

Use this guide to help your family learn about faith.



First, watch this week's video!

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

Memory Verse

"God's grace has saved you because of your faith in Christ. Your salvation doesn't come from anything you do. It is God's gift."
Ephesians 2:8 NIV

Bible Story

The Church
Hebrews 10:23-25

Key Question

Who has encouraged you?

Activity

Saying Thanks

What You Need:

Several postcards or note cards; writing utensils; music

What You Do:

Invite your child to do an activity with you. Try to gather several cool postcards if you have some in a drawer. Otherwise, you can just use plain note cards, and you and your child can decorate the other side.

Say, "Let's think of some people who have encouraged us to grow in our faith. I'll go first."

Share four or five people who have helped you grow in your faith, and make a list of their names. Be sure to include people of all ages and from different eras of your life. Then encourage your child to do the same thing.

Put on some good music and take some time with your child to write a postcard or short note to each person on your list, saying things like, "Thanks for helping me grow in my faith," or "Thanks for encouraging me to follow Jesus." You can even include the verse reference: Hebrews 10:23-25.

Make a plan to mail your cards or give them to the people in person.

Say: "God works through us as believers, as we work together to encourage each other in what we believe. Our faith is stronger together!"

Talk About the Bible Story

How can your relationship with someone else make your faith stronger?

Do you think you've encouraged someone else in their faith before? How?

How do we know that God intended for us to work together?

Why do you think it's important for us to meet together with other believers?

What does it mean for our faith to grow stronger? What does that look like or feel like?

Parent: Pick a person on your list and describe in greater detail how they helped your faith grow stronger—by encouraging you with their words, or by example.

Prayer

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

"Dear God, thank You for the people in our lives who encourage and help us grow in our relationship with You. We know that we can grow stronger in our faith because of each other. Help us to be there for our friends and remind them that You are with us. Help us to encourage others as we grow in our faith together. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."