



MATTHEW | GET UP | WEEK 4 OF 4

Always

From God speaking to the prophet Jeremiah to the story of Jesus' birth from Joseph's point of view, in this series the students will discover that God shows us his never-ending love through Jesus.

BIG IDEA

What God says always comes true.

KEY VERSE

"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16 (NLT)

1 | Hangout

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Discuss:
 - Is there anyone in your life who you can count on to be honest with you, even if it's difficult?
 - How have they become someone you can trust over time?
 - Are you someone who is trustworthy?



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2 | Hear

SUPPLIES

- Bibles

INSTRUCTIONS

- Make sure everyone has a Bible. Share them if needed.
- Show the students how to find Matthew 2:13–23.
- Read the verses together.
- Discuss:
 - Do you have any questions or comments about this passage? If so, what are they?
 - How do you think Joseph felt about trusting what God told him to do?
- Point out that there are three levels to this story. First, God is communicating with Joseph. Second, God is fulfilling prophecies that were made hundreds of years before Jesus was born. Third, God is reminding readers that he has been faithful to his promises so that we can trust that he will continue to be.
- Discuss: What does it mean to you that **what God says always comes true**?
- Look up and read John 3:16–21.
- Discuss:
 - Did anything stand out to you in this passage? If so, what was it?
 - Why is it good news that **what God says always comes true**?
 - What does it mean that light has come into the world?

3 | Huddle

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- Discuss:
 - Have you ever heard from God? If so, how did he communicate with you?
 - Is it intimidating or comforting to you that God knows everything you've ever done—and loves you anyway?
- Pray together about what the students have shared and discussed.