



HEY PARENTS!

Here's what we're learning
in the month of September



THE BURNING BUSH (Exodus 3-4:17)

Brite Idea: God shows us who He is.

Memory Verse: Deuteronomy 3:16 ESV

Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the LORD your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.

Kids will hear the Bible story about Moses and the burning bush. Kids will learn from the Bible story that God shows us who He is through His character, His power, His holiness, and His compassion.

THE TABERNACLE (Exodus 25:8-9; 40)

Brite Idea: God always makes a way to be with us.

Memory Verse: Exodus 29:46 ESV

And they shall know that I am the LORD their God, who brought them out of the land of Egypt that I might dwell among them. I am the LORD their God.

Kids will hear the Bible story about the Tabernacle. Kids will learn from the Bible story that God wants to be with us, and always makes a way to be with His people.

JOSHUA AND JERICHO (Joshua 5:13-6:27)

Brite Idea: God leads His people.

Memory Verse: Joshua 1:9 ESV

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Kids will hear the Bible story about Joshua and Jericho. Kids will learn from the Bible story God led Joshua and His people to win the battle at Jericho. God leads us today through His word. We can trust God's plan for us no matter what is happening.

JUDGES (Judges 2-3:15)

Brite Idea: God helps and hears His people.

Memory Verse: Psalm 28:7 ESV

The LORD is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.

Kids will hear the Bible story about the Judges. Kids will learn from the Bible story that God helps and hears His people. Because God loves His people and is all powerful, He is able to help them when they cry out to Him.

Encouragement for Parents:

It takes courage to follow God. When parents model courage, talk about courage, point out real life courageous role models and ask their children to share their acts of bravery, courage is cultivated. What's the outcome? Resilience. Confidence. The ability to stand up against negative peer pressure and saying no to temptations that don't align with God's ways. Authenticity is built as fears are faced, knowing God is with you and for you. **Lives change as courage builds a trust in God's power when you know your own isn't enough.**

Discipleship Conversation Starters:

THE BURNING BUSH (Exodus 3-4:17)

1. Share a time you tried a new food, tried a new experience, or stood up for someone who was being picked on.
2. Which was the hardest for you to do? Which was the easiest for you to do?
3. How did God help you in those times? It's easy to panic before showing courage because we think of what might go wrong. How do you remember God's power and strength when you want to be courageous?

THE TABERNACLE (Exodus 25:8-9; 40)

1. A mobile device is a computer small enough to hold in your hand and carry with you.
How many mobile devices are in your home? Which is your favorite? Why?
2. The Israelites didn't have mobile devices. They had a tabernacle they carried with them. Who was in that tabernacle?
3. Why did they want God to be with them as they traveled?
How does knowing you carry God with you in your heart help you each moment of your day?

JOSHUA AND JERICHO (Joshua 5:13-6:27)

1. What could make it hard for someone to be a leader and be in charge?
2. God has unlimited power, knowledge and is everywhere at the same time.
Which truth about God do you forget, causing you to make a choice to not follow Him and His ways?
3. Share five words describing how God feels when you make choices to not follow Him.
How can you have more trust and courage to let God be your leader?

JUDGES (Judges 2-3:15)

1. What are you looking forward to tomorrow? What are you not looking forward to tomorrow?
2. Do you think God cares about your tomorrow? Why or why not?
3. Share a time you asked God for help. What happened that showed you that God heard you?
Did God do what you expected?
How did that time make you want to trust God even more?
When God doesn't do what you expected, what helps you remember to still trust Him?