



Bible in the Week

A weekly resource for
3-11s to engage with the
Bible at home

Who Are We?

My name is Shona Hunter-Singh and I am currently the Children's and Family Worker at Gold Hill Baptist Church in Chalfont St Peter.

In a typical week we love to connect with children and families from our village and beyond. Due to the worlds current situations, meeting in person has had to stop for the time being. However, this doesn't mean that we don't want to continue connecting with our community.

Over the next season we will be uploading different resources to our website for 0-11s and families at:

goldhill.org/kidszone

Here you will also find a weekly plan for the different things we will be uploading or doing virtually that you would be more than welcome to join.

You are also able to contact myself directly at

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How it Works

Every Wednesday we will post up a small pack that we pray will help you in engaging with the Bible at home, especially during times such as these.

Each pack will include:

Bible Passage:

This will include the passage that the rest of the pack will be looking at as well as some other ways of presenting and sharing stories from the Bible with children.

Age Appropriate Study/Reflections:

This will provide some resource to help children engage with the passage they have read previously. It will vary each week and include different activities and questions appropriate to their ages. With the younger age groups adults will need to help them with explaining the activities.

Prayer Time:

A written prayer or prayer activity to do as a family or encourage your children to do it themselves.

Extra Bits:

At the back there will be a colouring sheet and one extra activity such as a word search.

Take Some Time Together:

We would love to encourage you to take this opportunity to spend time together around the Bible. You may find that what is in this pack leads you onto another conversation.

Bible Story

Luke 10:38-42 New Century Version (NCV)

Mary and Martha

³⁸ While Jesus and his followers were traveling, Jesus went into a town. A woman named Martha let Jesus stay at her house. ³⁹ Martha had a sister named Mary, who was sitting at Jesus' feet and listening to him teach. ⁴⁰ But Martha was busy with all the work to be done. She went in and said, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me alone to do all the work? Tell her to help me."

⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and upset about many things. ⁴² Only one thing is important. Mary has chosen the better thing, and it will never be taken away from her."

Other ways to share the story:

Life Kids: www.youtube.com/watch?v=C91ygWW2u0U

The Holy Tales (Younger): www.youtube.com/watch?v=HEPD6j3c-ms

Crossroads Kids: www.youtube.com/watch?v=AQGKLA4AfXs

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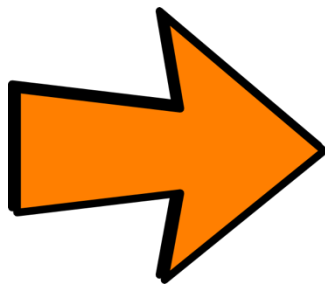
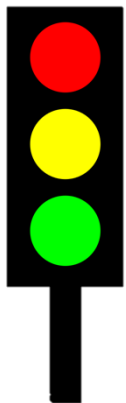
Activity:

Play musical statues. When the music stops make sure you freeze and stand really still! If you don't have any music you can play 'Green and Red', when someone says 'Green' you can walk around, when someone says 'Red' make sure you stop!

What do you use to listen?



Have you seen these signs before? What do they mean?



When Jesus spoke to Mary and Martha he wanted them to listen. When we listen to Jesus He tells us what to do.

Jesus wants us to listen.



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Question:

Would you rather...
Have cereal or toast for breakfast?
Have a gymnastics lesson or a swimming lesson?
Go on a bike or a scooter?

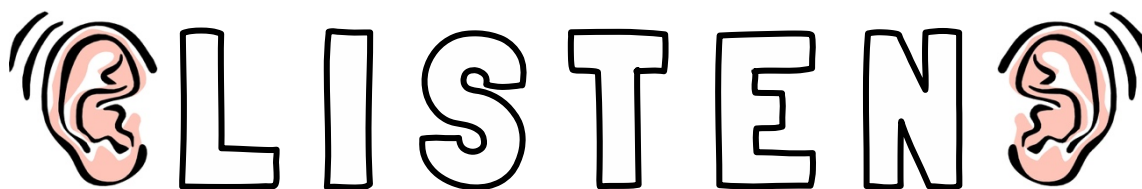
When Jesus spoke to Mary and Martha, they had a choice to make.

If Jesus was coming to your house, what would you do?



Question:

What was the difference between Mary and Martha?
What do you think Jesus wants us to do?



Activity:

You will need: A water bottle, water and glitter.

1. Put some glitter into your water bottle. If you have some glitter glue, you can use that too!
2. Fill the bottle up with water and put the lid on it.
3. When you shake the bottle the glitter will fill the bottle but after a little bit of time, it will settle. As the glitter settles spend some time being still and listening to God.

