

# Memorial Day

## We Remember People Who Died For Us

*Joshua 4; John 15:13*

On Memorial Day, we remember people who've served each of us by protecting our country. And we remember the sacrifices of people who died protecting our country.

Think silently about someone who made a sacrifice for you. Maybe it's something small, like letting you have the last brownie. Or maybe it's something bigger, like a friend who gave you his favorite toy.

In the Bible, people sometimes used a pile of stones to remember something special. In Joshua 4, God helped the Israelites get across the Jordan River. To remember what God did for them, the Israelites made a pile of 12 stones by the river.

Let's make something to help us remember the sacrifices you thought of just now.

### Rock Craft:

Go outside and find a rock! Bring it inside and wash & dry it. Make a cross on your rock using either a sharpie marker or paints.

This rock will help us remember the people who died for us, who made a great sacrifice to keep our country safe. It helps us remember that Jesus also gave his life for us.



### Flag Craft:

Supplies: paper for drawing or an American Flag coloring page (see below), markers, colored pencils or crayons

Draw the U.S. flag on a piece of paper or print the flag on the next page. Write "**We Will Not Forget**" on your paper. Color in the flag with red, white, and blue. You can also write the names of people that you know who died in the line of duty in the stripes of the flag. Display the flag in the window to appreciate veterans and families of people who died in combat.

### Let's Pray:

*"Jesus, thank you that you gave up your life for us. And thank you for all the other people who died so that we could be free. Help us remember and celebrate people who made that sacrifice. In your name, Amen."*

