

Dear Parents,

This week we learn about the story of Joshua and Caleb. When they finally reached the promised land, they had to trust God as they stepped out on faith, even though it was scary. Take some time to talk to your children about ways that you have stepped out on faith!

OPENING ACTIVITY

Shape Grapes

Mention that grapes come in many colors such as green, red, purple, blue, and even yellow. Demonstrate how to roll balls of play dough to resemble grapes. Let each child select a ball of play dough to roll into different sized grapes.

Say: The men cut down a bunch of grapes so big the bunch had to be carried on a pole. Joshua and Caleb trusted God to give them the good land. Jesus always trusted God. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sin and gives us life with Him forever.

WORSHIP

These songs are what we suggest for today's lesson. You can use these links or access them from the TCC Kids youtube playlist. As always, do what works best for your family and use whatever songs you'd like to worship together!

- (Elementary) "Faithful", https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H__YLFGQHSM
- (Elementary) "Follow", <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=64g6P3saSME>
- (Preschool) "Thankful", <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Earct6EBiwg>

BIBLE STORY

Bible Passage: Numbers 13-14

Main Point: Joshua and Caleb trusted God.

Big Picture Question: What does it mean to sin? To sin is to go against God and His commands.

Christ Connection: *The Israelites turned away from God because they did not trust Him. Jesus always trusted God. He took the punishment we deserve for turning away from God. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sin and gives us life with Him forever.*

PRAYER TIME

Spend some time as a family in prayer. Pray for your kids and pray out loud with your kids! Encourage them to pray and share with God what is on their hearts.

Say: God, we are like the Israelites and do not always trust You. Help us to be like Jesus who always trusted You. Help us to trust in Him so we can be forgiven and have life with You forever. Amen.

CRAFT/ACTIVITY

Build a Big City

Use a long piece of masking tape to create a line on the wall. Challenge kids to build tall buildings by stacking blocks to reach the tape. Prop a yardstick against a wall or secure a long piece of measuring tape to the wall if available.

Say: *The men found that the cities in the promised land were big and protected. **Joshua and Caleb trusted God** to give them the land, but the people turned away from God because they did not trust Him. Jesus always trusted God. He took the punishment we deserve for turning away from God. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sin and gives us life with Him forever.*

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STORY POINT: JOSHUA AND CALEB TRUSTED GOD TO GIVE HIS PEOPLE THE PROMISED LAND.