

I am Prepared to Share the Gospel

We are God's coworkers. 1 Corinthians 3:9

Things you'll need:

- Jar or bowl
- Bag of multi-colored jellybeans that include red, green, yellow, orange, black, white, purple, and pink
- Bible

Faith Talk:

How can I share the Gospel with my children, AND how can I teach them to share the Good News with others?

The Gospel is not hard to understand. We may have difficulty explaining the Trinity or understanding how God created everything from nothing, but the Gospel message is both simple and clear.

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

Because God loved, He gave His Son. When we believe in Him, we receive life.

Salvation can be explained using jellybeans. Use the following guide to tell the gospel story.



In the beginning was Holy God. He created us, and He loves us. (white jelly bean)

But our disobedience to loving God has separated us from Him, and our disobedience has to be punished. **(black jelly bean)** Romans 3:23, "For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard."

But God loved us so much, He wanted us back! He sent His only Son, Jesus, to make a way available. Jesus paid the price for our sins by dying on the cross. (red jelly bean) 1 John 1:7, "the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin."

He was crucified; He was buried; and that was "the end"...until the sun came up on the third day. **(yellow jelly bean)**

1 Corinthians 15:3, "that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures."

Jesus was alive again! **(green jelly bean)** Luke 24:6, "He is risen from the dead!"

Jesus took my punishment and invites me to trust in Him. When I accept His free gift, I become a child of the King. **(purple jelly bean)** John 1:12, "But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God."

When I understand how much Jesus loves me, I am so happy! (tickled pink jelly bean) Ps. 28:7, "The Lord is my strength and shield. I trust him with all my heart. He helps me, and my heart is filled with joy. I burst out in songs of thanksgiving."

"Orange" you glad Jesus loves you? (orange jelly bean)

Using the jellybeans, practice telling the Gospel story. Keep a set in a bag and use it when you share God's love story with others.

Who can you tell this week?