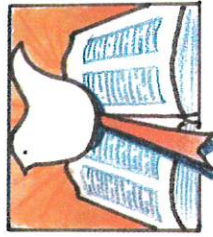


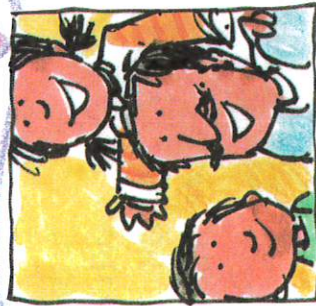
# explaining GOD'S WORD



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## Family Page

Jesus promised that he would be with us always — and he is. It takes a little practice, but your family can learn to recognize him in the people and things around you. Here are some ideas.



**1** Take a “God walk” together around your neighborhood. Select special places to walk where God’s gifts are most apparent: the playground, a nearby park or zoo, your own street, a country lane, or a woodland trail.

**2** As you walk, see how many signs of God’s love you can find. Try to remember them for the next part of the project.

**3** Have each member of the family make a small booklet by folding several sheets of paper in half. On the cover of the booklets, write I MET JESUS TODAY. On each of the inside pages, write the name of someone who represents Jesus’ love in your life. List on that person’s page all the things he or she does that makes you think of Jesus.

**4** Save your “Jesus Books” to look at whenever you forget that Jesus’ love can be seen through the love of others.

Answer to “What do you see here?” in next week’s Explaining God’s Word.



## Do You Recognize This Man?



# “Where Is Jesus Now?”

Jesus rose on Easter to be with you forevermore. But do you ever wonder, when things are going wrong: “Where is Jesus now?”

This week’s gospel story tells about two men who wondered the same thing: “Where is Jesus now?”

After he died on the cross and rose again from the dead, Jesus was very close to his friends, even when they didn’t know it.

When two of his friends were walking from Jerusalem to Emmaus, they talked together about Jesus, whom they loved very much. “Where is Jesus now?” they wondered.

A stranger fell in step with them, “What are you talking about?” he asked. “We are speaking of Jesus,” they said. “He came in love but died on the cross.”

Then the stranger began to tell them stories from the Bible. Before they knew it, they were in Emmaus.

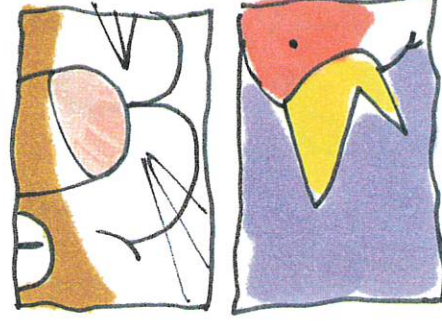
“Come eat with us,” they asked him. When they sat down to eat, they knew — this was no stranger at all. It was Jesus, whom they loved. Then they looked again — and he was gone.

“We should have known,” they said, for he explained the Bible just as Jesus had always done. They went right back to Jerusalem to tell the others JESUS is truly alive!

So now you know the answer, Jesus is with you always.



**WHAT**  
**DO YOU**  
**SEE**  
**HERE?**



The men on the road to Emmaus saw Jesus, but they didn’t recognize him. Do you know the difference between seeing and recognizing? Here are four pictures of things that help you to recognize God’s love in your life. I know you can see them, but can you recognize them? The answers will be in next week’s issue.

