

This week's Bible story is **God's House** from John 14:1-14



Jesus is the way to God, the truth we seek, and the source of life.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Prepare a place
- The way
- Dwells
- Father

Many houses that were built during the time of Jesus had unusual windows. The walls of the houses were very thick — up to two feet! On the outside of the wall, the window was small. This kept dangerous people from climbing in the window. On the inside, the window was bigger, to let in more light.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 448-449

Spark Bible page 1191

Family Prayer

To the tune of "Are You Sleeping?"

Thank you Father, Thank you Jesus, for our home, for our home.

You give us a place here and give us a place there!

We love you. We love you.

TALK ABOUT IT

Family Conversations

- 1 Have you ever been somewhere you didn't want to be? How did Jesus help you feel better?
- What are some ways you can make people feel comfortable when they visit your home?
- If you went ahead of your family to a new home, what might you do to prepare it for each member of your family? Name one thing you could do for each person.
- **4** Gather dominos or blocks at the table. Take turns adding blocks to create a house. Each time you add a block, name something Jesus has done for you.

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O Eye Spark

Any time you see a house with a "Welcome" sign in front, remember that you are welcomed into God's house too!



W Ear Spark

When you hear someone say they don't know where something is, tell yourself "I know where God is! Jesus teaches me how to find God!"

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LIVE IT

For families to do together

Gather gently used items from around your house to donate to a local shelter or charity. Pick items that could make a house feel comfortable or that are useful around the house. Travel as a family to donate these items to other people who need things for their house.

For younger kids

Pick something you can do each day this week to make your house nicer for everyone. Complete that action every day.

For older kids

Use the Paint function on a computer to draw designs for your family's dream home. Print out your designs and share them with your family. Tell each of your family members what you designed especially for them.

