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THIS SUNDAY

28th September 2025

BIBLE FOCUS

Revelation 21:1-5

THEME

New Creation and Our Future



HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

RUNSHEET

This resource has been written and produced by St Bart's Kids and we're delighted to be able to share this curriculum with you. We pray that it would be an amazing tool to aid teaching and learning occurring either at home or within your children's ministry setting.

This package is part of a mini series based on Creation Care. The items within this package all pertain to **one session.**

The tabs on this document will help guide the main sections that should be incorporated within a session. Within each section you will find modifications for different age/learning levels - look for the tags Early Childhood, Lower Primary, Middle Primary, and Upper Primary.

All of the items within
If you have any questions or would like
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TIMING

Welcome and play 15mins

Teaching Time (includes morning tea for Early Childhood) 15mins

Game (Kindy - Year 6 only) 10mins

Small Groups/Activities 20mins

Worship 10mins

Check-out

MATERIALS

Building Blocks - Wooden
Blocks, Mega Blocks, Q-Blocks
or Duplo

☐ Printout Worksheet #1

Crayons / Coloured Pencils

☐ Mr Potato Head sets☐ Puzzle set "How am I Feeling?"

☐ Printout of Worksheet #4

☐ Printout of Worksheet #2☐ Scissors

☐ 2 Dice

☐ Printout Worksheet #3

Revelation Bingo game boards

(1 of each)

Printout of Bingo calling cards
Markers/counters (enough for

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Mini Whiteboards (1 per

partner)
Whiteboard markers and cloths

Paddlepop sticks (or similar firm, non-marking object)

Paper

Pastels

☐ Lead Pencils

Clipboards

Jigsaw puzzles (1 per team)

ADDITIONAL INFO

This resource is the second in a three week series based on Creation Care



SESSION OUTLINE

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SERIES OVERVIEW

Creation Care

The Scriptures—and especially the Psalms—repeatedly and emphatically declare the wonders and beauty of God's creation. The Earth is the Lord's! (Psalm 24) The heavens declare the glory of God! (Psalm 19) How many are your works, Lord! (Psalm 104) Creating humankind in his image, God entrusted us to wisely steward his rule, yet our relationship with God's world is distorted and damaged. This three-part series will explore the goodness of God's creation and our rule, the problem and impact of sin, and how we are to live in anticipation of New Creation.

MULTIMEDIA

- 1. SBK Kids Talk
- 2. God's Story: Re-creation

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Here are some resources we recommend for helping teach the Gospel to kids.

- God's Very Colourful Creation by Tim Thornborough and Jennifer Davison
- 2. <u>Creation (Big Theology for Little Hearts Series) by Devon and</u>
 Jessica Provencher

SONGS

EARLY CHILDHOOD

- 1. Peace Joy Love (VBS Jungle Journey)
- 2. Everyone Praise the Lord (Early Childhood)
- 3. Celebrate (LifeKids)

SONGS

PRIMARY

- 1. Peace Joy Love (VBS Jungle Journey)
- 2. <u>Praise (Elevation Worship)</u>
- 3. <u>Million Reasons</u>



ALL-IN TEACHING

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WARM-UPS

- ☐ What is something you really look forward to?
- ☐ When you are sad how do you start to feel happy again?

TEACHING TIME

New Creation and Our Future

God created a perfect world that He wanted us to enjoy and love. But not long after He created our perfect world, people turned away from Him and let sin come into our perfect world. Because there is sin in the world bad things happen - even to really good people. This isn't the way God wanted it to be.

But God has a plan to make everything perfect again. In Revelation 21. God gives us a picture of the future. John, who followed Jesus, saw a vision of what's coming. He saw a brand-new heaven and a brand-new earth. Everything will be made new and perfect. God himself will live with his people. There will be no more crying, no more pain, no more sadness, and no more death.

But how can we be sure this will happen? Because of Jesus, Jesus came into our broken world, died on the cross to take away our sin, and then rose again to life. His resurrection shows us that death has been defeated, and it gives us hope for the future.

One day, when Jesus comes back, he will make everything new, not just us, but the whole world!

This means that even when life feels hard, we can have hope. When we're sad, sick, or lonely, we can remember that God promises something better is coming. And while we wait, we can live as God's children now. We can show love and kindness, we can care for the world, and we can remind each other of the great hope we have.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Early Childhood

How can we care for the world?

2. Lower Primary

What can we do while we wait for the new creation?

3. Middle Primary

What do you look forward to in the new creation?

4. Upper Primary

How can we tell others about our hope for the future?

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I saw a new heaven and a new earth.



The first heaven and the first earth were completely gone.



I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem. It was coming down out of heaven from God.



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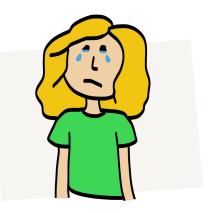
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A loud voice said, "Look! God now makes his home with the people.



They will be his people. God will be with them and be their God.



God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.





Early Childhood

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There will be no more death, sadness, crying or pain in God's new creation."



God said, "I am making everything new!"





Ch 21 vs1 I saw "a new heaven and a new earth." The first heaven and the first earth were completely gone.



2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem. It was coming down out of heaven from God. It was like a beautiful bride.







BIBLE READING



3 I heard a loud voice from the throne. It said, "Look! God now makes his home with the people. He will live with them. They will be his people. God will be with them and be their God.



4 God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death, sadness, crying or pain in God's new creation."



Lower Primary



5 God said, "I am making everything new!" "These words are true."



Ch21 vs1 I saw "a new heaven and a new earth." The first heaven and the first earth were completely gone. There was no longer any sea.

