

# Daily Discovery 06

**Today we are exploring Luke 22:14-20 and discovering that Jesus loves us so much that he died for us.**

## What You Need

Hot cross buns (!)

Bread and juice

Paper and pens

Bible, John 3:16 written out with blank spaces (see Bible Story)

Worship music

Card making materials

## Intro Activity

Play a Favourite Food quiz – ask your child ‘would you rather’ questions, giving them a choice of food and have them shout out their choice. Eg. Would you rather eat Chips or Roast Potatoes? Would you rather have Spaghetti Bolognese or Pizza?

Talk together about foods which help you remember special times. (like Birthday cakes or Christmas pudding.) What foods remind you of Easter? If you have some Hot cross buns you could have one as a snack today or if you have the ingredients you could find a recipe and have a go at making some soon.

## Bible Story

Explain that The Passover meal reminded people of the Rescue from Egypt (remember Day 4). It included Roast lamb, bread and red wine. When Jesus and all his friends came together to

celebrate the Passover meal and remember God's rescue from Egypt. Jesus used the bread and wine to help his friends get ready for his death.

Find in the Bible and read together Luke 22:14-20 or read the Last Supper story from a Children's Bible.

Discuss: What did Jesus say the bread was like? (v19)

What did Jesus say the wine was like? (v20)

Jesus wanted his friends to understand that this rescue is far more important than that first rescue from Egypt. This is the one to remember. Jesus wants you and me to know that he chose to die for us to rescue us.

Look up John 3:16 in the Bible, read it together. Write it out like this for each person in the room:

God loved \_\_\_\_\_ so much that he gave his only Son, so that when \_\_\_\_\_ believes in him they would not be lost but have eternal life. John 3:16

Each person writes their name in the blank spaces and then reads it out loud. Let the truth sink in of how much Jesus loves each of you.

## Worship

Sing a worship song together which thanks Jesus for loving us. You could use this song "God is love" by Nick and Becky Drake <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sc1wHXmXKsk>

Whilst worship music is playing, sit quietly and ask Jesus to show you what you could do to thank Jesus for dying for you. Draw a picture of what he shows you and try to do it today.

Share communion together as a family using bread and juice. Explain that Christians still share bread and wine together to remember that Jesus chose to die for them because he loves us so much. Encourage each person to pray and say thank you to Jesus.

## Activation

Ask Jesus to show you someone not living in your house, a friend or family member who needs to know they are loved today. Write them an email, or letter, or make them a card or draw them a picture to show them they are loved and find a way to get it to them

## Facebook Challenge

Post on facebook a photograph of you sharing communion together or your pictures of what you could do to show Jesus your thanks for dying for you.

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# Daily Discovery 07

**Today we are exploring Luke 22:39-53 and discovering that Jesus chose to obey God - he chose to die to rescue us.**

## What You Need

Paper and pens  
Bible

## Intro Activity

Play a Family game of Choices. Give a choice, eg. pet dog or pet guinea pig – jump left for first choice jump right for second choice and stay in the middle for putting off the choice!

Choices could include:

Washing up or tidying bedroom  
Eating chocolate or drinking water  
Playing football or doing gardening

Each think of something you don't like doing. Would you rather make the choice to do it straight away, put off doing it or not do it at all?

## Bible Story (part 1)

In today's true story from the Bible, it is important to remember that Jesus was always in control and knew what he was doing. That means he had a choice. He didn't have to die on the cross, he could have chosen not to. But he didn't because he loves us so much.

Find Luke 22:39-46 in the Bible and read together.

This is Jesus talking to his Father God. Draw 2 speech bubbles on a piece of paper. Can you spot what Jesus said to his Father God? In the first speech bubble write what Jesus ask Jesus to do for him and in the second speech bubble write what Jesus chose to do.

Explain: Jesus had a choice to die for us, he chose to obey God and do it.

## Activation

What do you choose to say to God today? Draw a picture of yourself and write in a speech bubble what you want to say to God today

## Bible Story (part 2)

Read and act out the next bit of the story Luke 22:47-53, you might need a sword and some fake blood!

Explain: Jesus could have escaped but he didn't. When his friends tried to protect him, he stopped them. Then, he healed the injured man. Jesus always chose God's way and chose the way which would lead to our rescue. Jesus chose to rescue us.

## Worship

Play some worship music and draw your worship – make a poster together thanking Jesus for choosing to rescue us. Display your poster somewhere to remind you of Jesus' rescue.

## Facebook Challenge

Post on Facebook a photograph of your speech bubbles saying what you are choosing to say to God today.

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# Daily Discovery 08

**Today we are exploring Luke 22:54 -62 and discovering that Jesus' perfect love casts out all fear.**

## What You Need

Bible

Quiet or instrumental worship music

Paper and pens

## Intro Memory Verse Activity

Look up 1 John 4:18a, which says, "Where God's love is, there is no fear, because God's perfect love takes away fear." Read it together, write it out on a poster together, shout out as loudly as you can the word love and whisper the word fear! Or any other way you know to remember this verse.

