

Parenting with PURPOSE

MISSION DISCOVERY OF GRACE



Unit 4.5: Discovery of Faithfulness

We discover faithfulness when we determine to know, trust and follow God's plan for our lives.

Memory Verse: Colossians 1:10

Lesson Objectives:

- GOD'S GRACE AND LOVE PROVIDES FAITHFULNESS. Understand what it means to be faithful to God.
- WE DISCOVER FAITHFULNESS WHEN WE STUDY GOD'S WORD. Study examples in the Bible of faithful people.
- TRUSTING IN GOD GIVES FAITHFULNESS. Identify areas in their lives in which they need to increase in their faithfulness.
- FOLLOWING GOD PROVIDES FAITHFULNESS. Determine to grow in their faithfulness to God by studying the Bible and following Him.



Talk about it:

3rd & 4th Graders

- What does it mean for someone to be faithful?
- Who is an example to you of faithfulness? Why do you think they are faithful?
- What would it look like for someone your age to have faithfulness?

5th & 6th Graders

- How can you grow in your faithfulness to God?
- When is it difficult to be faithful to God? What can you do when it is hard?
- How can you get to know Jesus better so that you can be more faithful to Him?

Encouragement for you:

Have faith ... God is working in your life! You grow in faith when you spend time with God each day. You grow in faith when you pray for that which only God can accomplish. You grow in faith when you selflessly serve your family. God knows when you are faithful despite your feelings and He comes alongside you to help you when you are not. God has given you the grace you need to accomplish His purposes in your life. He will empower you for every good work so that Jesus Christ will be glorified in and through you. He will grow your faith!

T&T Announcements

Family Activity: Blindfold Faith

What You'll Need:

Blindfold, ice cream and toppings, scoop, towel, bowls, silverware, napkins

PREP: Put ice cream, toppings, tableware, napkins on a table. Set the towel nearby.

STEP 1: You will need three people. Blindfold one person and spin him or her around twice. Assign the second person to be the leader and give instructions, but he or she cannot use his or her hands. Ask the third person to sit in the chair and drape the towel over his or her lap. He or she cannot use his or her hands. Instruct the three volunteers to follow directions and work together to make an ice cream sundae and feed it to the person sitting in the chair.

STEP 2: Ask the following questions:

- What challenges did each volunteer face?
- What did the blindfolded person have to do in order to successfully fulfill the activity?
- Why is it important to have a leader who gives clear instructions for you to follow?

STEP 3: Share these key concepts:

- We are on a journey to a life filled with God's grace and God is our leader.
- We may not be able to see what is ahead of us and sometimes things seem weird, but the Bible gives us directions on how He wants us to live our lives.
- Each of us has to choose to faithfully follow God's directions in the Bible so we know how God wants us to live.
- The Bible gives us everything we need to live a life that pleases God.
- Our goal should be to live our lives in a way that brings glory to God.
- We please God when we seek to bring glory to Him.
- When we are faithful to follow these steps, we will discover the right kind of attitude and we will do good works because we are growing in our knowledge and relationship with God.

STEP 4: Pray, asking the Holy Spirit to help you and your kids understand the importance that God wants us to be faithful.