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Middle Primary

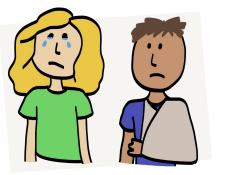
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He will live with them. They will be his people. And God himself will be with them and be their God.



4 'He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death.'



And there will be no more sadness. There will be no more crying or pain. Things are no longer the way they used to be."



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5 He who was sitting on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down. You can trust these words. They are true."



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Early Childhood

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Dear God.

THANK YOU that one day you will make everything new. No more crying, no more sadness, and no more hurting.
PLEASE HELP US to trust you and

remember your love every day.

Amen.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

View SBK ebook: New Creation and Our Future (Revelation 21:1-5)

- 1. What do you think heaven is like?
- 2. In this Bible story, God gives John a dream to show him what the new heaven and earth will be like. What's going to be so exciting in the new creation? God will be living with us forever. Nothing bad will happen... we won't be sick or sad.
- 3. What should we be doing while we wait for the new creation?

We can be telling people about what they can look forward to in the new creation.

We can be caring for creation right now.

Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband."

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Lower Primary

SMALL GROUPS

PRAYER

Dear God.

Thank you that you promise to make everything new. Thank you that because of Jesus we can look forward to living with you forever in a world with no pain, no sadness, and no death. Please help us to remember this when life feels hard, and to live now as people who love and follow you. Amen.

Read Revelation 21:1-5 (from SBK Lower Primary Scripture)

1. In your own words describe what John saw in his vision of the new creation. (vs 1-2)

He saw a new heaven and a new earth. He saw that the old earth had completely gone. He saw a perfect city coming down from the sky (heaven). It was beautifully decorated - like a bride on her wedding day.

2. What did he hear? (v3)

He heard a loud voice from the throne.

3. What did the voice say? (v4)

It said that God would come to live with the people to be their God. There will be no more death or sadness.

4. Do you think we can believe that this will happen? Why? (v5)

God said that it is true - He is going to make everything new.

5. What do you think the new creation might be like? It will be perfect - no one will be sad or have to die and everything will be beautiful and perfect. Everyone will be kind to each other and be always happy.

What should we be doing while we wait for the new creation?

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Middle Primary

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Revelation 21:1-5 (from SBK Middle Primary Scripture)

 In your own words describe what John saw in his vision of the new creation. (vs 1-2)

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4. What hope does verse 5 give us?

We know that we can trust God's promise and that everything will be made new again. So even though things on earth today are not perfect, they will be in the future.

5. What do you think the new creation will be like? What most excites you about the new creation? 6. What should we be doing while we wait for the new creation?

We can be telling people about our certain hope of the new creation

We can be caring for creation right now.

We can be living examples that encourage others to share our certain hope.

7. How can a certain hope in the new creation help you this week?

Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband."

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Upper Primary

PRAYER

Dear God.

Thank you that you promise to make everything new. Thank you that because of Jesus we can look forward to living with you forever in a world with no pain, no sadness, and no death. Please help us to remember this when life feels hard, and to live now as people who love and follow you.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Revelation 21:1-5 in the New Adventure Bible

 In your own words describe what John saw in his vision of the new creation. (vs 1-2)

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7. How could you explain Christians' certain hope to someone who doesn't yet know Jesus?

Encourage children to trust that the Holy Spirit will lead them and strengthen them to know what to say when the time is right.

Spend time praying together or silently.

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EARLY CHILDHOOD

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Amen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Amen.

TIPS

Head outdoors and take a walk through an area of nature, exploring and thanking God for all the wonderful things he has made and the detail he puts into each part.



PRAY

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Sunday School

Dear God,

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Amen.



WEEK

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One day, God will make everything new - with no more pain, sadness, or death. Jesus' resurrection gives us a hope for the future, where all things will be renewed when he returns.

In this section, you'll find activities for Early Childhood and Primary School aged kids. There's a range of crafts, activities and games suitable for both individuals and groups.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

- Building Blocks
- Colouring
- Mr Potato Head
- Puzzle: How am I feeling? (Kindy)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Add it Up (Prep)
- Revelation Bingo (Yrs 1-2)
- Blind Back Drawing (Yrs 3-4)
- Art with Pastels (Yrs 5-6)

GAMES

- Opposites (Kindy)
- Jigsaw Puzzle Relay (Yrs P-6)



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Building Blocks

YOU'LL NEED...

• Building Blocks - Wooden Blocks, Mega Blocks, Q-Blocks or Duplo

STEPS

- 1. Get the children to build their interpretation of God's Kingdom.
- 2. Alternatively they could try building a throne or a crown.





In Revelation 21, God shows us that he is making everything new and that he will live with his people forever. Jesus is the King, and in the new creation we will be with him in his perfect kingdom.



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Colouring

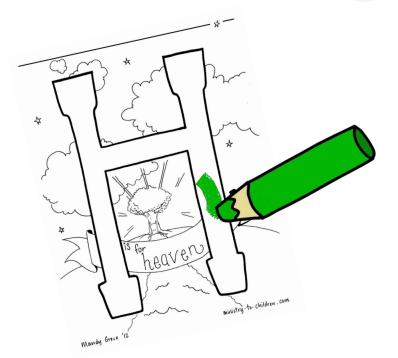
YOU'LL NEED...

- Printout Worksheet #1
- Crayons / Coloured Pencils

STEPS

- 1. Give each child a colouring in sheet.
- Encourage them to colour in the picture. Talking about what Heaven might be like.

Source: Sunday School Works





God's new creation will be even more beautiful than anything we can draw or imagine. Heaven isn't just a place far away, it's God's perfect new home for his people.

