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A CONVERSATION KIT ON

THE BIBLE

Conversation Guide

Bible, ep. 4

Episode 4 summary

- The theme of the Bible is unique; it's not a concept or idea. Instead, it's a person: Jesus.
- The Bible in its entirety, from the stories of Genesis, to the law, to the Prophets, to the New Testament, points to Jesus.
- As Jonah says, "Salvation belongs to the Lord." Jesus is the only one who saves. The Bible is not the point of Christianity. Jesus is!

1. What is the Bible?
2. The Here and Now
3. The Bible is Weird
4. Themes

Discussion questions

01 Why do you think humans respond so much to the idea of a sacrificial savior? Why is this type of character so common?

02 What do you think the Bible would be like without Jesus? Remember, the Old Testament concludes before his arrival, so it's not *too* hard to think about.

03 So the Bible is big and complex and has influenced culture and morals in significant ways for thousands of years, but has a single person as its primary focus. Do you think Jesus deserves to be the focus? Why or why not?

Diving deeper

Read Luke 9:1-36. This section of Luke's Gospel is an example of the rapid fire storytelling about Jesus. Yet, it very clearly sets Jesus up as the center of the story. Verses 28-36 very clearly declare Jesus to be the Son of God, a human and divine savior. Many people really like Jesus, but don't want to believe he's truly divine. Jesus could have spent his time using his power to tear down corrupt governments and free his people from oppression. Instead he healed people and washed feet. What does that say about him?