

A Devotional About Building Confidence

Read: Jonah 4:2 NIV

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1

Wrong Way, Jonah!

God asked Jonah to go to Nineveh, but Jonah ran away instead! Have you ever made a choice that wasn't the best? Maybe you got mad and said something that was mean. Or you disobeyed and did something that your grown-up told you not to do. God knew what Jonah needed to do, and even when Jonah messed up, God didn't give up on him. God knows what's best, even when we go the wrong way.

Draw an arrow to show which way Jonah should have gone:

Jonah

Tarshish ✗

Nineveh ✓

LOOK to God always!

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3

Go, Jonah, Go!

This time Jonah listened! He went to Nineveh and told the people about God. Even though Jonah didn't feel like it, he obeyed, and the whole city turned back to God. You can do what's right, even when it's hard or even when it's something you don't want to do, because God knows what's best.

Play "Yes or No":

Ask a grown-up to give you 5 silly choices (like eating ice cream for dinner or brushing teeth before bed). And then choose the best choice.

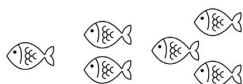
ASK God to show you the best choice!

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More Water?

Jonah ran away, and when he did, he ended up in a crazy place... the belly of a fish! But then he chose to pray to God. Even there, God was listening. Sometimes we make mistakes, but God still hears us! Jonah learned to trust that God's way really is the best way.

COLOR-BY-NUMBER FISH: Color the fish: 1 = blue, 2 = green, 3 = purple.



KNOW that God has the best plan.

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God's Best Plan

Jonah was mad when God forgave the people of Nineveh. He thought they shouldn't get kindness from God. But God knew what was best for everyone, even Jonah! Sometimes we don't understand why God is kind to people who aren't nice, but we can trust His perfect plan.

"Dear God, thank You for loving every person. Remind me that You always know what's best. Help me show Your love to everyone, even those I find hard to like."

THANK God that He has the best plan!

BONUS VERSE:

"For I knew that You are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster."

Jonah 4:2b ESV

THIS MONTH'S MEMORY VERSE:

"But those who trust in the Lord will receive new strength.
They will fly as high as eagles.
They will run and not get tired.
They will walk and not grow weak."

Isaiah 40:31 NIV

Building confidence in God - block by block.



This Week's Bible Story Video



Talk About the Bible Story

Open the Bible together and read Jonah 1-3 or watch the video together on the Parent Cue app.

Engagement Questions

- Have you chosen to listen to God this week?
- How does it make you feel when you choose to do something you know is God's best way, even if it was a little hard at first?
- What's something you could do that might be hard, but you know deep down it would be God's best choice for you?

Faith and Character Activity

Scan the QR code below for activities to guide kids at every phase to trust Jesus in a way that changes how they see God, themselves, and the rest of the world.

Scan the QR code
to get started



Prayer

"Dear God, we ask that You help us follow You every day. You have the best plan for us. We want to listen and obey You. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

Weekly Parent Cues



Elementary

ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

As your kid starts their day, share with them a time when you saw them make a decision that honored God.



Meal Time

At a meal this week, have everyone at the table share: "Describe a time when you or someone you know thought something was the best choice, but it really wasn't." (Be prepared to share as well.)



Drive Time

While on the go, ask your kid: "Who are some people you know who seem to make good choices?"



Bed Time

Pray for each other: "God, we trust You to know what is best for us and others. May we not only trust You with our words, but with our actions."

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Engage with
Your Kid**

**Faith &
Character
Activities**



**Worship Song
of the Month**



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