In the Beginning...Jesus

Lesson 32
Jesus: Son of Man

Themes
- Jesus became fully human.
- Jesus became fully human to save the people of Abraham, the children of Abraham.
- Jesus' family tree fulfills the Old Testament promises.

Scripture:
Luke 2:40; Matthew 8:24; John 4:6; 11:35; 19:28; Hebrews 2:16-17a

Memory Verse:
John 1:13 (and review verses 1-12)

Jesus Fulfilled These Old Testament Clues:
GOD'S IMAGE BEARER, ABRAHAM—ONE MAN BLESSING THE WORLD, ISRAEL—GOD'S CHOSEN NATION, LION OF JUDAH

Home and Heart:
God created the first man, Adam, in His own image and likeness (Genesis 1:26-27). All of us are descendents of Adam. How are we like Adam? Jesus was also a descendent of Adam. How was Jesus like Adam, and us? Can you think of examples from the Bible? Is it hard for you to imagine Jesus as a real Person? Why? Why is it important to know Jesus was fully human? Read and discuss Hebrews 4:15. How does the fact that Jesus became human, like us, make Him able to sympathize with our weaknesses?

At baseball games, sometimes a team will use a pinch-hitter. Maybe a certain player strikes out every time he comes to bat. His team is losing and really needs another run. The coach may decide to use a pinch-hitter—another player who comes in to bat in place of the player who strikes out. Would the coach use a dog for this? Or a plant? Or an elephant? Why not? Read Hebrews 2:14-17a. Why do humans need someone like a "pinch-hitter"? What have we continually failed to do? [Keep God's commands.] Why would God choose to send Jesus, as a real human, to save His people? What did Jesus come to do for His people (verses 14b-15)?

Read the account of Jesus praying before His death (Luke 22:39-44). In what ways do you see Jesus' humanity in these verses? What words show He had real feelings and emotions? Can you relate to these feelings? Have you felt troubled? Have you struggled to do what you know is right? How can it help you to know that Jesus has experienced these same kinds of things, yet never sinned? Read and discuss 2 Corinthians 1:3-5. Why is Jesus able to sympathize and comfort people who have real suffering and pain? What was He able to also experience in His own human body?



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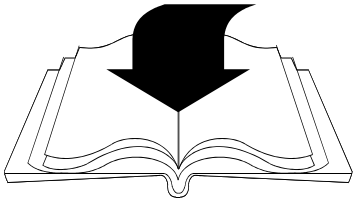

MARK

This week, read from the gospel of Mark, making a check mark in the empty square next to each passage as you read it. Think about how Jesus was the "Son of Man"—fully human like us. How did Jesus' being human help Him sympathize with our weaknesses, as Hebrews 4:15 states? Look for ways Jesus demonstrated He was God's Son. What was He able to do that no other human could do?

MARK 1:9-45	
MARK 2:1-17	
MARK 4:21-43	
MARK 6:1-6	
MARK 14:32-42	
MARK 15:33-37	

List some ways Jesus was fully human like you:

List some ways Jesus was unlike any other human: