



CLIMB Parent Resources

June 27 & 28, 2020

Peter Goes to the House of Cornelius

Our Bible story this week comes from Acts 10.

Family Games

Supplies: heart shape on floor

What You Do:

- Make a heart shape on the floor with tape, yarn, or whatever else you have.
- Instruct your kid(s) to take turns hopping into the heart as they answer the following questions.
- This should be quick-paced to keep kids engaged. Ask the question and invite kids to quickly jump into the heart, give an answer, then jump out.

- Questions:

Who loves you? (*mom, dad, grandparent, coach, teachers, aunt, uncle, best friend, family pet*)

What does someone do when they love you? (*hug you, compliment you, play with you, include you, help you*)

What's your favorite way to show someone you love them?

And/Or

Supplies: bed sheet

What You Do:

- Spread the sheet on the floor and space yourselves evenly around the edges. Sit down around the sheet.
- Show kids how to grip the edge of the sheet with both hands and keep it taut without pulling too firmly. Teamwork is key!
- Call out a series of motions, guiding kids to follow your commands:

Stand up

Sit down

Wiggle the sheet slowly, quickly, then slowly

Make a "wave" by going around the circle, taking turns raising and lowering the sheet.

Stand up

Raise the sheet above your heads, then lower it to the ground. Repeat twice.

Discussion suggestion after games:

"In our Bible story this week, we heard about a man who saw a sheet being raised and lowered for a special reason. Now let's learn more."

What We Do Not See

Supplies: bed sheet, foam balls (or anything light like a whiffle ball)

What You Do:

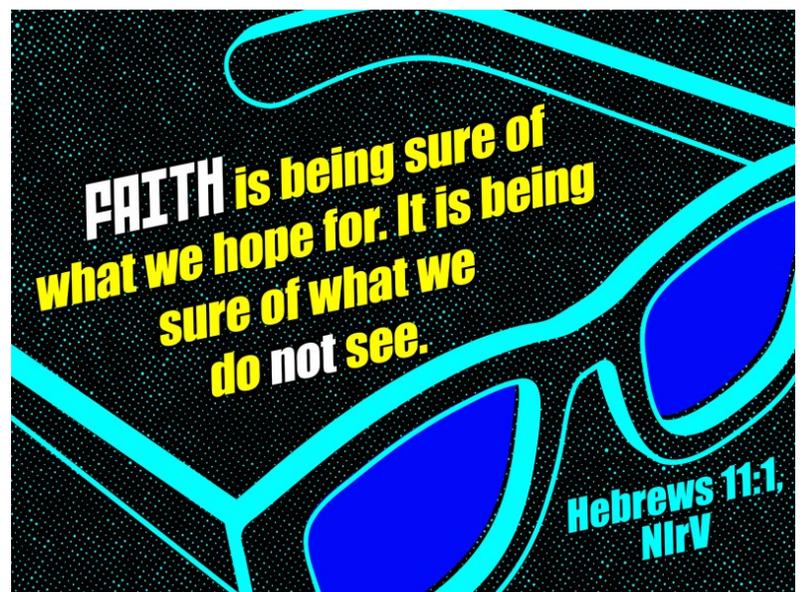
- Review the Memory Verse together as a family. Say it together a few times.
- Unpack the concept that “being certain of what we do not see” not only means that we trust that God has a special plan for us, but also that we can trust God with every part of our lives, even the parts that we don’t understand.
- Spread out the sheet and lead kids to space themselves evenly around it and sit down.
- Have everyone grab the edges of the sheet and pull it taut.
- Toss a ball onto the sheet.
- Lead your kid(s) to flutter, wave, and wiggle the sheet without allowing the ball to fall off.
- As they wiggle, lead them to say the verse in unison.
- Challenge kids to keep the ball on the sheet until they complete the verse.
- Repeat as time allows, adding a challenge by tossing additional balls onto the parachute for each round.

Discussion suggestion after activity

“When God told Peter to do something that seemed confusing at first, Peter trusted God and did what He told him to do. Peter had faith in God, and when he obeyed God, he understood that God’s plan was bigger than he could have imagined. He understood that the story of Jesus is for EVERYONE!

“Knowing and trusting Jesus changed the way Peter saw others, and **knowing Jesus changes the way you see others**, too. So, this week, try to see others the way that God sees them. And remember that the story of Jesus is for everyone!”

Check out the crossword puzzle as well for another fun activity with our June memory verse.



Simple Acts

Supplies: Personal-size tissues, plastic cups, water, thick watercolor markers OR watch <http://bit.ly/2urep0T> at 3:13 minutes.

What You Do for the experiment

- Give each kid a folded tissue. (If you're using regular-size tissues, instruct kids to fold the tissue in half, horizontally, then fold it into thirds, vertically.)
- Ask the kids to keep the tissue folded.
- Instruct them to use a thick watercolor marker to draw a fat line on the tissue, about half an inch from the bottom.
- Then, ask kids to flip the tissue over to the other side and repeat the process using the same watercolor marker.
- Instruct them to carefully open the tissue and make sure that the ink bled through all of the layers, forming one long line.
- Then, they refold the tissue.
- Next, give each kid a plastic cup filled about one-third of the way with water.
- Encourage the kids to follow you as you demonstrate how to gradually insert the tissue into the water just to the marker line. Watch as the marker color runs up the tissue.

Discussion suggestion after the experiment or video:

"It was amazing how a simple line drawn on the tissue changed how the entire tissue looked! In the same way, **knowing Jesus changes the way you see others**. When you know Jesus and His story, you understand that Jesus is for everyone, not just certain people. God made each and every person on earth, and He sent Jesus for each of those people, too.

"When we learn to see people like Jesus does, we can speak up for them and show them love, no matter if they are just like us or if they're super different from us. This might mean being kind to someone who gets on your nerves. It might mean sharing your toys with your sibling or helping a stranger by opening a door for them at a store. There are LOTS of ways you can show love to others."

Pray as a Family

Supplies: glasses (3-D, reading glasses, etc.), a magnifying glass (There are free apps for a smart phone that you can use for this if you don't have one at home), or anything with a lens

What You Do:

- Instruct kids to use the glasses or magnifying glass to look around and find things that look different than they usually do.
- They might have to take off the glasses and put them back on a few times to experience the differences.

Prayer example:

"When you looked through these lenses, everything appears different than normal, doesn't it? It can make some things look different. What you focus on changes what you see. **Knowing Jesus changes the way you see others.**

"As your relationship with and faith in Jesus grow, you start using your 'Jesus' lens to see others. Instead of ignoring someone that you think is different, difficult, or annoying, you might see an opportunity to be kind and loving toward them. Take a moment to think of two people you might need to see differently. Let's pray and ask God to change how you see them.

"Dear God, we are so grateful that You sent Your Son, Jesus, to die for every person You ever created so that they can have the opportunity for a relationship with You. Help us put on our 'Jesus' lens this week to see others differently. Help us learn to love them like You do. In Jesus' name, amen."

