



Growing FAITH at home

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR B

The risen Jesus sends us out to witness.



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CONVERSATIONS

Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

1. Share your ideas about the word trust. What does it mean? Is it important? Who is someone you trust? Who do you listen to?
2. Jesus calls himself our Good Shepherd. What does this mean? What does it mean for you?
3. How do we listen to Jesus' voice? How can we grow to know him better?



BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week.
Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

S	John 10:11-18	The Good Shepherd
M	Acts 4:5-12	Peter and John before the council
T	1 John 3:16-24	Love one another
W	Genesis 48:8-21	God has been my shepherd
T	Ezekiel 34:11-24	God will look after God's sheep
F	Mark 6:30-34	Jesus, the compassionate shepherd
S	Psalms 23	The divine shepherd

VERSE OF THE WEEK

"I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep."

JOHN 10:14-15



CREATIVE RESPONSE

Read John 10:11-18 or read about Jesus as the Good Shepherd in a storybook Bible.

Talk about what it means to listen to Jesus' voice and to follow him as sheep of the Good Shepherd.

Play a game of "Follow the Leader."

Blindfold all the followers and have the leader guide them using only his or her voice.

Jesus says that other sheep will be added to his flock and they will listen to his voice.

Reflect on how you listen to Jesus' voice today.

Close with the Lord's Prayer.



ACTION RESPONSE

Psalms 23 is one of the most familiar passages in the Bible. It speaks to people in all times and in all places. It's a great psalm to memorise and one that reminds us that God gives us all we need. How can you share with others the things God has given you?



MEALTIME PRAYER

Jesus, our Good Shepherd, thank you for feeding us, protecting us and loving us. May we always listen to you and follow you. Amen.



PRAYER

Jesus, our Good Shepherd, thank you for being with us, especially when we are going through difficult times. Amen.



BLESSING

May God's kindness and love be with you each day of your life, and may you live forever with the Lord.