

Kid Vid Day 4

Today we will watch a special story about another real kid just like you! I want to tell you upfront it is a story with some sadness in it. But it is also a story of incredible hope.

Jesus' Power Lets us Live Forever! (Trust Jesus)

Today's verse comes from Romans 8:11 and it says, "The Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you."

All week at Rocky Railroad we've been learning about Jesus' power. The same power that raised Jesus from the dead lives in you! That's incredible news! That means you can live knowing that when you believe in Jesus, obey his commandments, and stay plugged into the power source of his grace, you can live with him forever in heaven.

Today you'll meet a boy names Isaac, who had a sad thing happen in his family. Isaac's brother, Joel died from a disease called cancer. That doesn't happen very often, especially to kids it's not something you need to be afraid of or worry about.

Joel was a friend of Jesus. Isaac and his family miss Joel, but they also have great hope that they will see him again in the most wonderful, beautiful place of all – heaven – where they can enjoy perfect love and friendship with Joel and Jesus forever!

Let's watch and see how Isaac is hopeful to see his brother in heaven someday.

Watch Kid Vid Video Day 4

Thank you for watching this video with me today. I think it's normal to feel a little sad after watching a video about a boy who died. But there is a lot of hope in this story. Joel loved Jesus, and Jesus has promised that those who die in his friendship will live forever, with him in heaven! Joel is not sick anymore, and he doesn't have to deal with treatments for his cancer. Jesus wants Joel and all of us to be in heaven with him someday when we die.

Remember the sacrament we talked about on Day 1 (Baptism) Today we learn about another wonderful Sacrament that Jesus gave us to help us stay plugged into his power source of his grace – his Divine life within us: the Sacrament of Reconciliation! In Baptism, Original Sin was washed away from us, and all personal sin, if we had any, if we were baptized later in life. That put us in the state of sanctifying grace, of intimate friendship and closeness with Jesus. By our sins, the wrong choices we make, we can weaken or even separate ourselves from that close relationship with Jesus. But God gives us the Sacrament of Reconciliation to help us experience his forgiveness anytime we need it. All we have to do is go to Reconciliation with hearts that are ready to change and do better, confess our sins, trust in Jesus' mercy; and our friendship with his is instantly healed. We are plugged right back into the power source of his grace that lets us live forever! What an incredible gift!

What does the word forever mean to you?

Because of Jesus. It's possible for Isaac's brother, Joel, and all who die as friends of Jesus live with him right now! And we can do the same someday! It's okay to be sad when someone dies, but it's so great that the sadness won't last forever. But life with Jesus will last forever!

What do you think heaven will be like?

I love what Isaac said about heaven: that he'll be able to give his brother a "grand old hug." That's the hope that we have in our hearts for Isaac, for Joel, and for all our loved ones who have died whom we hope to see again someday. And that we'll all know Jesus and praise and worship him together.