

FEBRUARY FAMILY GUIDE OLDER KIDS

WHAT ARE WE LEARNING THIS MONTH?

FEBRUARY 1 & 2

LESSON TOPIC: The Story of King Saul PASSAGE: 1 Smauel 8:1-9

LESSON GOAL: Even though we might think we know what's best for our life, God knows best all the time. We need to trust that God knows best for our lives.

GOD STATEMENT: God Knows Best

FEBRUARY 8 & 9

LESSON TOPIC: God Chooses David to Be King PASSAGE: 1 Samuel 16:6-13

LESSON GOAL: God sees what's in our hearts and can use us for mighty things when we trust and follow Him.

GOD STATEMENT: God Sees Our Heart

FEBRUARY 15 & 16

LESSON TOPIC: The Story of Solomon PASSAGE: 1 Kings 3:5-15

LESSON GOAL: God teaches us how to live with wisdom and understanding. Wisdom means to know what is right and do it, and we have to follow God's teachings in the Bible to have wisdom.

GOD STATEMENT: God Teaches Us

FEBRUARY 22 & 23

LESSON TOPIC: Remember & Celebrate PASSAGE: Lamentations 3:22-23

LESSON GOAL: To reflect on God's faithfulness to us even when we don't follow Him, just like we've seen the Israelites do in the Bible over the last several months.

GOD STATEMENT: God is Faithful



/ IN THE MORNING:

Let's start our day with God! As your kids get ready for the morning, listen to the Slugs & Bugs music (for little kids) or listen to the God's Big Story by The Village Church podcast (for older kids) on Spotify. Choose one specific song to play every morning and learn the words together.



IN THE CAR:

Prayer is a powerful tool, and it's even more powerful when we pray together! When you're in the car together (like on the way to school), take turns praying for cars that you pass. Pick a car color for the day and pray for every car of that color that passes.



DURING DINNER:

During dinner, spend time affirming the ways God has created your kiddo(s) uniquely and wonderfully. Talk about 2 positive things you've noticed your kiddo(s) do today! Then, ask them to say one thing they love about themselves.



IN THE EVENING:

As everyone winds down for the night, be intentional and present with your kids. Put all screens away 30 minutes before bedtime and use this space to check-in, pray with one another, read a story or just snuggle up.



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FEBRUARY FAMILY GUIDE YOUNGER KIDS

GOD SEES OUR HEART

God Chooses David as King

WORSHIP SONGS

Scan the QR codes below to sing these songs with your child

ONLY A BOY NAMED DAVID

Only a boy named David, only a little sling, only a boy named David, but he could pray and sing. Only a boy named David, only a rippling brook, only a boy named David, but five little stones he took.



THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE



This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine This little light of mine I'm going to let it shine

Let it shine, Let it Shine, let it shine

LITTLE DAVID, PLAY ON YOUR HARP

Little David, play on your harp, Hallelu, hallelujah! Little David, play on your harp, Hallelu, hallelujah! Little David, play on your harp, Hallelu, hallelujah!



PRAISE YE THE LORD



Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah! Praise ye the Lord!

ACTIVITIES

Play these fun activities with your child

GOD SEES MY HEART

Cut 5 large heart shapes out of paper or cardboard. Place the hearts on the floor and encourage your child to move from one heart to another. They can crawl, walk, jump, skip, etc. As they move from one heart to another, encourage them to say "God sees my heart!"

SAY: "God sees your heart and He loves you so much!"

FOLLOWING GOD

Use items around your house to create a little obstacle course that your child can go through (pillows, blankets, couch cushions, etc). You can create the course as easy or as hard as you'd like, depending on their age and development. Encourage your child to complete the obstacle course, even if it gets challenging. When they finish, change up the course and encourage them to do it again.

SAY: "God wants us to trust and follow Him, just like the way David followed God. Sometimes it can be hard to follow God, just like it might've been hard to do this obstacle course. But we should always follow God, no matter what!"



VERSE

"People look at the outside of a person, but the Lord looks at the heart."

1 Samuel 16:7, NIRV

BLESSING

"May you remember God made you in His image—you are His unique creation! God sees your heart and He loves you so much!"

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