

PARENT GUIDE - October 24th

Elementary Bible Story: Jonah and the Huge Fish (Jonah 1-3)

Preschool Bible Story: The Sun and Moon Stand Still (Joshua 10:7-14)

Materials Needed: Bible or Bible App



LET'S PLAY

Use this time to gather together those in the family that want to participate and get everyone relaxed and talking. THE GOAL is to simply connect and have fun as a family!

CREATE secret handshakes.

- MAKE a secret handshake for the members of your family to do.
- It can be as simple or as difficult as your family wants to make it.
- Here are some examples:
 - Clap, shake hands, clap
 - Clap, pat legs, high-fives with both hands
 - Shake hands, hop, clap, high-five

LET'S WATCH

Watch today's Elementary and/or Preschool video on our website or on our YouTube channel. Then, print the Coloring Pages and download the Activities to complete as you discuss the message as a family.

PARENT TIP: As you discuss the message, keep your kids engaged by coloring, passing a basketball, etc. as you have a conversation. Moving their body while talking might help them focus.

Preschool Discussion:

- Did God make the sun and the moon stand still? (Yes!)
- Can you think of anything that God has given you?
- Can you think of a time when God helped you like He helped Joshua?

Elementary Discussion:

- Do you think there's anything that could happen to you that would surprise God?
- How can you know God is in control?
- How does knowing that God is in control help you every day?
- How can you remind yourself that God is in control when you are feeling worried?

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LET'S READ

Together, look up this verse in a Bible or on a Bible App.

PARENT TIP: Take this time to teach your child how to look up a book, chapter and verse in the Bible. Show them the Table of Contents to help learn the order of the books in the Bible.

SAY: Let's look up and learn this verse together!

Preschool: Hebrews 11:6

"...believe that God is real and that He rewards everyone who searches for Him."

Elementary: Hebrews 11:6

"But without faith no one can please God. We must believe that God is real and that He rewards everyone who searches for Him."

Take turns repeating the Bible verse, using a fun voice or silly movement as you say it.

SAY: As we search through the Bible, we can solve mysteries that help us know God is real! Our reward is that we get to know more about God and who He is.

LET'S PRAY

As a family, take time to share what you would like prayer for. Talk about what or who you are each thankful for and thank God for them. THE GOAL is for your family to freely share in struggles and thankfulness. Then, together, you can humbly take it all to God in prayer.

PARENT TIP: Keep it short and sweet for your Preschoolers. If your child is not ready to share or pray, take this time to model prayer to them.

Preschool Prayer:

Dear God, it is so cool that you made the sun and moon stop in the sky. I know you can do anything! Thank you for everything you give me. I love you! In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Elementary Prayer:

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At this age, encourage your child to tell God whatever is on their heart. Encourage them to speak to God in all circumstances and know that God will always love and listen to them.