

PARENT CORNER

weekly

TODAY: SEPTEMBER 20-21

Bible Story: Samson *Judges 13-16*

Big Idea: I can always trust God

Focus: I can always trust God's faithfulness

Memory Verse: "Lord, those who know you will trust in you. You have never deserted those who look to you." *Psalms 9:10 (NirV)*

Bible Story Summary:

Read and meditate on Judges 13-16, 2 Timothy 2:13; Lamentations 3:22-23; 1 John 1:9

God raised up a leader named Samson during the time the Israelites were oppressed by the Philistines. Samson was dedicated to God from birth and chosen to help deliver the Israelites from the Philistines. Samson turned from God's plans and did things his own way. He fell in love with Delilah. Delilah worked with the Philistines to discover Samson's great strength. Samson ended up captured, but God ultimately used him to destroy the Philistine leaders. God was faithful to what He said He would do.

He Question: Can anything change God's faithfulness to His people?

God keeps His promises, no matter what. Because He loves His people so much, He does allow consequences for sin.

We Question: What can we do when we are not faithful to God?

When we mess up, we can choose to either continue to do things our own way or we can choose to ask God for forgiveness and turn back to Him.

Me Question: How is God inviting me to respond?

Kids will be given the opportunity to reflect on the truth they learned about God and respond accordingly.



As you get your child ready to leave for school, ask your child to look outside at the sunrise. Remind your child that every morning the sun rises. No matter what happened the day before, the sun always rises each morning. They can trust the sun to rise every morning. Explain to your child that the sunrise is similar to God's faithfulness. Just like they can trust that the sun will rise each morning, they can also trust that God is always faithful.

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WEEK 3

God TIME

DAY 1

READ *Psalms 9:10 (NirV)*

This is the memory verse for the month of September! All month long we are learning that we can trust God.

The verse is written three times below. Two of the verses are written incorrectly, and one verse is written correctly. Read the three verses below and circle the one that correctly states the verse.

1. "Lord, those who know You will not trust in You. You have never deserted those who look to You." *Psalms 9:10 (NirV)*
2. "Lord, those who know You will trust in You. You have never deserted those who look to You." *Psalms 9:10 (NirV)*
3. "Lord, those who know You will trust in You. You have deserted those who look to You." *Psalms 9:10 (NirV)*

PRACTICE this memory verse as a reminder that you can always trust God.

DAY 2

READ "Even if we are not faithful, He remains faithful. He must be true to Himself." *2 Timothy 2:13 (NirV)*

This week you learned what it means to walk by faith. Walking by faith means trusting that God is good, God loves you, and God has plans for you. When we choose to follow and obey Him, things always go better. But, because we don't always make the wise choice, there will be times when we choose to do things our way instead of God's way. When we do that, we can either continue to choose our own way or we can choose to stop, ask God for forgiveness, and turn back to Him. He will forgive us and will always be faithful to us, even when we aren't faithful to Him.

What is one way you have seen God's faithfulness to you lately? Write it on the foot as a reminder that you can always trust God's faithfulness.



KNOW that you can always trust God's faithfulness

DAY 3

READ Judges 13-16 (NirV)

In the Bible story this week, you learned about Samson. God had amazing plans for Samson. God set him apart to lead the Israelites to freedom from the Philistines. But over time, Samson turned away from God's plans. He was unfaithful to God. Even though Samson was unfaithful to God, God was always faithful to him. God never stopped loving Samson, and He was faithful and kept His promise to Samson.

Ask a parent or sibling to play a game with you. Then, find some paper and markers. Take turns playing Hangman by using the following words from this week's Bible story.

Samson
faithfulness
promise

Delilah
Philistines
strength

BE THANKFUL that you can always trust God's faithfulness

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

parent CUE:

We want to let you know that we have an amazing opportunity for you and your child. We are learning the importance of giving (tithing) in UpTown. For many years the kids in UpTown have been caring for children through Compassion International and Forgotten Children Worldwide. We are currently sponsoring a boy named John that lives in Tanzania and a girl named Akeelo that lives in Uganda.

Our support will provide John and Akeelo with:

- Food to combat malnutrition
- Health care and immunizations
- Education and income generating skills
- The Gospel message and spiritual guidance
- The love and support of the church staff

Every week during Studio24 and Clubhouse, your child will have the chance to give an offering to help sponsor John and Akeelo. We pray that you will partner with us in this. Learning to have a heart of generosity will help your child grow to have a heart like Jesus.

DAY 4

READ "But God is faithful and fair. If we confess our sins, He will forgive our sins. He will forgive every wrong thing we have done. He will make us pure." 1 John 1:9 (NirV)

You probably have several people who are faithful to you, but none of them are probably faithful all the time. As hard as they try, they probably have lied to you, said something mean to you, or not been there for you at some point. Being faithful can be really hard! It's hard to always trust others, love others, and be there for others.

Even though other people may be unfaithful to you, you can trust that God is always faithful. He loves you so much! He has great plans and promises for you. He has never stopped being faithful, and He never will stop.

Think about one way God has been faithful to you. Then take a moment and pray to God. Thank Him for always loving you and for always being faithful. You can also ask God to forgive you for a reason that you have been unfaithful. He will forgive you, and He will be faithful to you.

PRAY and thank God for His faithfulness

at a GLANCE



Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping

September 27-28 2nd Grade
October 4-5 1st Grade
October 11-12 Kindergarten
October 18-19 4th Grade
October 25-26 3rd Grade



Ways to Earn Bible Bucks

Bring a friend 1 Buck
Bring your Bible 1 Buck
Recite Bible Verse .. 1 Buck
Do your GodTime ... 5 Bucks
UpTown Challenge . 20 Bucks

Child's Name: _____