

Use this guide to help your family learn how we can have faith in God.

First, watch this video:

https://bit.ly/KidsFocusJuneWeek1

Then follow up with the activity below!

MEMORY VERSE

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see." Hebrews 11:1, NIrV

LIFE APP

FAITH:

Trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see

BIBLE STORY

Faith Is... (Hebrews 11:1-12:3)

BOTTOM LINE

You can know Jesus even though you've never seen Him.

ACTIVITY: BY FAITH...

WHAT YOU NEED:

index cards, pen/pencil/marker

WHAT YOU DO:

Challenge everyone to see what they remember about today's Bible story. Together, see if your family can come up with one fact about the following people mentioned in the story: Noah, Abraham, Moses, and David. Then write each of those names on an index card. Place the index cards around the room, taping them to a wall or cabinet, and spreading them out as much as possible. Choose one person to read each of the facts below, while everyone else tries to be the first to slap the correct index card.

- By faith, this person left his home and went to a place God told him. (Abraham)
- By faith, this person built a boat to save his family. (Noah)
- By faith, this person defeated a giant. (David)
- By faith, this person's parents hid him for three months after he was born. (Moses)
- By faith, this person brought two of every kind of animal into the ark. (Noah)
- By faith, this king trusted God to keep him safe. He wrote, "The Lord is my shepherd. He gives me everything I need." (David)
- By faith, this person believed that God would give him more kids and grandkids than the stars in the sky. (Abraham)
- By faith, this person stood before Pharaoh and said, "Let my people go!" (Moses)

Talk about the Bible story:

- o The people in today's story didn't know how everything would turn out, but they knew Someone had a greater plan. Who was that Someone? (God)
- o There are things we can't see, but we know they're there—for example, air, the wind, or your heart. How do you know those things are there? (You can breathe air; you can feel the wind; you can feel your heart beat)
- o How can you get to know Jesus even though you've never seen Him? (Read the Bible, talk to someone who's older and believes in Him)

PRAYER

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible Story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for these stories of the faithful people who came before us. Help us to learn from them and discover how we can have faith and grow closer to You. Thank You for sending Your one and only Son to show us who You are, and to make a way for us to have a relationship with You. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen."





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Read Hebrews II:1

You Gotta Have Faith

Faith is trusting in what you can't see because of what you can see.

Grab a piece of paper, hold it up in front of you and blow. Did the paper move? Yes! Could you see the breath coming from your mouth that made that paper move? Nope. Can you believe that breath (something you couldn't see) exists because of what you COULD see (the movement of the paper).

We can believe in God and trust in Him because of all the wonderful things He's made. The evidence of His existence is all around us! Stand in front of the mirror and ask God to help you have faith as you look at all the amazing things He's made—including you!

What Do You Hope For?

Have you ever hoped for something? Like ...

- A new bike on your birthday
- A snow day
- A whole day when your brother leaves you alone?

When it comes to faith, hope is a big deal! But hoping isn't all we have. Unlike snow that never comes or a little brother who bugs you anyway, when we put our hope in God, we won't be disappointed! We can be sure that God is real.

Thank God for the hope and promise we have that He is real.

Emmanuel

What are some things you know about Jesus? Write your answers in the space below.

God sent Jesus, His only Son, to earth. Why? So that we could know Him. Jesus is called Emmanuel, God with us! He left heaven to come to earth so that we could know God. And He died on a cross and was raised back to life so that we could have a relationship with God forever. You can put all your trust and hope and faith in Him, always.