Explain: Fear likes to tell us what to do and sometimes it can be sneaky. We are going to learn how to catch fear, how to not listen to it and how to get rid of fear completely.

## Bible Story

Remember that so far in our true Bible story Jesus' friends have seen Jesus arrested and taken away by the guards. They were seriously afraid of what was going to happen!

Look up and read Luke 22:54-62 together.

Discuss: What did fear make Peter do?

Fear made Peter feel powerless to do the right thing. Fear is sneaky like that, it pretends to be more powerful than it is. Remember our memory verse? Anytime we have fear it means we need more of God's love in us to stop us feeling afraid. Whenever love comes fear has to leave. When we feel afraid all we have to do is ask God to show us his love for us. Perfect love casts out fear, so when God's love comes fear can't stay.

## Activation

Have an encounter with God's love.

Play quiet instrumental worship music and everyone find a quiet spot in the room, lay down and close eyes.

Ask Holy Spirit to show you where you have been afraid, He might show you pictures or words or even a memory. Tell Jesus that you were afraid and ask him into that fear or situation. Jesus will then give you something in place of that fear. Ask him what he gives you. Now ask Jesus what to do if this fear happens again. Remember his love and peace are always here for you.

Talk together about what happened in that encounter with Jesus. Draw or write about your encounter.

## Facebook Challenge

Post a picture on Facebook of your encounter with Jesus.

Post 5 things you are thankful for today.

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# Daily Discovery 09

**Today we are exploring Luke 22:66-71 and discovering that Jesus is the Rescuer and King.**

## What You Need

The biggest piece of paper  
Pens  
Bible  
Paper to make crowns  
Stickers  
Worship music

## Worship

Cover the table with the biggest piece of paper you can find. Have someone write in the middle of the paper “Jesus is ...” Play some worship music and ask Jesus who he says he is and what he is like. As He shows you things write or draw what he shows you. Worship Jesus for who he is. Become aware of his presence in the room.

## Bible Story

So far in our true Bible story Jesus has been arrested and put on trial. But Jesus had done nothing wrong.

Look up and read Luke 22:66-71 together.

Find 3 titles for who Jesus is? (v67. 69 and 70)

You could look on the internet and find out what these titles mean.

Explain: God had promised to send a new king to rescue his people. These titles meant that Jesus was the one! He had been sent by God as the promised Rescuer and King.

What do you believe about Jesus? Make a big thumbs up if you think these things are true:

- Jesus is the Son of God
- Jesus died to rescue me
- Jesus talks to me and listens to me when I talk to him
- Jesus loves me
- Jesus wants me to be his friend.

## Activation

Make crowns out of paper, decorate with stickers if you have some and write on your crown “Jesus is my King and Rescuer.” As you put the crown on your head stand still for a minute and let Jesus’ presence fill you up.

## Facebook Challenge

Post your crowns on Facebook today. What can we pray for you today?

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# Daily Discovery 10

**Today we are exploring Luke 23:32-38 and discovering that Jesus' died to forgive us for all our sins.**

## What You Need

Resources to make and decorate a cross, paper and pens  
YouTube videos, Bible, heart shaped object, worship music

## Intro Activity

Make a cross shape and decorate it. (Please do this in any way that you have the resources for. There are loads of ideas on Pinterest, just search "Cross craft ideas for children".)

## Bible Story

So far in our true Bible story Jesus has been arrested and put on trial. But Jesus had done nothing wrong. He has been sentenced to die.

Watch this YouTube video by Crossroad Kids Club - God's Story: Easter <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cZ4gQniUVO8>

Then look up and read Luke 23:32-38 together. Or read the story of Jesus' crucifixion from a Children's Bible.

Explain: Crucifixion was used by the Romans as a way to kill criminals, Jesus had done nothing wrong, but he was killed just like he was a criminal. He was nailed to a cross and left to die.

It was a Roman custom to put a sign on each cross to show what that person had done wrong. What did the sign say for the people on Jesus' left and right? What did the sign on Jesus' cross say? Make a sign saying this to go on the cross you have made.

Look back at the Bible verses, what did Jesus say when he was nailed to the cross?

WOW! The sign on Jesus' cross was right. He was the king, He was the King who came to die so that His people could be forgiven.

## Worship

Worship together thanking Jesus that he died to forgive everyone their sins and that nothing we do is so bad that we can't be forgiven. Use this song: God so loved the world by Hillsong Kids <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lBzzj7dr-YA>

## Activation

Have an encounter with God's love and forgiveness. Play quiet instrumental worship music and everyone find a quiet spot in the room, lay down and close eyes. If you have a heart shaped object or a piece of paper which is heart shaped, hold this in your hand.

Ask Holy Spirit to show you if there is anything you have done which has hurt Jesus' heart. If he shows you anything say sorry and ask him to forgive you. Jesus will then give you something in place of that hurt. Ask him what he gives you. Receive what he gives you.

Talk together about what happened in that encounter with Jesus. Draw or write about your encounter.

## Facebook Challenge

Post a picture on Facebook of your cross. Tell us how God showed you his love today.

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