



KIDS FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE for May 8th - May 14th  
LUKE-ACTS: 40 Days with the Risen King Pt. 3 – “Women of the Bible”

**Family Activity: Mothers Teaching Pendant**

For this weeks activity, we'll be making homemade necklaces/pendants! Proverbs 1:9 says, “**forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are [like] pendants [around] your neck.**” So, we are going to be making pendants with something our mom taught us written on the pendant. Just take some card board and cut it into small square pieces big enough for a small phrase to be written on it. Cut a small hole in the top, lace some string through the hole and tie a knot. Boom! A necklace made with your mothers teachings!

**FOCUS: Luke 24:1-11**

**Jesus Appears to A Faithful Woman**

Jesus said to her, “Mary ... go and tell my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and to your Father, to my God and to your God.’ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord!”

**BIG IDEA 1** – This week, we are going to be highlighting women in the Bible that God used to bring about his kingdom on the Earth. The Bible shows us how important women are in God’s plan to save humanity. A prime example of this is Mary, the mother of Jesus our Messiah, who mothered the savior of this world. Right after Jesus was raised to life, he appeared to Mary Magdalene and used her as the first voice to ever announce that Jesus was alive.

**Q1- Why do you think Jesus appeared to Mary first and not his disciples?**

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**FOCUS: Genesis 3:20; Esther 4:14; Luke 10:39**

**Women of the Bible**

**BIG IDEA 2** – Here, we are going to highlight three of the many key women in the Bible that God used to do AM-AZ-ING things! — “Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the **mother of all the living.**”

We'll start with Eve. Eve is a very often misunderstood character in the Bible. While she and Adam both brought sin and death into the world through partaking of the forbidden tree, she is the mother of the human race, and represents God's promise to beget the one who would crush the head of the devil and redeem humanity from sin once and for all.

**“And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?”**

Next, we'll look at Queen Esther. Queen Esther was used by God to save the Jewish people while they were captive in Babylon. If it weren't for Esther, the entire Jewish people could have be lost, and thus, the line of Jesus our Savior lost. She is a symbol of bravery, strength, and trust in God to keep his promises.

**“She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said.”**

Lastly, we'll look at Mary of Bethany. Mary sat at Jesus' feet and learned from him intently while in a place that in Jesus' day, was only for men. Mary of Bethany represents Jesus' clear message that he cuts through cultural expectations and desires **to extend fellowship to all human beings.**

**Q2- Who is your favorite female bible character and, why? Who is welcome into God's Kingdom? Give some examples. Does God give any special privileges to people based on how they look? Explain.**

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**FOCUS: Proverbs 1:8-9**

**Mother's Teaching**

**“Hear...your father's instruction, and **forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck.**”**

**BIG IDEA 3** – King Solomon, the wisest man on Earth (besides Jesus, of course) wrote this proverb instructing his child to **“forsake not your mothers teachings.”** He says the teachings of a mother are so important that they should be written down and put as a garland around your head or pendant around your neck. Can't forget that way! This goes along with the God's 4th commandment, which is too **“honor your father and mother.”**

**Q3- How can you honor your mothers teaching more this week? What is the something your mom has taught you that you follow regularly?**



