

# Kidmin Lesson for *Quinn Says Goodbye* By Christie Thomas

**Big Idea:** There will be no goodbyes in heaven.

## Lesson Materials

1. Book: [Quinn Says Goodbye](#) by Christie Thomas
2. Video (example below) or pictures to introduce fireflies

## Procedure

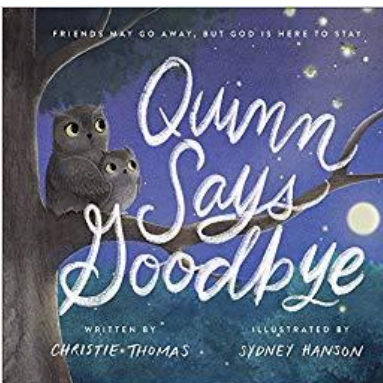
1. Video Attention Getter: "Today's story introduces a firefly named Blink. What is a firefly?" (It is a flying beetle, also called a lightning bug, whose glowing abdomen can be seen at twilight on summer evenings.) Since fireflies are regional, this video is a great introduction, or a cute attention getter: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKR\\_QkQCStw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKR_QkQCStw)
2. Ask and Discuss:
  - a. Raise your hand if you have ever...lost a pet? ...had someone you love move away or die? ...moved to a new town or school? (It is "dangerous" to allow stories here.)
  - b. When you said goodbye to someone or something you loved, how did you feel?
3. Set Purpose for Reading: "We are going to read a story called *Quinn Says Goodbye*. When I am finished reading, I want you to tell me how Quinn felt when Blink left, and what made Quinn feel better."
4. Read: *Quinn Says Goodbye*
5. Discuss: How did Quinn feel when Blink left? (sad, confused, angry) How could you tell she was sad? (she cried, flew off) What made her feel better? (knowing God is always with her, her mom's support)

## Make it Personal

Quinn was sad and cried when Blink left. Have you ever cried when a family member, pet, or friend went away? Do you know there is a place where there will never be crying or sadness or pain? A place where you will never have to say goodbye? Can anyone tell me where that is? (Heaven)

## Bible Verse Connection

1. Read and Discuss: Revelation 21:3-4.
2. Discuss: How do you get to heaven? (Through Jesus – John 3:16, John 14:6)
3. Invite: If relevant, transition to a salvation invitation.



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## Optional Follow-Up Activities

See the post for examples and links.

1. [Create a glowing firefly.](#) (See example in post.)
2. [Direct a drawing of an owl.](#) I included a step-by-step guide and example the post.
3. [Sing about heaven.](#)

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