

Proving who you are

Hello, Who am I? That might seem like a silly question, but sometimes we are asked to show identification to prove who we are. For instance, I might need to show a passport or a driving license or birth certificate to prove my identity. Some jobs might make me show a certificate that gives me authority to teach or work in a certain field. These items would all prove who I am and would prove that I can do what I want to do.

But what about Jesus? Do you think He had a driver's license or a passport? Not exactly... but he did prove His identity and his authority in the world. While he was living on earth, Jesus did amazing miracles, and He told his disciples about who he was and what he had come to do. Even then, people didn't always believe or understand the things he told them about himself. Even his signs and miracles didn't seem to sink in fully.

After Jesus died and came back to life, he came to the disciples again, and he had to prove himself! At first, the disciples were terrified; they thought He was a ghost or something. But then Jesus reassured them; he showed them the scars in his hands and feet. He asked for something to eat... ghosts don't eat food! It truly was Jesus.

Then he reminded the disciples, again, of all the things he had tried to explain before. It must have seemed to them like the puzzle pieces finally fit together. Jesus truly did do all that he had promised. He had authority from God... and he was passing that on to them, as well. Jesus gave the disciples an important task to spread the love of God to all around them.

We have that special task, too! We have the joy of sharing that with others. That might mean sharing the words of Jesus with other people; or it might just mean caring for them and shining the light of Christ through our joyful attitudes. However we do it, we know that Jesus is with us.

Why don't you make a ID for Jesus and then turn it into a puzzle for someone else to solve?

