

PARENT GUIDE-WEEK 1

SENO ME ON MY WAY-JESUS' FINAL ORDERS TO HIS DISCIPLES/ASCENSION)

MATTHEW 28:16-20

LUKE 24:50-59

ACTS 1:1-11

CRAFT ACTIVITY: TAPE IT UP!

What You Need: Tray, glitter or confetti, clear tape, clear packing tape, scissors

What To Do:

- Pour some glitter or confetti into the tray.
- With a few strips of clear tape, press the tape to the glitter, sticky side down.
- Challenge your child to pick up ALL of the glitter or confetti.

What To Say: "We did a pretty good job of getting all that glitter off the tray! That may have felt almost impossible when we started, but we just kept picking it up with tape, bit by bit.

QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS:

What other things feel impossible for you? (invite kids to answer: keeping my room clean, getting better at sports, doing my homework, etc)

Can you think of a time when you thought, "I could never do that?" What happened? Were you able to do what you thought you couldn't do?

What To Say: When you need to keep going, even when it seems impossible, look at your bookmark and think about picking up all that glitter! You can show determination in those big jobs too!

PRAYER ACTIVITY:

What To Do:

- Gather in an area and throw a balloon above your head.
- Challenge your child to "bop" the balloon so it doesn't touch the ground.
- Each time someone "bops" the balloon to keep it afloat, they must say one word from the bottom line: "Keep going even when it seems impossible"
- See how many times you can say the bottom line before the balloon hits the floor.
- Hold your balloon and close in prayer.

What To Say: "Dear God, thank You for caring about everyone on Earth so much that You planned for all of us to hear the good news. Please help us to share the good news with our family and friends in everyday life in how we follow Jesus. Help us to remember to *keep going even when it seems impossible*, Amen.