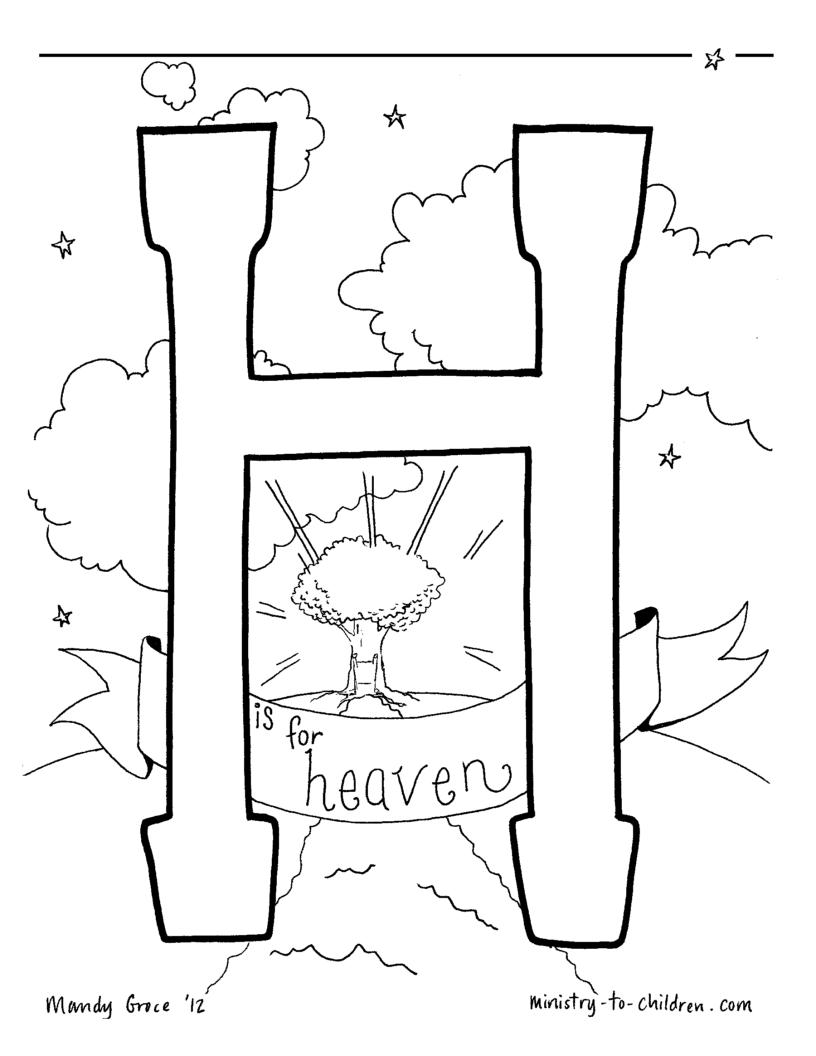


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The printable OPPOSITES cards can be found on the following pages.





Mr Potato Head

YOU'LL NEED...

• Mr Potato Head sets **Adult supervision required at all times for this activity

STEPS

- 1. Put out all of the Mr Potato Head bodies and the body parts and accessories on a table.
- 2. Invite them to create their own characters out of the body parts and accessories. See how different each of the characters looks. Some should look quite peculiar!
- 3. Encourage the children to make the potato heads have different emotions and talk to the children about how each one is feeling.









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Puzzle: How am I feeling?

YOU'LL NEED...

• Puzzle set "How am I Feeling?"

STEPS

- 1. Unbox the puzzle pieces from the set 'How Am I Feeling?' and mix them up on the floor.
- 2. Explain that there are three parts to each of the faces -a top, middle, and bottom. Have the children work together to put the correct faces together and read the word describing the feeling of the face shown.
- 3. Additional Challenge/Activity: one by one the children take turns to act out a feeling and the others guess what it is.







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Add it Up

YOU'LL NEED...

- Printout of Worksheet #2
- Scissors
- 2 Dice

- Preparation: Print the worksheet double sided so that the opposite items appear back to back once printed. The blue side lists things that will appear in new creation: the red side are things that are here now.
- 2. Cards are to be faced blue side down to start with, laid out flat.
- 3. Players in the team take turns to roll the dice. They must then look at the two numbers rolled and choose to either:
 - * add the two numbers together and flip over that numbered card * flip over the TWO cards matching what is shown on the dice (Note: the player must pass to the next player if the cards have already been turned over).
- 4. The players of each team will take turns rolling the dice and flipping over cards to reveal things that are promised in God's new creation (the blue side). The first team that turns over all their cards to the words written in blue marker wins the game.





God has promised that he will create new heavens and a new earth. There will be no more sickness, sadness, or death.





