

DEVOTIONAL

for parents



It's easy to cheer when your team is winning, but it's a lot harder when things don't go the way you hoped. In this series, we'll learn what it means to stick with God's team through the good times and the hard ones, like when waiting feels long, things feel unfair, or we feel left out. As we hear stories from the Bible, we'll discover that following God, trusting God's promises, and helping one another are all part of showing real team spirit. This four week series from the Old Testament will help kids explore how **we can follow God's directions**, how **God gives hope when things feel impossible**, how **God is with us when life is unfair**, **another**.

Want to learn and grow alongside your kid as we go through this teaching series? You can! Spend a few minutes each week **studying** the passages of Scripture we'll be teaching, **praying** about what God wants to do in you and in your family, and **growing** by putting God's words into practice in your own life.

WEEK 1

We can follow God's direction.
Genesis 6:9-22, 7:11-16, 9:12-17

STUDY

Take a moment to read the passages we're covering this week.
What stands out to you in this passage and why?

PRAY

Pray and ask God to help you trust and follow God's direction.

GROW

So what's your next step? Is there something God is asking you to do, even if it doesn't fully make sense yet—like when Noah started building before the rain came? Is there a small step of obedience you've been putting off? How can you remind yourself of God's promises when following feels uncertain? Take that step, even if it feels uncomfortable. Then help kids do the same.

WEEK 2

God gives hope when things feel impossible.
Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-3, Ephesians 3:16-21

STUDY

Take a moment to read the passages we're covering this week.
What stands out to you in this passage and why?

PRAY

Pray and thank God for always keeping promises, and ask God to help you trust even when things feel impossible.

GROW

So what's your next step? Is there a situation where you need to rely on God's strength instead of your own? Is there a promise from God you need to hold onto, even if it feels delayed? How can you encourage someone else who feels stuck or discouraged right now? Take a step toward hope and encouragement today. Then help kids do the same.

WEEK 3

God is with us when life feels fair.

Genesis 37:5-11, 26-28, 39:20-23, Romans 8:35-39



STUDY

Take a moment to read the passages we're covering this week.
What stands out to you in this passage and why?



PRAY

Pray and ask God to remind you that you are never alone, even in the hardest moments.



GROW

So what's your next step? Is there a situation where you're tempted to give up because things don't feel fair? Is there a way you can keep showing up faithfully, like Joseph did even in difficult places? How can you encourage someone else who feels alone or discouraged right now? Take that step today. Then help kids do the same.

WEEK 4

God shows us we need each other.

Genesis 41:9-40, 42:1-8, 45:1-8, Ecclesiastes 4:9-12



STUDY

Take a moment to read the passages we're covering this week.
What stands out to you in this passage and why?



PRAY

Pray and ask God to help you build strong, honest relationships and to give you the courage to ask for help when you need it.



GROW

So what's your next step? Is there someone in your life you need to reach out to instead of trying to handle things on your own? Is there a relationship that needs healing or honesty, like Joseph reconnecting with his brothers? How can you choose connection over isolation today? Whatever your next step is right now, take it. Then help kids do the same.

WEEK 5

Trivia Sunday!

This Sunday, your child will go head to head with their friends to showcase how much they've learned in K.I.D.S. Ministry these past 6 months.