

April 12, 2026, Week 2

Bible Story: On the Road to Emmaus • *Luke 24:13-35*

Bottom Line: You can have joy because there's a bigger story.

Monthly Memory Verse: *Always be joyful because you belong to the Lord. I will say it again. Be joyful!* • *Philippians 4:4 NIV*

Bigger Story Joy

Talk about God | Bible Story Review

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What You Need:

- Bible
- "Bigger Story Road" Activity Page
- "Bigger Story Puppets" Activity Page
- Coloring supplies

What You Do:

- Tell the kids that you're going to share the first part of today's true story from the Bible with them. Read *Luke 24:13-19* out loud to the group.
- Invite the kids to color their road and people cutouts.
- Show them how to use the slit in the "Bigger Story Road" Activity Page to make the puppets "walk" along the road.
- Retell the story simply while the kids move their puppets:
 - "Two friends were walking and sad." (*Move two friend puppets.*)
 - "Jesus came and walked with them, but they didn't know it was Him!" (*Add Jesus puppet.*)
 - "Jesus told them the BIG story of how God loves us."
 - "They ate dinner together, and suddenly, the two friends knew it was Jesus!"
 - "They were so happy! They ran all the way back to tell their friends!" (*Move puppets fast back down the road.*)

What You Say:

"You did a great job telling the story! The friends were sad because they only saw a small part of the story, which was that Jesus had died. So, all along the way, Jesus explained that. He explained how everything written in Scripture by Moses and the prophets pointed to Him and what He was doing.

"How incredible would that be to have Jesus Himself explain God's big story to you? Jesus showed them the bigger story—that He was rescuing everyone! **[Bottom Line] You can have joy because there's a bigger story.**"