single person.
- Pray that you would want God's blessing on your life.

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