

VICTORY AT HOME

FEBRUARY 2020 PRESCHOOL



I CAN LIVE BY FAITH!

WEEK 1

HEAVEN'S HEROES OBEY GOD - HEBREWS 11, GENESIS 7-8

READ Hebrews 11 and Genesis 7-8 Today in VicKids we learned the story of Noah's Ark. Noah obeyed God and lived by faith when he built the ark as instructed by God.

EXPLORE TOGETHER Play with boats during bath time this week. Use either toy boats or use your imagination with anything plastic that floats. Place the items in the bathtub before the water is run, and watch them float as the water rises. Remind your child of Noah's story, and explain that God promised He would never again flood the entire earth. Repeat this out loud with your child, "I Can Live by Faith like Noah did".

Pray: Dear God, Thank You for Noah's example of living by faith. Help us to trust and obey You in all we do. We love You! In Jesus Name, Amen!

WEEK 2

HEAVEN'S HEROES PUT THEIR TRUST IN GOD - GENESIS 37-46

READ Genesis 37-46 This month we are learning that I Can Live by Faith just like many of Heaven's heroes from the Bible! Today we learned many bad things happened to Joseph, but he had faith that God was always with him.

EXPLORE TOGETHER This lesson provides an excellent opportunity to teach your child colors. Provide an assortment of different mediums with which your child may create (crayons, watercolors, sidewalk chalk, etc.). Name the basic colors with him or her, and have your child choose one color to use. Then show your child how mixing two primary colors (red, blue, and yellow) can create a new color. Use the different mediums to create pictures.

Pray: Dear God, thank You for Joseph's example of living by faith. Help us to trust that You are always with us even in bad times. We love You! In Jesus Name, Amen!

WEEK 3

HEAVEN'S HEROES SPEAK OUT FOR GOD - EXODUS 5-14

READ Exodus 5-14 This week in VicKids we learned Moses lived by faith by trusting God to help him lead the Israelites away from Pharaoh and through the Red Sea.

EXPLORE TOGETHER Set a large plastic container outside and fill it halfway with water. Remind your child that Moses had faith in God, and God spread apart the water so Moses and the Israelites could get across. Encourage your child to try to split the water in half. Allow a minute or two for your child to play in the water and try to part it. After he or she discovers it is impossible, remind your child that only God can part waters. Moses had faith in God, and He performed a miracle and did something no one else could do. Moses lived by faith, and so can we.

Pray: Dear God, thank You for Moses' example of living by faith. Help us speak up for You and help others. We love You! In Jesus Name, Amen!

WEEK 4

HEAVEN'S HEROES ARE LEADERS FOR GOD - JOSHUA 2

READ Joshua 2 All month long we learned that I Can Live by Faith, just like Heaven's heroes did! Today we learned about the faith of Rahab, who protected God's men from the soldiers.

EXPLORE TOGETHER Rahab showed great faith when she helped the two men God sent to her city. She played a large role in fulfilling God's plan for Israel. Find picture books at home or your local library of police officers, fire fighters, doctors, nurses, and other occupations whose job it is to help others. Explain to your child the role of each person, ask if he or she can think of anyone else who helps or has helped others. Remind him or her of Rahab's faith, and God wants us to be faithful and help others whenever we get a chance!

Pray: Dear God, thank You for giving Rahab the courage to help others. Thank You for the example of how to live by faith and help others! We love You! In Jesus Name, Amen!

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FEBRUARY 2020 ELEMENTARY



GUARD YOUR MIND!

WEEK 1

KNOW GOD - GENESIS 1:26-27, PSALM 139:13-14

READ: Genesis 1:26-27; Psalm 139:13-14; Romans 8:6-7. This week in VicKids your student learned that Jesus gives hope for all people because of what He did on the cross and continues to do today. Your student was reminded the more we know God, the more we can love and worship Him. Your student was challenged to thank God for creating us in such a unique and special way!

EXPLORE TOGETHER: We are all made in the image of God, and He created each of us with a mind capable of thought and emotion. We are able to understand and learn more about God and share Him with others because of our minds. Ask your child what he/she is learning in school. What is the hardest thing they have had to learn? What is the easiest? Share with them some of the things that were harder and easier for you to learn. Talk with them about the way God created our minds to be able to learn all those things, keep us alive, love others, and use these gifts to connect others to Jesus!

