



First, watch this week's video!

Use this guide to help your family learn about faith.

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

Memory Verse

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

Bible Story

Peter Goes to the House of Cornelius
Acts 10

Bottom Line

God can change the way you see others.

Activity

Shake It Out

What You Need:

Twin-sized sheet (or you can fold a larger sheet in half)

What You Do:

Invite your child to do an activity with you. Grab one side of the sheet and invite your child to grab the other side. Ideally, you'll both be holding close to the corners of the sheet.

Say, "I'll call out a command, and you and I have to follow that command without dropping the sheet. Ready?"

Give the following commands, and complete each one with the sheet still in your hands.

- Stand up
- Sit down
- Wiggle the sheet slowly, quickly, then slowly
- Make a "wave" by taking turns raising and lowering the sheet
- Raise the sheet above your head, then lower it to the ground; repeat twice

Feel free to get creative! Add in your own commands. Then switch and let your child suggest some ideas.

When you're finished, say, "In today's story, Peter saw a sheet being lowered for a very interesting reason, didn't he?"

Talk About the Bible Story

Why did Peter go to the house of Cornelius? (*The Holy Spirit told him to*)

Why was it surprising that Peter would go to Cornelius' house? (*Because Cornelius was a non-Jewish person—a Gentile*)

Are there people who are different from you that you have a hard time liking?

Why is it sometimes difficult to get along with people who are different from you?

Is there someone who is different from you that you can talk to, spend time with, or show respect to this week?

Parent: Talk about a time when you got to know someone who was different from you. Explain how God used the experience to change the way you see others.



Prayer

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

"Dear God, thank You for loving us and seeing each of us as special and valuable. Thank You for this reminder that You meant for the good news about Jesus to be for EVERYONE. Help us to see others the way You see them. And help us LOVE others the way You love them. We love You so much! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."