

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FOR 11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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Getting Started

Below are some facts about four famous people, can you guess who is being described, answers at the bottom of page 1.

PERSON 1	PERSON 2
➤ This person wrote their 1 st book aged 6 about a rabbit	➤ This person has more than 3.8m subscribers on Instagram
➤ This person's favourite author is Jane Austen	➤ This person is the nation's unofficial PE teacher
➤ This person is the UK's bestselling living author	➤ This person has published recipe books inc. 'Lean in 15'
➤ This person's famous books are about a wizard, the only son of James and Lily Potter	➤ This person holds a Guinness World Record - most viewers for a workout live stream on YouTube

PERSON 3	PERSON 4
➤ This person is one of Britain's best dressed people	➤ This person is an Arsenal fan
➤ This person is a patron of lots of charities	➤ This person is a sportsman
➤ This person is a mother of 3	➤ This person is a multiple World Champion
➤ This person is married to the future King of England	➤ This person is a British formula one racing car driver

When Jesus was alive on earth over 2000 years ago, people tried to work out who He really was. Jesus' disciples, who spent the most time with Him, saw what Jesus did and heard what He said. They knew that Jesus was Joseph and Mary's son, they knew that Jesus was a carpenter, they knew that Jesus was a miracle worker and they knew that Jesus was a prophet, a preacher and a teacher. But did they really know who Jesus was?

The Story



Jesus went to the territory near the town of Caesarea Philippi, where he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

"Some say John the Baptist," they answered. "Others say Elijah, while others say Jeremiah or some other prophet."

"What about you?" he asked them. "Who do you say I am?"

Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

"Good for you, Simon son of John!" answered Jesus. "For this truth did not come to you from any human being, but it was given to you directly by my Father in heaven. And so I tell you, Peter: you are a rock, and on this rock foundation I will build my church, and not even death will ever be able to overcome it. I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of heaven; what you prohibit on earth will be prohibited in heaven, and what you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven.".,

Can you spot Peter in this picture – Jesus is giving him the 'keys of the Kingdom'?

(Answers: JK Rowling, Joe Wicks, Catherine Duchess of Cambridge, Lewis Hamilton)

Thinking About It

In today's story Jesus asks his disciples who people thought he was. Everybody seemed to think he was someone special, but none of them knew who he really was. When Jesus asked the disciples directly, Simon answers and says he is the Christ, the Son of the living God. God has shown Simon in his heart who Jesus is/

Jesus said his name would now be Peter which means rock, and that on this rock he would build his Church. We say someone is a "rock" when they are very reliable and Peter would go on to lead and build the Christian church after Jesus leaves the earth.

I wonder how you will answer Jesus' question: "Who do you say I am?"

- Will you say that Jesus was a good man?
- Will you say that He was a miracle worker?
- Or have you been shown in your heart by God that Jesus is the Son of God?

Activities



'And so I tell you, Peter: you are a rock, and on this rock foundation I will build my Church'

Can you find some stones and paint your own picture to remind you that Jesus said Peter is the rock. Acrylic paint is best for painting stones, or you could use 'sharpies' if you have some.

'I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of heaven'

In the Bible keys are symbols of power and authority. If you have lego, try creating some keys.



W	H	C	R	U	H	C	R	J	I
N	H	S	T	E	H	P	O	R	P
L	O	O	S	E	D	H	C	C	P
H	H	I	I	J	N	A	K	H	I
S	A	Y	T	P	E	T	E	R	L
E	J	A	P	S	H	J	Y	I	I
L	I	H	A	P	E	A	S	S	H
F	L	R	B	E	A	U	N	T	P
S	E	T	A	G	P	H	Q	O	E
A	J	H	A	I	M	E	R	E	J



- CAESAREA
- PHILIPPI
- QUESTION
- JOHN
- ELIJAH
- JEREMIAH
- PETER
- CHRIST
- JONAH
- ROCK
- CHURCH
- GATES
- KEYS

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for your son Jesus, the Messiah. Helps us to trust in you and to tell others about Jesus amazing love. Amen