



FAMILY ACTIVITY: BOOK OF GENESIS

CROSSING THE DIVIDE

Say: In the Book of Genesis, we learn that God created us to have a perfect friendship with Him, but then sin wrecked everything. Sin created a separation between us and God. We're going to do an activity that will help us picture that.

Directions: Lay 2 pieces of rope or tape parallel to each other on the floor with about 6 inches between them. Instruct your kids to stand along the edge of one rope while facing the other rope. Say, "1, 2, 3...Jump!" and have everyone do a standing broad jump over the gap to the opposite side of the other rope. Next, move one of the ropes 6 inches further away so that the gap becomes bigger. Repeat the instructions above. Continue moving the ropes further away from each other until no one can jump all the way across. Ask the following questions:

Question: How did this activity remind you of sin?

Question: What did Jesus do to help bridge the "sin gap" that separates us from God?

Directions: Using tape, create a cross that stretches from one rope to the other. Have your kids walk along the cross from one side of the gap to the other and have a seat.

Say: Romans 8:39 says, "Nothing at all can separate us from God's love. That's because of what Christ Jesus our Lord has done." When Jesus died on the cross, he defeated sin. Now there's nothing that can separate us from a friendship with God.