PARENT CORNER TODAY: MAY 23-24 Weekly

Bible Story: Spirit Thing (The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost)

Acts 2:1- 41

Big Idea: God gives you what you need to live His way.

Memory Verse: "So let us throw off everything that stands in our way. Let us throw off any sin that holds on to us so tightly. And let us keep on running the race marked out for us." *Hebrews 12:1, NIrV*

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

Bible Story Summary: In Acts 2:1-41 we discover how the disciples would have the strength to tell the world about Jesus. As the disciples were gathered together, the Holy Spirit came upon them and empowered them to preach with boldness. Peter preached the message of his life, and over 3,000 people put their faith in Jesus.

God gives you what you need to grow up His way. When it comes to determination to grow up God's way, kids might feel like they'll never have enough of it to finish the race God has marked out for them. But God knew we would need help, so He gave us an amazing helper, the Holy Spirit, to give us the power to live for Him.



Q & A for kids: What is something you're doing now that you're having a hard time finishing?

Q & A for parents: What is something that you started and finished that changed your life? How would your life be different if you hadn't seen it through?

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God

DAY 1

READ Philippians 4:13

When Paul wrote the words "I can do all things" was he thinking maybe he could . . . walk through walls or make a gazillion dollars?

Not so fast, friends. When it comes to following God, we have to remember that God has a plan and a purpose for each one of us. So, when Paul said, "I can do ALL things," he meant all the things that line up with God's plan for him. In other words, God won't ask you to do something that He won't help you to do.

Instead of thinking of this verse in superhero, super-human terms, think about the things God asks of you. Are some of them hard to do? Like being kind, sharing what you have, or telling the truth? God will give you what you need, when you need it to follow His plan for you. Because God gives you what you need to keep going.

THANK God for the promise that He will help you do ALL the things He's asked of you.

DAY 2

READ 2 Corinthians 4:8-9

Paul wrote this when he was going through hard times, just for telling others about Jesus! You can find just a few examples in 1 Corinthians 4:11-13. But Paul reminds us that while others might make us suffer, God never leaves us.

Have you ever seen one of those weighted wobble toys? They're inflated (like a big punching bag) with a weight on the bottom so that when you knock them down, they rise right back up. This is a picture of what Paul is talking about in today's verse. When it comes to following God, you might be knocked down, but you aren't knocked out. God will give you what you need to keep going because He promises He will never leave you.

If you have one of those wobble toys, say the words of the verse as you kick it around and watch it rise again. If you don't have one, ask an adult to help you blow up a balloon. Practice tapping it to keep it in the air as you repeat the words of the verse.

KNOW that God will never leave you.

DAY 3

READ Psalm 118:6-8

Has someone ever let you down? Maybe the friend you thought was your "best friend" decided she didn't want to be friends anymore. Maybe someone said something about you that wasn't true or blamed you for something you didn't do to avoid getting into trouble.

People let us down all the time because people aren't perfect. Everyone, including you, messes up.

But God isn't like us. He is perfect, righteous, holy and completely good. We can put all our trust in Him. We can keep doing the right thing when we remember that God is with us and that He will give us what we need to keep going.

Set a timer for two minutes.

Jog in place as you repeat today's verse. Can you repeat the verse as you jog without giving up?

ASK God to help you keep doing the right thing, no matter what others are doing because He is with you.

HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

Return for 5 Bible Bucks!

DAY 4

READ Exodus 14:14

Ever tried the cookie challenge? With an adult's permission, grab a cookie or cracker from the kitchen. Look up at the ceiling, place the cookie on your forehead. Then, using only the muscles in your face, move the cookie from your forehead to your mouth.

Were you tempted to reach up and grab the cookie to put it in your mouth?

Being still is hard and it was really hard for the Israelites, God's chosen people. They were trapped between the raging Red Sea in front of them and Pharaoh's mighty army coming up fast behind. When Moses spoke these words, he had no idea what God was going to do. And then in one miraculous act, God parted the sea and the Israelites walked forward to freedom.

Being still was probably the last thing the Israelites wanted to do, but they chose to trust God. Sometimes determination requires us to be still, to listen to God and then move when He tells us to move. We need to stop and listen, instead of moving ahead in our own strength.

For a few moments, bow your head and just be quiet.

at today's verse and ask God to help you understand what it means to be still and let Him fight for you.

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/



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: