

# PARENT CORNER

## weekly

TODAY: JULY 6-7

**Bible Story:** *He Won't Back Down (Peter and John Before the Sanhedrin)*  
*Acts 4:1-22 (Supporting: Acts 3)*

**Big Idea:** I can have confidence knowing what Jesus has done.

**Memory Verse:** "Being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." *Philippians 1:6 (NIV)*

**Life App:** Confidence—Learning to see yourself the way God sees you

### Bible Story Summary:

**Read and meditate on Acts 4:1-22**

When it comes to confidence, we might try and base it on what we do well or what a teacher or parent might say about us. But true confidence should be built on something that lasts forever. We think that's found in understanding how God sees us. God created us, and God loves us. Nowhere is this more evident than in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. And, when you put your confidence in Jesus, you can truly see yourself how God sees you.

In **Acts 4:1-22** we see that Peter and John didn't care that they were arrested for talking to others about Jesus. They had so much confidence in Jesus, that they would keep talking about Jesus even if it meant dying for their faith.

**You can have confidence knowing what Jesus has done.** Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we don't have to fear anything that happens. God can give us the confidence to trust Him no matter what.

Drive Time



While in the car, start a conversation with your kid by asking the following questions. "What challenges are you facing this week? Anything you are nervous about? What would trusting that Jesus is with you when you face those challenges look like?" Give your kid some ideas on how to face these challenges by encouraging them to pray, journal, or complete the GodTime.

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# WEEK 1



# DAY 1

**READ** "I can do all this by the power of Christ. He gives me strength." *Philippians 4:13 NIV*

Fill in the first part of this verse.

"I can do \_\_\_\_\_."

Aren't you glad it doesn't say, "I can do some things" or "I can do most things"? This verse reminds you that you can do EVERYTHING! How? Find out by filling in the rest of the sentence.

"I can do all this by the power of \_\_\_\_\_. He gives me strength."

You don't have to figure out how to be strong enough to go through hard things. Jesus will give you the strength you need if you just ask Him. And that is a promise!

**ASK** Jesus to give you strength.

# DAY 2

**READ** "So do not be afraid. I am with you. Do not be terrified. I am your God. I will make you strong and help you. I will hold you safe in my hands. I always do what is right." *Isaiah 41:10 (NIRV)*

Finish the first part of this verse.

"So do not be afraid. I am with \_\_\_\_\_."

There is nothing you will face that you have to do on your own. God is with you. He is strong, and You can trust Him no matter what.

Take a dry erase marker into the bathroom and look in the mirror. As you look at yourself, talk about the things that you are facing right now that are hard or something that scares you. Now make a worried face in the mirror.

**Ask your parent if you can write "I am with you!" on the mirror, above your face. Then, look in the mirror again and strike a confident pose. Whatever it is that you're facing right now, you can face it without fear because you know that Jesus is with you!**

**KNOW** that when Jesus is with you, you can face anything.

# DAY 3

**READ** "Being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." *Philippians 1:6 (NIV)*

This is the memory verse for the month of July! This month we are learning about confidence. Having true confidence means you can see yourself the way that God sees you.

When it comes to confidence, we might try and base it on what we do well or what a teacher or parent might say about us. But true confidence should be built on something that lasts forever. We think that's found in understanding how God sees us.

Memorizing Philippians 1:6 will help us remember that. Grab a ball and a parent and head outside!

**Start close to each other and say the first word of the verse while tossing the ball to your parent. If they catch it, take a step back. Then, they should say the next word and toss it back to you. If you catch it, they should take a step back. Continue doing this until you get through the whole verse! If you drop it at any point, you have to start all over!**

**PRACTICE** the memory verse as a reminder that God is always with you.

## HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

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Parent signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Return for 5 Bible Bucks!**

## parent CUE:

**Want to know what your child is learning at church? Download a free app called Parent Cue.** This app is put out by The reThink Group who writes the curriculum we use in UpTown as a guide to what our kids learn.

Parent Cue has parenting articles, blogs, and ways you can live out your faith at home. Week by week you will be given cues so you can make the most of your time with your kids for God.



# DAY 4

**READ** *Acts 1:1-4*

Peter and John were confident in God, that is for sure. They continued to tell people about Jesus even when they were put in jail for it. There was only one way Peter and John could have stood up to the religious leaders the way they did; they had been with Jesus. That should give us confidence! After all, Peter and John weren't superheroes. For them, it was simple. They knew Jesus was with them.

Jesus is with us, too. We can know that for a fact! The next time you feel afraid, remember Jesus is with you. Now that should help you each day, no matter what's ahead!

**Have a parent help you read this prayer.**

**"Dear God, Thank you for always being with me. I know that you have done great things. With your help, I know that I don't have to fear anything that happens. Be with me and give me confidence this week to trust You no matter what. I love you God, Amen!"**

**PRAY** that God gives you confidence because of what Jesus has done.

## at a GLANCE



### Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping

- July 13-14** 1st Grade
- July 20-21** Kindergarten
- July 27-28** 4th Grade
- August 3-4** 3rd Grade
- August 10-11** 2nd Grade



**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_