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4. Love







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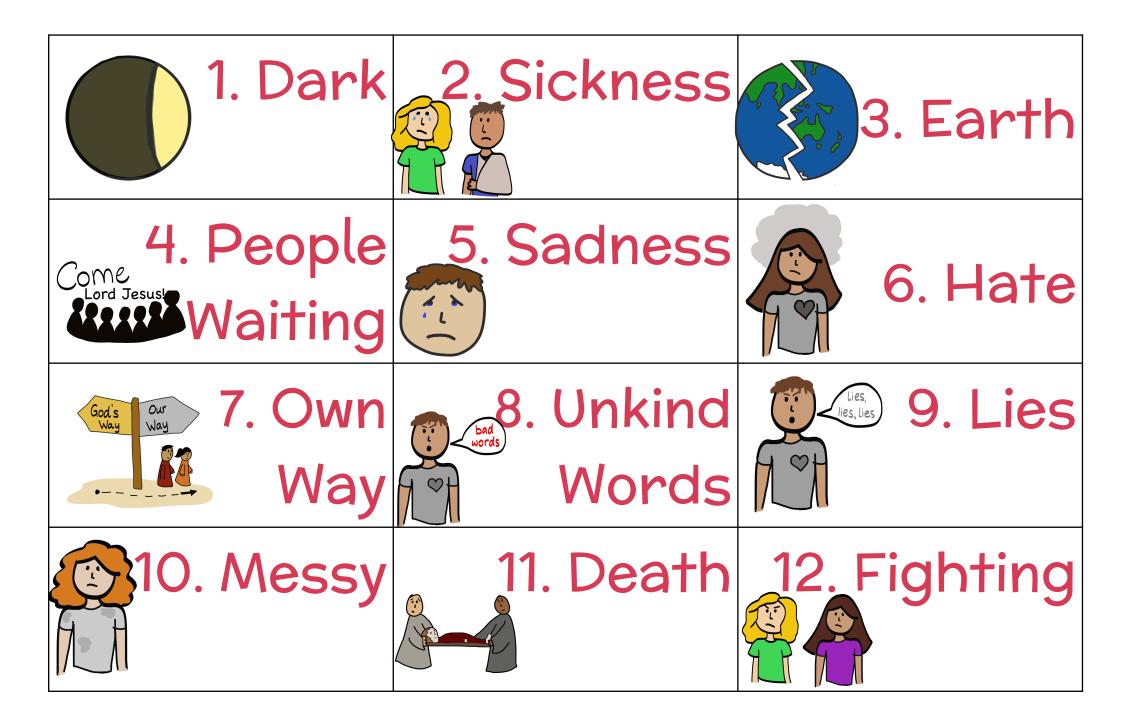
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Revelation Bingo

YOU'LL NEED...

- Printout Worksheet #3 Revelation Bingo game boards (1 of each)
- Printout of Bingo calling cards
- Markers/counters (enough for 30 per player)

- 1. Each player is to receive a different game board.
- 2. The caller selects one of the calling cards and reads out what picture is on the card.
- 3. All players who have that picture on their game board must place a counter where that picture is.
- 4. Continue calling out the cards until someone has 5 pictures/counters in a row (could be horizontal, vertical, or diagonal).





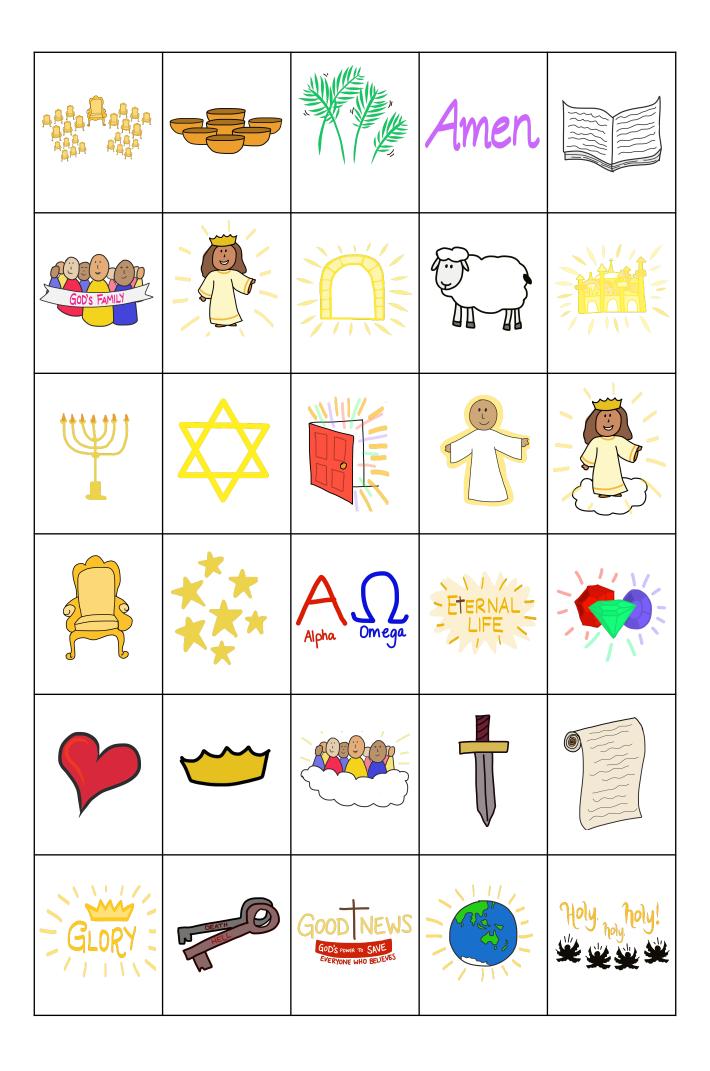
This game helps us remember the amazing things God promises in Revelation. We can look forward to all the wonderful things in God's perfect future.



