

SUMMERFEST

DAY 3

The Ultimate Rescue

Sin brought darkness into the world, and people needed rescue. Jesus came as the Light of the World and began restoring what was broken.

But the rescue was bigger than healing people or performing miracles. Jesus came to save us from sin completely. Even though Jesus never sinned, He chose to die on the cross for us so we could be forgiven and brought back to God. Jesus became the ultimate rescue for the world.

ACTIVITY



Save the Star

Setup

Each group receives:

- One paper “Power Star”
- One cup or small bowl
- Three to four pieces of string or yarn

Instructions

Round 1 – Try Alone

- One student tries to remove the star
- They may only use one finger

Round 2 – Partial Help

- Two to three students help using only fingers

Round 3 – Full Rescue Team

- Students use string together to lift or move the cup and free the star

Debrief

We might try to fix things on our own, but it does not work. We cannot rescue ourselves from sin. Jesus did not just help a little. He came and fully rescued us by dying on the cross.

MEMORY VERSE

John 8:12

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

Step 1 – Build the Verse

- Students work together to place verse strips in the correct order

Step 2 – Form a Cross

- Arrange the verse into a cross shape

Step 3 – Whisper Read

- Read the verse together quietly
- Level Up
- Remove 2–3 strips and have students fill in from memory
- Mix and rebuild the verse



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1st–2nd Grade Questions

1. What happened to Jesus on the cross?
2. Did Jesus do anything wrong?
3. Why did Jesus die?
4. Who did Jesus die for?
5. How does it make you feel knowing Jesus loves you that much?





DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

3rd–5th Grade Questions

1. If Jesus was perfect, why was He willing to suffer and die?
2. What does the cross show us about how serious sin is?
3. Why can't we fix our sin on our own?
4. What does it mean that Jesus “rescued” us?
5. How should the way Jesus sacrificed for us change the way we live?

PRAYER

Jesus, thank You for loving us so much that You were willing to die on the cross for our sins. Thank You for rescuing us when we could not rescue ourselves. Help us remember how serious sin is and how great Your love is for us. Thank You for forgiving us, bringing us out of darkness, and giving us new life. Help us live in a way that honors You and shares Your love with others. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen.