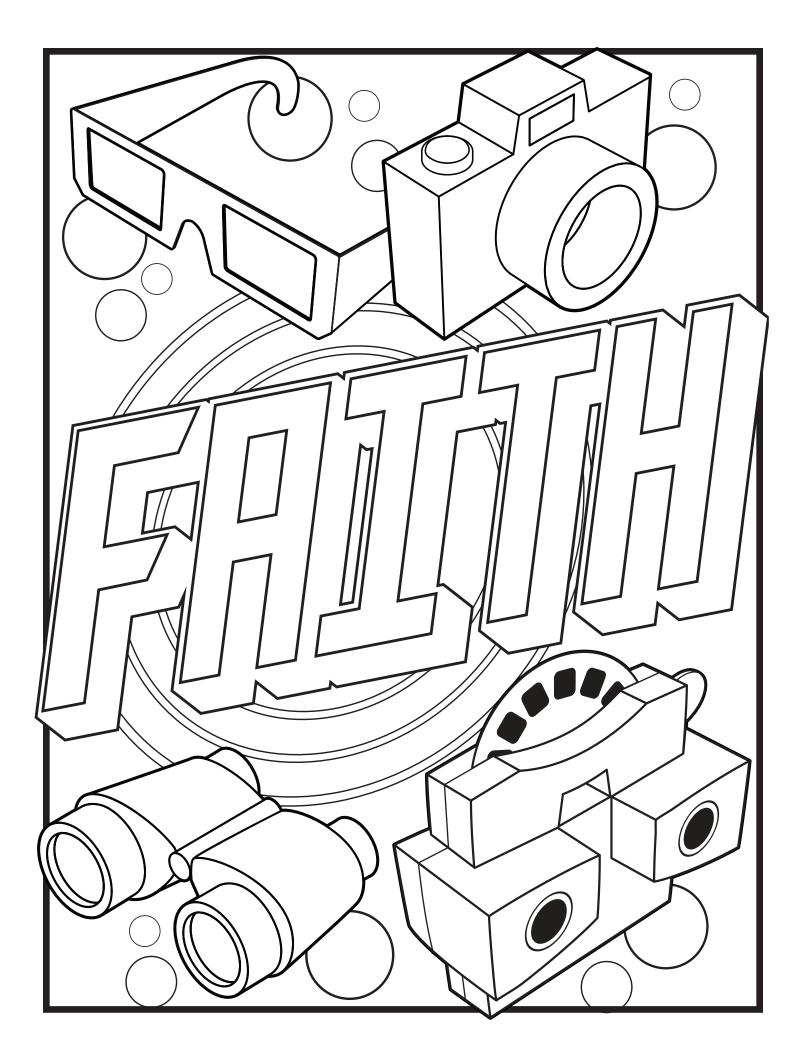
Thank God for sending Jesus so that you could know Him.

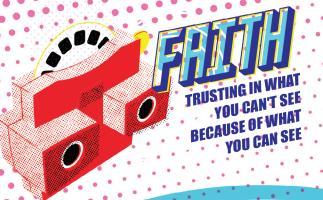
This is the Way

When your family is heading to a place you've never been before, does your mom or dad use GPS to help you get there? Do they ask Siri for directions? GPS is pretty cool because it can tell you step by step how to reach your destination.

Jesus said, I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. (John I4:6, NIrV) Jesus is the way. If we want to have a relationship with God forever, we have to put our faith and our trust in Jesus!

Draw a large cross on a piece of paper.
Then draw a big heart all the way around
the cross. When you pray today, thank God
for sending Jesus to make a way for us to
have a relationship with Him, forever.







READ 2 CORINTHIANS 5:7

DAY 1

It's hard to believe in things when we can't see them, but when you think about it, some of the best things are impossible to see. Unscramble these words that are things we can't see, but we believe exist.

VOEL

AHTE

OGD

WDNI

TGARYVI

ODLC

SLEMLS (well, some of these are good!)

In fact, if you've ever woken up to the smell of bacon, you know that you don't have to see something to believe it's there!

Know that Jesus is knowable!

ove • Heat • Lod • Wind • Gravity • Cold • Smells

READ 1 PETER 1:8-9

DAY 2

"Even though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not see him now, you believe in him. You are filled with a glorious joy that can't be put into words. You are receiving the salvation of your souls. This salvation is the final result of your faith." 1 Peter 1:8-9, NIrV

Re-read the verse above, and circle all of the nouns. Then underline the ones you can't see.

There should be two words that are circled but not underlined: "you" and "words." You can see yourself, and you can see written words, but you can't see Jesus. You can't see salvation, or even the joy that comes from knowing Jesus, but you sure can feel it and believe it's true!

Now try to write some words that you feel when you think about that love and joy that Jesus brings!

Thank Jesus for the joy He gives that is indescribable!

READ EPHESIANS 3:16-17

DAY 3

Get permission from an adult to take your GodTime outside today. Sit really still. What do you hear? What do you see? What do you feel? Is it a windy day? Do you see branches moving? Even if it's a still day, you can probably remember a really windy day and how it felt to have the wind hitting your cheeks.

One of the reasons you can know Jesus so well is because He sent the Holy Spirit to help you understand. When you put your trust in Jesus, the Holy Spirit becomes like a helper to you, to help you get to trust God no matter what and make wise choices. The Holy Spirit is kind of like the wind. You can't see it, but you can feel the effects. Like when you know you shouldn't do something or when you sense you should do something. That stirring in your heart is a reminder that even though you can't see Jesus, you can know Him.

Listen for that still, small voice that reminds you that Jesus is with you.

READ ROMANS 10:10

DAY 4

Try writing out Romans 10:10 using only emojis. (You can make up your own if you need to.)

There's one emoji you definitely didn't use \dots

That's because when it comes to putting your trust in Jesus, no seeing is required! All it takes is believing with your heart and telling Him with your mouth!

Know that you don't have to see Jesus to believe in Him.