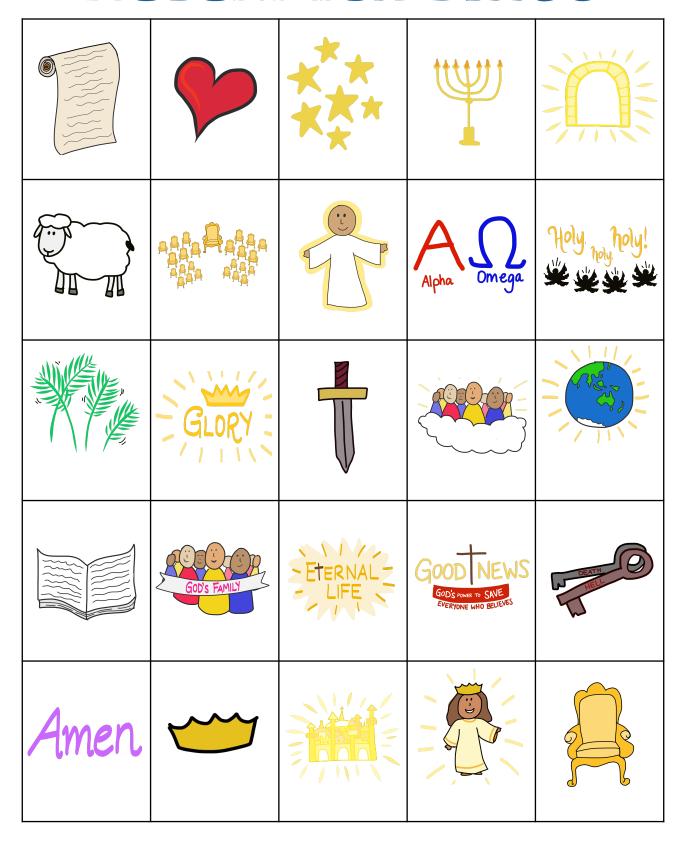


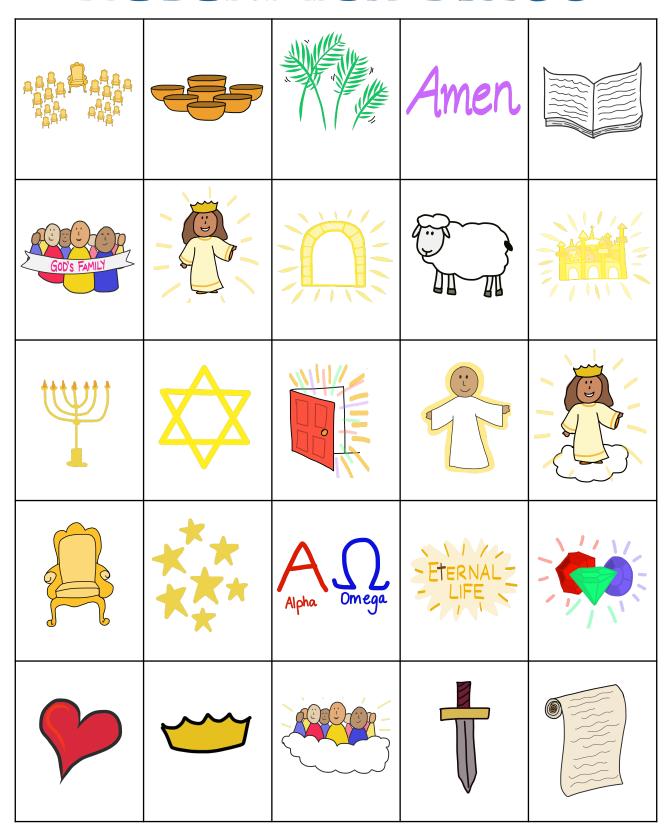
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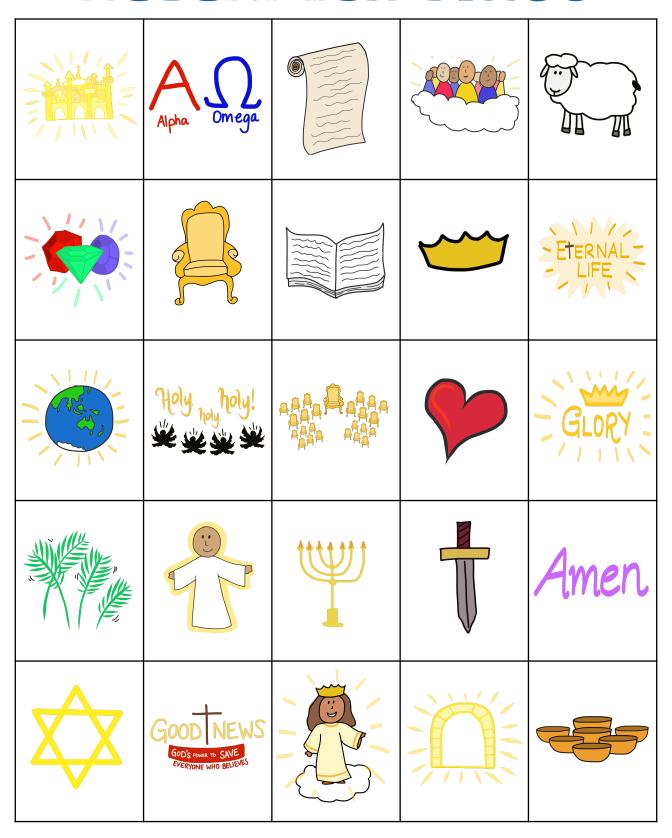


