

PARENT NEWS!

Eaton Community Church
Wednesdays, 5:30 PM

ETCH Knight's Club
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Each week, parents can find notes and news here on the back of the verses. Check this each week, to make sure you're "in the know".

When to give your offering...

This year, the offering is being collected during the dinner time. Simply place it in the jar that is on the black platform during dinner.

This year our offering is going to an organization in Africa named RAFIKI. "Rafiki" means friend in the Swahili language and it provides Bible Teaching, gives kids an education, trains new school teachers, cares for orphans and helps widows find ways to support themselves. This year the whole of ETCH is participating in the offering project and everyone will share their offering sometime during the dinner time. Find out more by going to rafikifoundation.org.

Another way to support them is to go on their web site and purchase items MADE BY WIDOWS; the money you send goes to support the widow that made the item. Some of the items are beautiful!

WANT A LIST?

We have a list available of all the verses we'll be learning in this series. If you want a copy of all the verses so you can work ahead in learning them, feel free to ask for one.

HELP WITH SAFETY?

If you would like a place to serve but don't feel comfortable in a classroom, consider serving by watching out for safety issues each Wednesday night. See Miss Coleen to learn more.

Child's/Preteen's Name _____

KNIGHT'S CLUB

Knights for His Kingdom

DUE WEDNESDAY, October 6, 2021

ALL AGES AND GRADES:

(Youngest class learns underlined part only.)



Blessed are those who are sad.

They will be comforted.

Matthew 5:4 (NIRV)

Teaching: Bible Story: David grieving his sins

(II Samuel 11:27 – 12:13)

(Blessed are those who mourn)

Life Change: Loving God means that we tell others about Jesus' taking the punishment for their sins so their sins can be forgiven.

The goal is for our children to learn the verses for life. And if they know it for life, they will also be able to remember it well enough to get the points.

SIN CELEBRATED OR SIN SORROWED??

In our culture today, sin is often celebrated and is the subject of laughter and celebration in many movies. This is the opposite of God who mourns over our sin knowing the damage that sin does to us in so many ways. The closer we get to God, the more we see the sin around us – and in us – and the more we mourn over it.

Earn 400 Points!

...for being able to say every word and the Reference of this verse **easily and correctly.**

AT HOME GROWTH!

The majority of a child's spiritual growth happens at home, during the 90% of the time a child spends with his or her parents. God understands families and, from the beginning, He called all parents to be spiritual teachers to their children. Here are some ideas for activities your child can do at home to take them into God's Word, or to deepen their walk with God.

For each activity or reading that your child completes, and you sign off on, your child will **receive 100 points**, with a maximum possible 400 points. Extras of these will always be available on Sundays near the Children's Welcome Center. This is only one of the many ways a child can earn points.

For children too young to read, parents are welcome to read the Bible story or verses to their child and then sign off on it. Be sure to use a Bible with simple words for these little ones.

Don't be afraid to talk about the Bible story, to explain hard parts of it, or talk about what it means for us today. If you run into any questions that you find hard to explain, feel free to ask Miss Coleen.

What Kind of Bible should I use for the readings?

For children, it's best to use a Bible that the children can understand the most easily. If your child has an easy-to-understand Bible, it's best to use their own Bible. If they have a Bible that is not easy to understand, use a Bible storybook, or get another Bible. A brochure is available for parents that can help them find the best Bible for their child's age.

Activity # 1:

(100 Points)

Read Ezra 8:1, 9-10 and Ezra 10:1. After a long time of disobeying God, Ezra and the people were hearing again from God's Word how they should have obeyed God. It filled them with grief to see how wrong they had been and how far they had fallen from God. Have you ever cried because you felt so bad about your sin?

Parent's Signature: _____

Activity # 2:

(100 Points)

Read Psalm 51:1-12. After David sinned and was confronted for his sin, he confessed his sin to God and asked for forgiveness. The Bible gives us the very words that he said in Psalm 51. God has promised us that, if we confess our sin (admit what we did wrong) and repent (choose to do the opposite), He WILL forgive us!

Parent's Signature: _____

Activity # 3:

(100 Points)

Read II Corinthians 7:8-11. Paul had written a letter to a church because it looked like they were doing something wrong. The letter likely left people in tears, sorrowing that something so bad could have happened. Paul heard about their sorrow and said it was good kind of sorrow. Good sorrow leads us closer to God, bad sorrow leads us deeper into sin. What kind of sorrow do you usually have?

Parent's Signature: _____

Activity # 4: Godly sorry vs. World's sorrow!

(100 Points)

As soon as you get home, take a piece of bread, moisten it a little, then hide it in a dry dark place. Wait 3-4 days then remove it from the hiding place (you may want to wear gloves). Notice how yucky it looks! Worldly sorrow takes sin and hides it, thinking that it will go away by itself or that hiding it makes it not matter. Godly sorrow takes sin and shows it to God, asking for forgiveness. Talk together about how we handle our sins – are we showing godly sorrow or worldly sorrow? Then throw the bread away!

Parent's Signature: _____

CAN YOU WATCH OVER SAFETY FOR THE NEXT 6 WEEKS?

WANT TO JOIN OUR KNIGHT'S TEAM!

We care deeply about safety here, especially safety for our kids. If you could help by being vigilant and watchful, see Miss Coleen to find out more! want to be a part of a team that cares passionately about children and loves to make learning fun for kids, join our team for th next 6 weeks! Be an assistant with the kids, help with games, listen to kids say Bible verses, or any number of ways to help.

WATCHING OVER SAFETY

Pull out a rope (make sure it is a rope that is safe to use or get gloves to protect hands). Clear some furniture out of the way between 3 rooms or go to your yard and mark 2 lines 10 feet apart. Announce that two people will hold the rope and try to get the other person into a different space. One person should be signfiantly stronger than the other person. Have fun with this for a bit. But then, in one round of the game, the weaker person, instead of pulling, should run into the space behind their opponent, surprising them. Suddenly the opponent is in a different space!