Circle the hidden items on the page: two birds; the moon; the letters B, O, R, and N. Count the stars. Then, color the picture.
Nicodemus Meets Jesus at Night – Puzzle (Younger Elem.)

Copy the page onto dark blue card stock. Use a white colored pencil to color the moon and stars. Highlight other items in the picture.
Copy the page onto dark blue card stock. Use a white colored pencil to color in the letters.

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John 3:16, CEB
Cut the strips apart and tape them together to form one long strip. Then, roll the strip into a tiny scroll. Put the scroll into a balloon and blow it up. Next, draw a large heart on the balloon using a permanent marker.

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Make a Pretzel – Snack

What You Need:
Nitrile gloves, cooling rack, wax paper, microwave-safe bowl, cooking spray, large cooking sheets, brush, measuring cups, measuring spoons, oven, microwave

Ingredients:
Several cans of refrigerated pizza crust, baking soda, several eggs (beaten), water, coarse salt

Step 1: Heat the oven to 375°F. Spray the large cooking sheet with cooking spray. Put on a pair of nitrile gloves. Unroll the dough. Make balls of dough in the palm of your hand, one for each kid in your class. Have the kids roll the dough into a long, "snake" shape on sheets of waxed paper. Offer them nitrile gloves if they wish.

Step 2: Use the pictures above as a guide for finishing the pretzel shape. Pretzels kind of look like arms crossed like a hug!

Step 3: Make a mixture of water and baking soda. Each pretzel will require 1/4 cup of water to a teaspoon of baking soda. Heat the water uncovered on high in a microwave-safe bowl until boiling. Add baking soda and stir until dissolved. Brush the pretzels with the soda mixture. Let the pretzels stand at room temperature for 5 minutes.

Step 4: Brush the pretzels with the beaten egg and sprinkle them with salt. Transfer the pretzels to cookie sheets. Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until golden brown.
Jesus and Nicodemus
John 3:1-21

Some of the Jewish leaders were not pleased with Jesus. Jesus was doing and saying things that they did not like.

But one of the leaders wanted to learn more from Jesus. Nicodemus came to see Jesus at night. Nicodemus said, “Teacher, we know that you come from God.”

Jesus said, “Unless you are born again, you cannot see God’s kingdom.”

Nicodemus was confused! How can someone be born more than once?

“How can a person be born again?” Nicodemus asked.

Jesus said, “You are a teacher in Israel, but you don’t understand what I mean?”

“Being born in a body is one thing. To be born through God’s Spirit is another. This is why God sent the Son of God to the world. To show the world that God loves them.”

FAMILY DEVOTION

Nicodemus came to talk with Jesus at night. For this week’s devotion, turn off the lights and read the Bible passage by candlelight!

• Why did God send Jesus (the Son) into the world?
Class is almost over, so enjoy some free time before it’s time to go!

Carmen, do you want to join us?

No thanks!

Hey, we’re playing a game if you want to play too.

No, I’m okay.

Carmen, aren’t you lonely over here by yourself?

Huh? Oh no! Sometimes I just like to spend time with me!