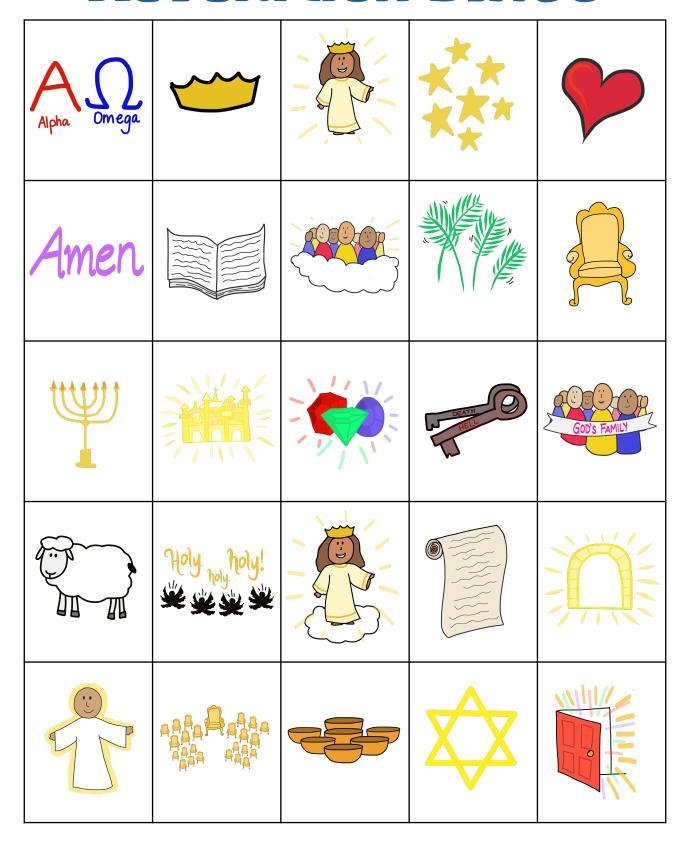


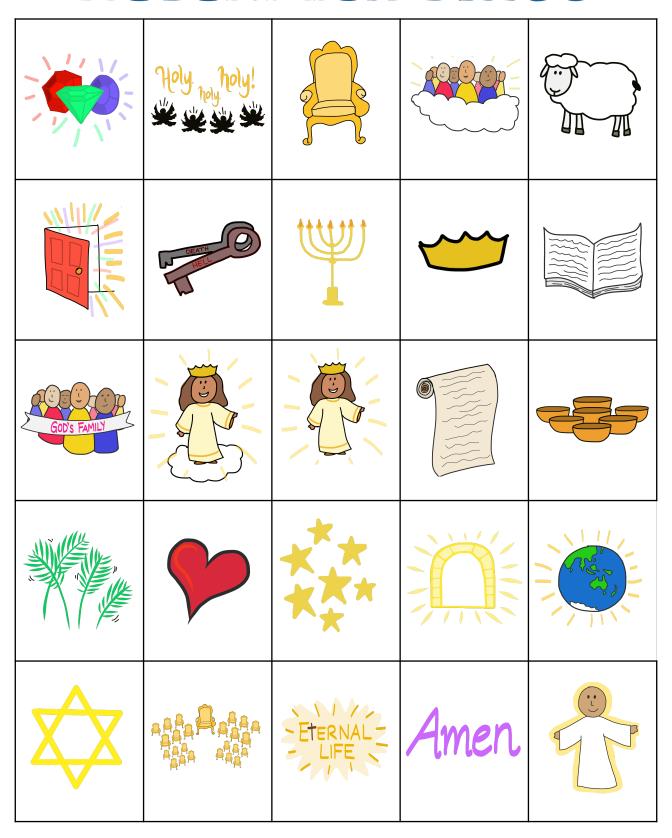
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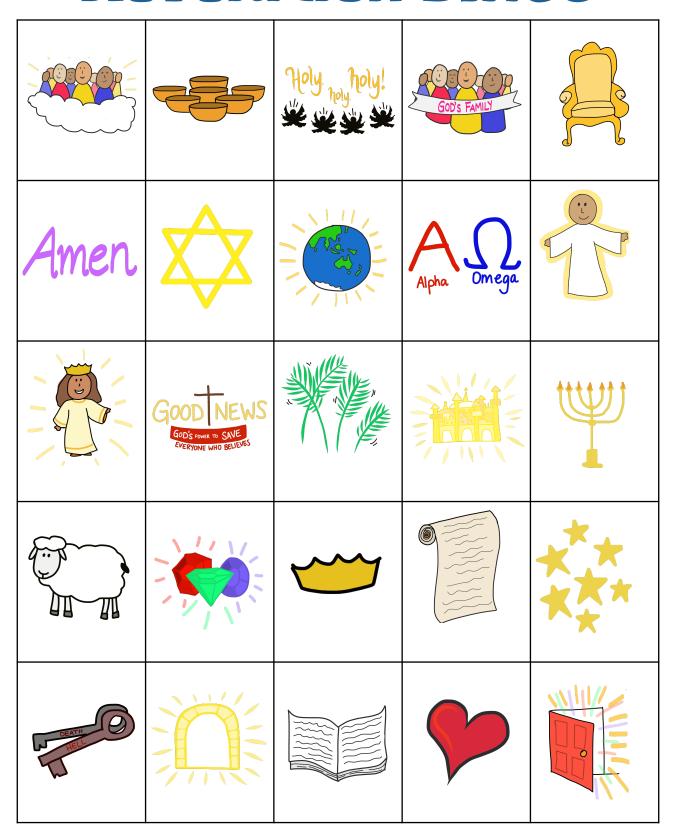


