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." Psalm 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.





DAY 1

READ "Lord, those who know you will trust in You." Psalm 9:10 (NIrV)

In the Bible story this week you learned about how strong Samson was. He was really strong!

To practice this month's memory verse, choose to do either sit-ups or push-ups. As you say each word of the verse, do one sit-up or one push-up.

Doing sit-ups or push-ups will help you become stronger, just like Samson, as you learn this month's memory verse.

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 that God is always faithful. Remember, when someone is faithful, they are loyal, reliable, and true to their word. There are many stories of people who were not faithful to Him throughout the Bible. Some people turned away from Him, worshipped other gods, made their own rules, and lived their way instead of God's way. Because of God's love for them, He forgave them and always stayed faithful to them.

God has always been faithful, and He will always be faithful. Think about one way that God has been faithful to you. Have a parent help you write it inside the foot, so it can be a reminder that you can always trust God's faithfulness. (Some examples: God always loves you, God is always with you, God never lies to you, God keeps His promises)



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 made him really strong, so he could defeat the Philistines. But Samson didn't always listen to God. He wasn't always faithful to God. Eventually Samson lost his strength. After Samson lost his strength, he asked for God's forgiveness, and God forgave him. God allowed him to be strong one more time, so he could defeat the Philistines.

Ask a parent or sibling to play a game with you. Then, find some paper and markers. Have your parent or sibling draw a picture of each word and see if you can guess the word from this week's Bible story.

Samson

Delilah God

Strong

BE THANKFUL that you can always trust

God's faithfulness

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

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)

Have you ever lied to someone? Or have you ever done something you weren't supposed to do? Everyone has moments like those. When you do things the way you want to, or on your own, you are being unfaithful to God.

The great news is that God will always love you...even when you do something you aren't supposed to do. He is faithful to you, even if you aren't always faithful to Him. When you ask God to forgive you, He will forgive you.

Take a moment to pray to God. Ask God to forgive you for a time you were unfaithful.

"Dear God, thank You for always loving me and for always being faithful to me. I'm sorry that I am not always faithful to you. Please . Help me remember to always love you and listen to you so I can be faithful to you. In Your name I pray, Amen."

PRAY and thank God for His faithfulness

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.

at a GLANCE



Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping

September 27-28 October 4-5 October 11-12 October 18-19 October 25-26

2nd Grade 1st Grade Kindergarten 4th Grade 3rd Grade

Ways to Earn Bible Bucks

Come to church 1 Buck

Bring your Bible 1 Buck

Recite Bible Verse .. 1 Buck

Do your GodTime ... 5 Bucks



Child's Name: