

# KIDTOWN GUIDE

3K - 4K

DATE: 9/27/20

SCRIPTURE: John 11

LESSON: Jesus Raised Lazarus



## INTRO

**Parents say to your kid(s)** - Today we are going to learn about an incredible story where Jesus performs one of his most amazing miracles. In this miracle we will see how truly powerful He is! Can you guess what Jesus is going to do?

**Good Friends** - Have kids sit in a circle. Select a kid to start by saying one thing about themselves that they believe makes them a good friend. Go around the circle, allowing each kid to share something about himself that makes them a good friend. End the game by asking the kids what about Jesus makes Him a good friend.

**Parents say** - Jesus is the best friend we could ever have. Today, we will hear a story about a time when one of Jesus' friends got sick and the friend's sisters asked Jesus to come heal him. We'll learn more soon in our Bible Story!



## LESSON - JESUS RAISED LAZARUS

Watch the Bible story video: [Jesus Raised Lazarus](#)

**Story Point! (Kids repeat!)**

**Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead! (Kids repeat!)**

Lazarus had been sick and eventually died. Everyone, including Mary and Martha were so sad when Lazarus died. Mary knew Jesus had the power to heal Lazarus from his sickness, but was sad that He didn't make it in time to see him before He died. Jesus had a greater plan - and told his disciples even when Lazarus was sick that He was going to use His sickness to show how great He truly was. Jesus' miracles always had a purpose! When Jesus got to Lazarus' tomb, He shouted: "Lazarus, come out!" And that's just what Lazarus did! Can you imagine how crazy that would have been to see him come to life?!

**Christ Connection! (Kids Repeat!)**

**Jesus has power over death! (Kids Repeat!)**

Jesus had the power to bring Lazarus back to life after he had died! This same power raised Jesus from the dead after He died on the cross for our sins. When Jesus rose from the dead, He showed us that even death can hold Him down! Nothing is impossible for Jesus, even death. Even things that may seem really hard for you right now, Jesus is working in them and is more powerful than anything in the world, even death!

## RESPONSE



**Sing:** [Colossians 1:13-14](#) (Key Passage Song)  
[Good Good Father](#)

**Discuss:**

- What happened to Lazarus? (He was sick and died)
- What did Jesus say about Lazarus' sickness? (He said He would use it to show how great He is!)
- What did Jesus say to Lazarus in the tomb? (Lazarus, come out!)

*If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at [hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com](mailto:hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com).*

**Key Passage:** "God made us free from the power of darkness, and he brought us into the kingdom of his great Son." - Colossians 1:13

**Pray** - When Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, He showed that He has power over sickness and death. **Lead prayer for people who are sick in your groups or families.** Then allow each child to share a prayer request. Invite the child who shared or another child to pray about the request.

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## BONUS ACTIVITIES



**Coloring Sheet** - [Printable Coloring Sheet](#)

**Call By Name** - Drape a blanket over a table to create a "tomb." Invite one child to look away while you quietly invite another child to hide in the tomb. Explain that the first child may turn around when you say, "[Child's name], if only you had been here!" They will then guess who is in the tomb by shouting, "[Second child's name], come out!" If his name is called, he will come out, and new children may play each role.

**Parents say** - Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead simply by calling for him! Jesus showed that He has power over death. Jesus Himself rose from the dead after dying on the cross for our sins. People who believe in Him may die, but God will call them by name to rise again and live forever with Him!