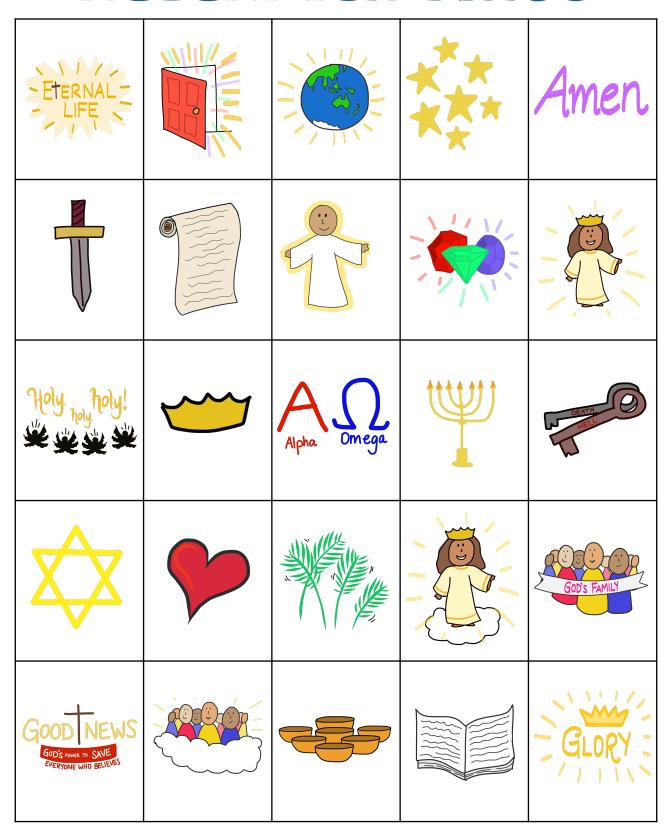


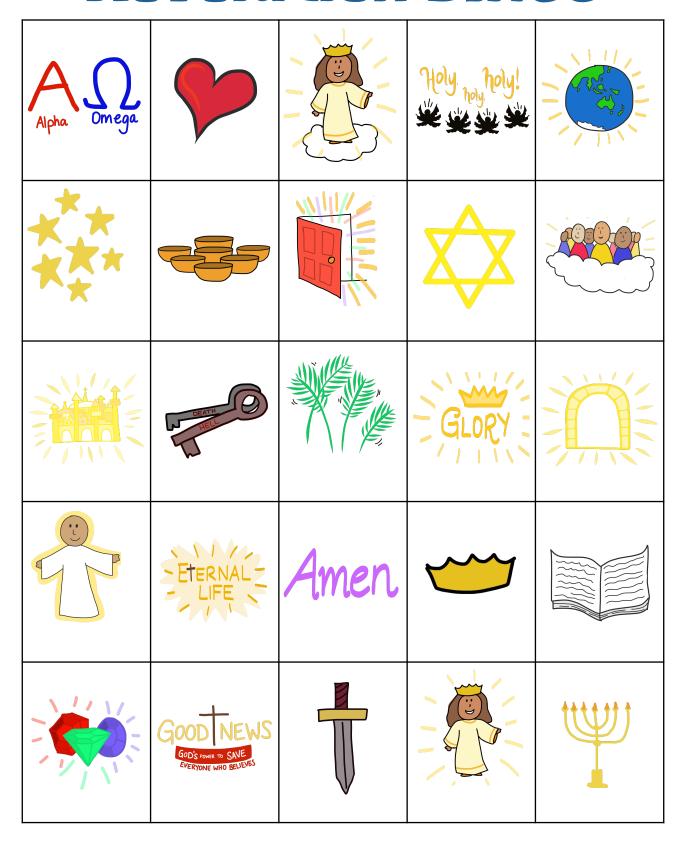












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Blind Back Drawing

YOU'LL NEED...

- Mini Whiteboards (1 per partner)
- Whiteboard markers and cloths
- Paddlepop sticks (or similar firm, non-marking object)

STEPS

- 1. Partner the children up. One child is to sit in front of the other child. The child at the back draws or writes a message on the child in front's back - using a paddlepop stick (or similar).
- 2. The child in front holds a mini whiteboard and receives the message on their back and draws a copy of this on the whiteboard. Once finished, they reveal their drawing to the child behind to see how accurate it is!
- 3. Repeat, but partners swap roles.
- 4. When kids try to guess the drawing, it's often messy, unclear, or confusing. That's a bit like life now, we only get a glimpse of God's plans, and sometimes things feel broken or hard to understand. But one day, in the new creation, everything will be clear, perfect, and wonderful because God will make all things new.





Right now, life is a bit like trying to guess what's being drawn on your back. It can be tricky and sometimes messy. But in God's new creation, we won't be guessing anymore, we'll see clearly and live with God forever in a perfect new world



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Art with **Pastels**

YOU'LL NEED...

- Paper
- Pastels
- Lead Pencils
- Clipboards

STEPS

- 1. Talk about all the different things that will be God's Kingdom that are described in Revelation. Ask the children what they think it will look like, sound like, what will be there and what won't be there.
- 2. Give each child a piece of paper and a lead pencil. Ask them to draw their idea of what God's new creation will look like.
- 3. Then using pastels, get them to add colour to their pictures.





When we draw God's kingdom, we get to imagine the beauty, joy, and peace of the new creation. Our drawings are just a tiny picture, but they remind us of the promise that God is making everything new and perfect.



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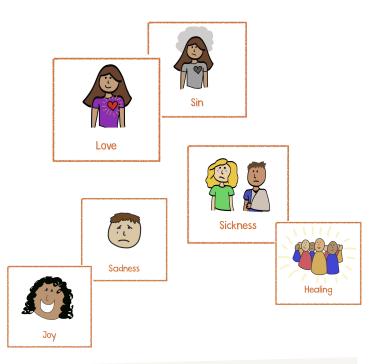
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GAME: Opposites

YOU'LL NEED...

• Printout of Worksheet #4

- 1. Talk with the children about the difference between the world now and what New Creation will be like. Refer to verse 4 where we are told there will be no more sadness, pain, sorrow, death.
- 2. Flip through the images from the printout (pre-cut these out). Ask the children what each one is and/or name each one. Talk about what opposites are and work with the children to try and find all the opposites in the set.
- 3. Then lay out the images, face down on a flat surface. Children take turns to flip over TWO of the images. If they are a match of 'opposites' that go together, they keep those two and have another
- 4. Continue playing, with the children taking turns to flip over pairs.
- 5. Alternative, hold up a picture one at a time and have the children run to the side of the room where it belongs: either "The World Now" (broken by sin) or "New Creation" (perfect with God).





