

Parent Guide

Elementary: July 26

BIBLE STORY:

Heaven
Revelation 21:3-5a

BOTTOM LINE:

Following Jesus will turn out greater than you can imagine.



ACTIVITY: BIBLE STORY RETELL

Revelation was written by a man named John who was one of the original 12 disciples who spent time with Jesus.

John was taken to a prison colony on the island of Patmos, where people worked in the mines. He was sent there because he wouldn't stop telling people about Jesus.

Something really amazing happened to John. One day, John heard a loud voice behind him like a trumpet. The voice told him to write down everything he was about to see.

John turned and saw Jesus Himself. God was showing him a vision of things that would take place in the future. In this vision God gave to John, He showed John how the story will turn out for everyone who believe in Jesus.

John said that he saw a 'new heaven and a new earth'. He remembered what Jesus had said right before He went to die on the cross. God is preparing a place where those who believe in Him.

In John's vision, he saw a great white throne. He heard a voice from the throne say that in heaven there will be no more no more tears, no more sadness and no more pain.

John also described a city full of light. He also saw people who seemed to be doing exactly what they were created to do.

John didn't know exactly when the things God showed him would happen. And neither do we. But, because of what we've seen and heard we can have FAITH. We can be certain of this; In the end, God will make all things right.

Pray: God, thank you for giving John this version of what heaven will be like. Thank You for this promise, that You will make all things right for those who trust in You. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

ACTIVITY: SONG AND STORY

What you need: <https://vimeo.com/440835319>

FAMILY CONNECT QUESTION:

Think of your favorite place. What are three words or phrases you would use to describe it.

Say• In today's Bible story, we are going to hear about a place that's more awesome than you could imagine.

ACTIVITY: Super Colossally Awesome Abode

What you need: paper, art supplies

Create your own "Super Colossally Awesome Abode". Describe your drawing. What would be there? What would you do for fun? What would you eat?

Say• It's awesome to know that we can be with God forever in a place that more colossally awesome than we can ever imagine!