Pray: Lord, we thank You so much for your sacrifice and the family You have given us. My family and I ask that You would help us grow in the knowledge of who You are and what Your desires are for our lives. I pray that my family and I will continually seek after Your presence, spend daily time in Your Word and in communication with You. In Jesus name, we pray, Amen!

WEEK 2

GUARD YOUR MIND - COLOSSIANS 1:13-23, PROVERBS 4:23

READ: Colossians 1:13-23, 2:1-8; Proverbs 4:23; 2 Corinthians 10:4-6. This week in VicKids your student learned the Bible helps us know the truth when battling against wrong thoughts. He or she was reminded God's truth would guard their minds against wrong thoughts and Satan's lies. Your student was challenged to be aware of what is being put into his or her mind so that the right thoughts, words, and actions are produced.

EXPLORE TOGETHER: People all over the world are searching for the meaning of life. The only way to truly find your life's purpose is to study God's Word. The Bible teaches us how we should view the world and treat those around us. Ask your child what book he/she would look in to help with math homework (textbook) or to define a word? (dictionary). Now ask your child what book he/she would look in to answer a friend's question about evolution. Explain to them that even though they could look in a science textbook or even look up evolution on the Internet, the best place to find the truth is in the Bible. Could you help them find those answers?

Pray: Lord, we thank you so much for today and we thank you for your sacrifice. My family and I pray today that You would place a desire in our hearts for Your truth and knowledge. We know we have much to learn on how to guard our minds, and we want to do it with Your guidance and Your spirit. In Jesus name we pray, Amen!

WEEK 3

RENEW YOUR THOUGHTS - ROMANS 12:1-2, PHILLIPIANS 4:8-9

READ: Romans 12:1-2; Philippians 2:3-8, 4:8-9. This week in VicKids your student learned the Bible gives us verses to help us renew our thoughts. He or she was reminded that good thoughts lead to good words and actions. Your student was challenged to change his or her way of thinking so it is more like the way Jesus thinks.

EXPLORE TOGETHER: When we fully submit our lives to God, a process begins in which God transforms our minds to be more like His. To transform our minds, we have to take every thought captive and treat other people as God's children. Here is a great example of transformation. Bake a cake or cookies with your children. Have them take note of all the different ingredients that are going into the cake batter or cookie dough. When the cake/cookies are done and they are enjoying it, talk with them about how those ingredients transformed into this cake. By combining those good ingredients, they started a process that transformed the batter into a cake, or cookie dough into cookies. A similar process takes place when we spend time with God. Our minds and thoughts can also be transformed into something different and good!

Pray: Lord, I am grateful for the family you have blessed with me with. Today we come to You and thank You for righteousness, purity, and everything that is good which we can gain from knowing You. We pray today that when we have negative or deceiving thoughts, that You would show us the way in which we can take those thoughts captive, knowing that You are stronger than any of our thoughts. In Jesus name my family and I pray, Amen!

WEEK 4

FOCUS ON GOD'S TRUTH - COLOSSIANS 3:2, JOSHUA 1:8

READ: Colossians 3:2; Joshua 1:8; 1 Peter 1:13. This week in VicKids your student learned the Bible is filled with God's truths and can help us change our focus. He or she was reminded to meditate on God's words, who He is, and what He does. Your student was challenged to use God's Word to keep his or her focus on God's truth and apply it to their life.

EXPLORE TOGETHER: God created all things with a plan and purpose. As we use our minds to study God's Word, we begin to discover His plan for our lives and follow through with that plan. Draw out a map of your house or backyard. Hide a treat somewhere in your house or yard, and use the map to mark where your child should start and how he or she can find the treat. After the child has gone through the treasure hunt, talk with him or her about how the Bible is a map of God's will for your child's life. It teaches us how we should live in order to get to the prize at the end, eternal life.

Pray: Lord we thank you so much for today! My family and I come to You to today and we want to give You thanks for who You are and what You have done in our lives. We pray today that You will help us to have godly thoughts, but also godly actions. Jesus, we want to follow Your plans for our lives and we know we can't do it without You. My family and I thank You for guidance, love, grace and peace as we learn to be more like You! In Jesus name we pray, Amen!