



WEEKLY

A Family Discipleship Resource



week of

Sunday, October 25

CREATE TIME



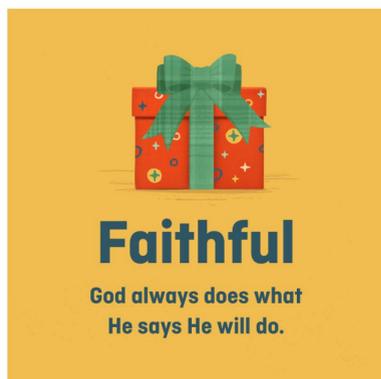
CAPTURE MOMENTS



AND CELEBRATE MILESTONES



TOGETHER



Faithful

God always does what He says He will do.

BIBLE STORY

Joshua and the Promised land
Joshua 24:1–13

BIG TRUTH

God is faithful.
He always does what He says He will do.

NOTE TO PARENTS

This week, we are going to cover a lot of history as we follow the Israelites all the way from Egypt to the Promised Land. We will see that when God makes a promise, He keeps it. When He says He will do something, He does it. God keeps His word. We can trust that God will always do what He says He will do because He is faithful.

You may see that your children struggle to believe this to be true at times, especially when hard things happen to them or people we love. Remind them that because God is faithful, we know He will do what He says He will do. Just like He kept His promise to Abraham, a promise that took hundreds of years to keep, we can be SURE that God will keep His promise through Jesus to make everything right! When we feel sad or scared or angry, we can be comforted that God is faithful and that He always does what He says He will do.



TIME

Centering the home on God's Word

After watching the KV weekly video, ask:

1. What does it mean for God to be faithful? *He always does what He says He will do.*
2. What three things did God promise to Abraham? *Himself (God), family, land*
3. How did God show His faithfulness to His people, Israel? *He kept all of His promises to Abraham.*
4. How did God keep His promise to give land to Abraham's family? *He conquered all of the people living in the Promised Land, so that the Israelites could live there.*

Read Psalm 145:8–17 as a family. Talk about which testament, book, chapter, and verse this passage is found in. Explain any words your children do not recognize or understand.

1. What attributes of God do you see in this passage? *Gracious, merciful, patient, good, loving, etc.*
2. What is the greatest promise God has faithfully kept? *The promise to send a Savior—Jesus!*
3. Why can we trust that God will be faithful in the future? *God is unchanging—He was, is, and always will be faithful to His children!*
4. How does trusting God's faithfulness help us wait patiently? *God always keeps His promises!*
5. As a family, how can we encourage one another to trust that God will always be faithful?

Make a time capsule: Gather items that mark this particular moment in your family's life: a family photo, a recent school assignment, a newspaper article, etc. Have each member of the family write out prayers to God thanking Him for His faithfulness to make those who love Jesus look more like Him. Be specific about remembering ways God has shown His faithfulness to your family. Put everything in a shoebox, and then put it away in a closet. Set a reminder on your calendar to open the box one year from today, and then open it up and talk about how God has been faithful.



MOMENTS

Proclaiming the truth as you go

- Inevitably, something will go wrong today (take heart!). As a promise isn't kept, the schedule changes, or unfinished tasks are discovered, encourage your own heart and your child's that God is faithful! He always does what He says He will do, and He promises to help you to be faithful, too!
- This week, remind each other of how God has been faithful to your family over the last year. Think about the prayers He has answered, and point out things He has provided and accomplished.

SERVE Practice faithfulness! Make a promise that helps or serves someone else in your family and then keep it! Your promise could be to clear the table after dinner without being asked, to help clean your sibling's room without complaining, or to let your brother or sister pick a game to play. Be faithful to your word!

PRAY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY

Praise God that He is faithful! **Thank** Him for His faithfulness to keep His promise to send a Savior. **Confess** that sometimes you are not faithful—you don't do what you say you will. **Ask** for God's help to trust that He will continue to be faithful during difficult times.

MEMORY VERSE

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

PSALM 86:15 (ESV)