Remember, when God speaks to us it always draws us closer to Him.

Make a Note:

Over the next few weeks we are going to be looking at lots of different stories about when people met Jesus. Maybe you could make a book of lots of different pictures reminding you of these!

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Did You Know?

Jesus wasn't popular. Some people had a real issue with Him. Martha and Mary, in our story today, knew that Jesus was unpopular and knew that they could get into trouble for being his friends, but they didn't let that stop them from helping him and having him round to dinner.

Have a think:

If you could invite anyone (celebrity, family, friend, someone from the Bible!) who would you invite?

What would you do with them?

Why do we make a big deal when people come over?



Question:

What was the difference between Mary and Martha?
Do you sometimes get distracted like Martha?
What is Jesus trying to say?
How can live out what Jesus is teaching us?
Why do you think this is important?

What does Jesus taking time to listen to Jesus mean to you?



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Prayer Time

Be Still

Sometimes, it can be really easy to do lots of things. Take sometime just to be still and not do anything and pray.

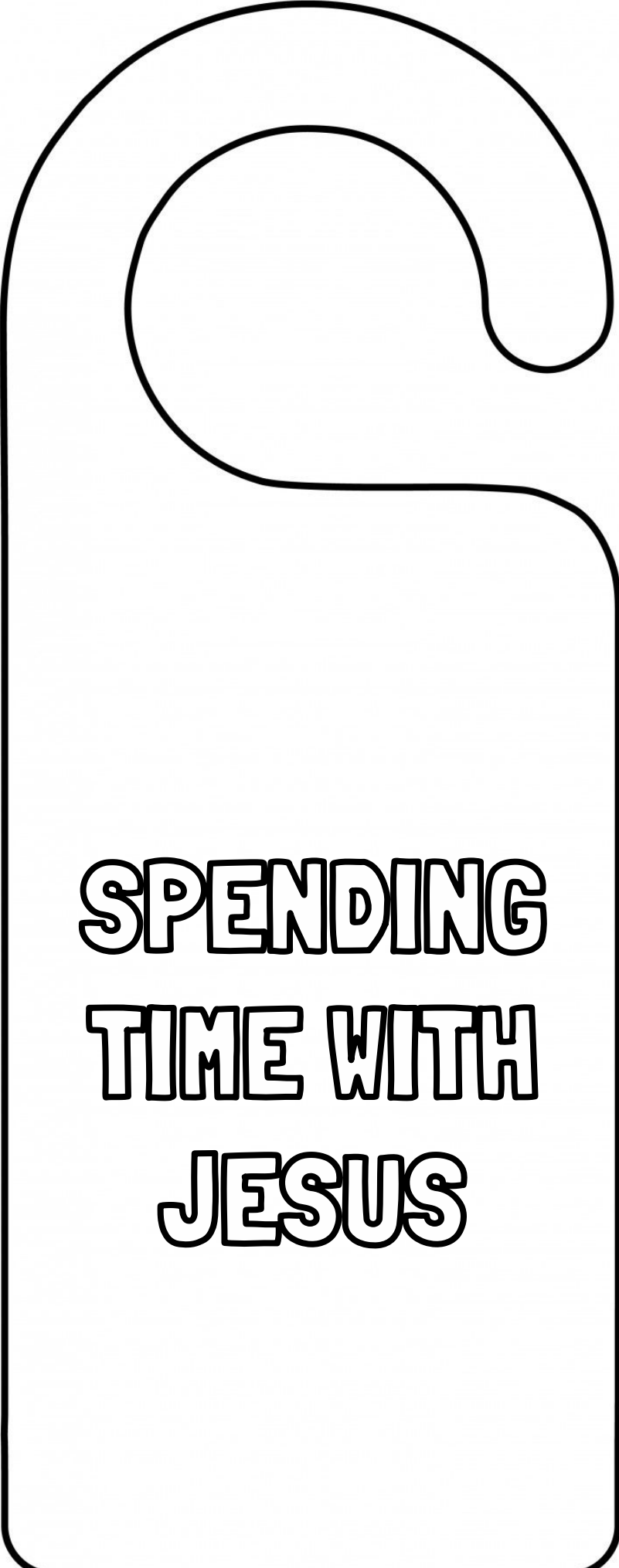
You might want to listen to a worship song, or light a candle. But just simply, take some time to be still and pray.

Dear God,

Thank you that we can learn from you. Thank you that we have the Bible and can read all the amazing things you have taught us.

We pray that we are like Mary and spend time listening to you. Even when things get really busy, we take some time to stop and listen to you.

Amen



**SPENDING
TIME WITH
JESUS**