The world now is full of sadness, pain, and death because of sin. But God promises that one day, through Jesus, he will make everything new.



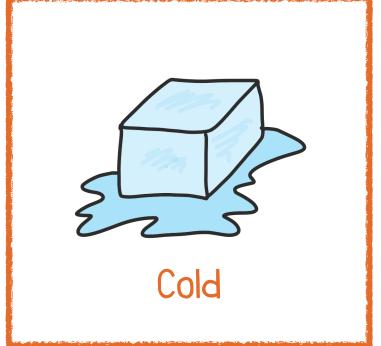
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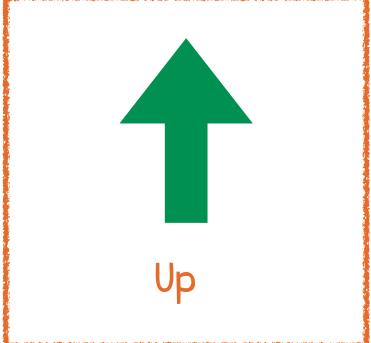


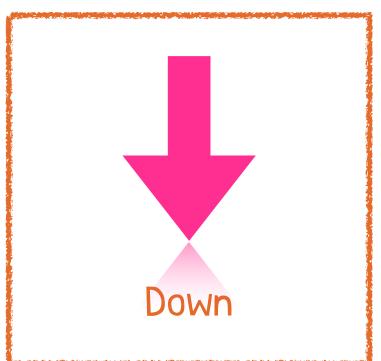
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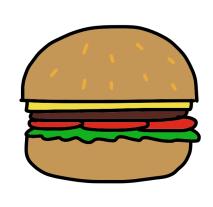








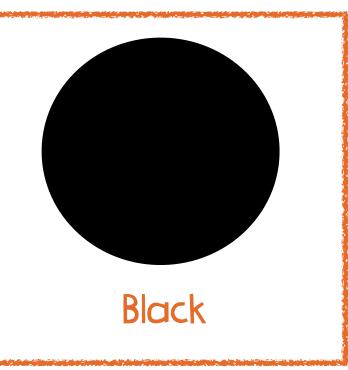


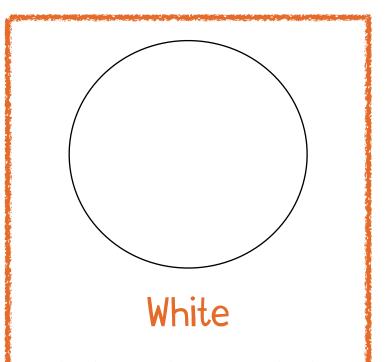


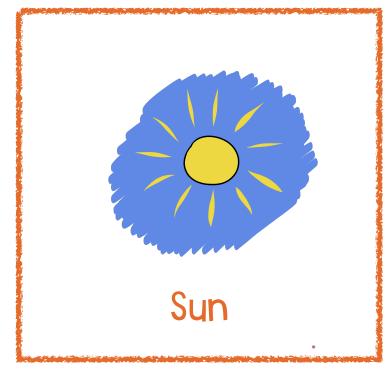
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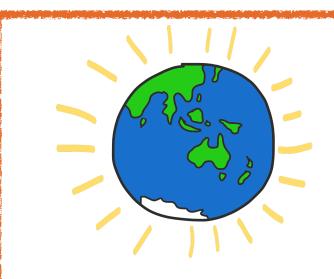








Earth - Broken



New Creation

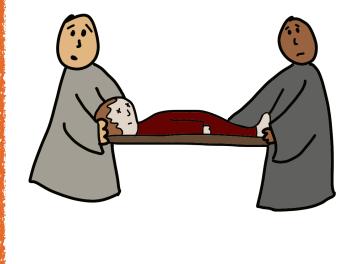


Jesus Returns



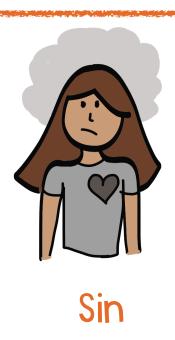


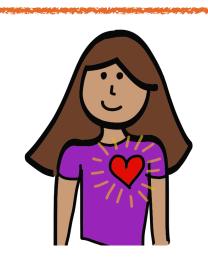
People waiting



Death







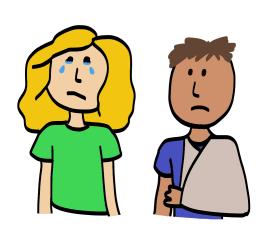
Love



Sadness



Joy



Sickness



THIS SUNDAY

BIBLE FOCUS

THEME

New Creation and Our Future

OVERVIEW

GAME: Jigsaw Puzzle Relay

YOU'LL NEED...

• Jigsaw puzzles (1 per team)

STEPS

- Gather the children into groups, lining them in parallel lines at one end of the room.
- Set up the puzzle pieces in front of the children and the puzzle boards at the other end.
- 3. Explain to the children that it will be a relay race against the other teams.
- 4. When the leader says GO, the first child picks up ONE puzzle piece and runs to the other side of the room and puts it in the correct spot on the puzzle board and runs back to their team.
- When they make it back, the next child picks up a puzzle piece and runs to the other side of the room and back.
- Repeat until all the pieces are in the puzzle, the winner is the team who finishes first.





Right now our world feels a bit like a puzzle with missing or broken pieces. But in the new creation, God will put all the pieces back together, he will fix what is broken and make the picture perfect forever.

