

PARENT CORNER

weekly

TODAY: MAY 16-17

Bible Story: Send Me on My Way (Jesus' final orders to His disciples/ Ascension)

• *Matthew 28:16- 20; Luke 24:50- 53; Acts 1:1- 11*

Big Idea: Be determined to tell others about Jesus

Memory Verse: "Let us not become tired of doing good. At the right time we will gather a crop if we don't give up." *Galatians 6:9 NIRV*

Life App: Determination—deciding it's worth it to finish what you've started

Bible Story Summary: In Matthew 28:16-20, Luke 24:50-53, and Acts 1:1-11, we discover more about the final moments of Jesus' life on earth. Before He went back to His Father, Jesus gave His disciples a huge mission: tell the world about Him. The message of Jesus was for everyone, and it was their job to get the word out.

The Big Idea this week is **Be determined to tell others about Jesus**. It can be hard for kids and even adults to be bold in telling the good news of Jesus. We may be afraid we don't have the right words or that someone will make fun of us. But Jesus promised the disciples He is with us and has given us power through the Holy Spirit to spread the best news ever.



School is almost out for the SUMMER! Things are starting to change, again. These are times that are unprecedented. Encourage your child to finish the school year strong with a note or word of encouragement by their breakfast, with their lunch, or hanging on their door. You could write something like, "God gives you what you need to keep going. Don't give up!"

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WEEK 3

God TIME

DAY 1

READ 1 Corinthians 9:24- 25

The last couple of weeks we have been talking about determination, deciding it's worth it to finish what you've started. This is true in life too. Sometimes we're tempted to quit when things get hard. But for those that follow Jesus, we receive a crown that lasts forever! Because Jesus can do anything, He can give us the power we need even when all we want to do is quit. We can keep going even when it seems impossible.

Do you remember the first time you tried to ride a bike? It seemed so hard right? Maybe even impossible! And now, I bet you can ride your bike without even thinking about it! In fact, you could probably make a whole list of things that you used to think were impossible.

Grab a piece of paper and some crayons. Make a list of all the things you can think of that you used to not be able to do but now, you can do it!

LOOK for more things to add to your list this week and let it remind you to keep going even when it seems impossible.

DAY 2

READ 1 Corinthians 16:13

One of the awesome things about following God is that He promises to be with us, no matter what. When you have a big job to do, when the job seems way too hard, God can help you stand strong, be brave and finish with determination. That's what Paul is talking about in today's verse. Even when the task seems impossible, God is with you.

Ask an adult to help you make a paper chain. Grab a piece of blank paper, scissors, tape, and some crayons. First, cut out 10 strips of paper. On each strip of paper, write something that you would like to learn to do. After you have written on each strip, connect them by making a circle and connecting them to each other, creating a paper chain. Hang this paper chain somewhere in your room and each time you learn to do one of these things, remove it from your paper chain.

Sometimes it's really hard to keep going especially when you are learning something new. But our heavenly Father is here to help us. He cares about what we care about and He wants to help us with every link on our paper chain!

ASK God to help you with the things that are important to you!

DAY 3

READ *Isaiah 41:10*

Do you ever feel like quitting? Maybe you've tried and failed and you're afraid you'll NEVER get it right. That's when you have to remember that God is with you. He can make you strong, help you and hold you safe. His way is always right. God will give you the strength you need to keep going, even when it seems impossible.

What is something new you have tried but then in the middle of trying it, you stopped? Like a new sport, learning to read, building a LEGO® set. Learning new things is hard and sometimes when it gets hard, we feel like giving up. We know that we have to keep going even when it seems impossible.

Have an adult help you find *Isaiah 41:10* in the Bible. Write the verse down somewhere that you can see it. What a cool reminder that things might be impossible to us, but with God all things are possible.

KNOW that we can keep going because with God all things are possible!

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed **GodTime**.

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.

There are additional resources that Pathway will be providing for you during this time at <https://pccfw.org/covid-19/>



DAY 4

READ *John 15:5*

Ever popped a juicy grape into your mouth? Did you pluck it from the stem first? That stem is connected to the vine which supplies all the water and nutrients that grape needs to grow and become your snack. Jesus described Himself as the vine. You are the branch. When you stay connected to Jesus, He can help you keep going, to keep doing the right thing, and to keep loving others the way He loves.

Ask an adult to help you look up this week's Bible story in Matthew 28:16-20. What do you think the disciples were thinking when Jesus asked them to tell the whole world about Him? That seems like an impossible thing to do right? There are going to be things in our life that seem impossible too but we can keep going knowing that God will help us face the situation with determination!

Pray this prayer below.

Dear God,
Thank You that I can count on You to help me when I face tough things. Remind me in those tough times that You are there to help me. I love you. Amen.

THANK God that you can count on HIM to help you during tough times!

at a GLANCE



Bibles N Bucks Shopping:

We will be postponing Bibles N Bucks Shopping until we are able to meet again, in person! We cannot wait to see you then! Until that time, please save your GodTimes and UpTown Challenges.... You WILL be able to turn them all in for Bible Bucks!

FACEBOOK:

Please check out our KidCity Facebook page! There will be additional videos, challenges, and EXCITING activities going on there!



Child's Name: _____