

# AUGUST 2025

## FAITH

**trusting in what  
you can't see  
because of what  
you can see**

Every story has a beginning. As we explore Creation, the Fall and other pivotal moments in the origin of our faith, kids will discover that not only did God create everything, but even after people chose to go their own way, God had a plan to restore us. We can see how God faithfully began to fulfill that plan in Abram's call and in the lives of Jacob and Joseph. And we look forward to the fulfillment of that plan in Jesus. When kids see how God has worked in the past, they can grow in faith that our faithful God continues to work in and through each person who chooses to follow Jesus.

**WEEK 1:** Creation and the Fall  
(Genesis 1--2:3, 3;  
supporting Romans 5:8)

**You can trust God no matter what.**

**WEEK 2:** Noah  
(Genesis 6--9)

**You can trust God even when you  
don't understand.**

**WEEK 3:** God Chooses Abram  
(Genesis 12:1-9, 15:1-6)

**You can trust that God has a plan.**

**WEEK 4:** Jacob's Dream  
(Genesis 28:10-22, supporting  
Genesis 25:19-34; 27)

**You can trust that God is with you.**

**WEEK 5:** Joseph  
(Genesis 37, 39--45)

**You can trust God when things get  
tough.**

## MEMORY VERSE:

"Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being  
sure of what we do not see."

Hebrews 11:1, NIV

# ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



## MORNING TIME

As your kid starts his day, remind him that he can trust God no matter what happens today. Pray for a big faith that grows in both of you.



## MEAL TIME

At a meal this month, have everyone at the table answer this question: "What are some things that help you trust in God? What are some things that make it hard?"



## DRIVE TIME

While on the go, ask your kid: "What are some things that are tough in your life?" Listen carefully and compassionately. Then say to her: "You can trust God when things get tough. And I'm always here for you, too." You may want to tell her about a time you trusted God when things were tough.



## BED TIME

Pray for each other: "Father in heaven, help us to trust you no matter what is going on around us or how we are feeling inside."

## PARENT TIP:

Some parents can't wait for summer break to end. They long for the routine of the school year, and these last few weeks of August are on their last nerve. Other parents see the first day of school looming on the calendar, and they are filled with a sense of dread. They don't want to let go of their carefree summer days. The reality is that God made ALL the seasons. So, don't wish away the next few weeks OR let them be overshadowed by the approaching trepidation of school. Instead, if you're a parent who can hardly take one more day of the chaos, remember that "this is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it." (Ps. 118:24) Keep living your summer life until the bitter end. Don't rob your kids of the last days of their freedom. Visit the pool, and soak up the sun. Ride bikes, break out the popsicles, and catch some fireflies. And if you're the parent who gets sadder and sadder as the last days of summer break wane, just remember not to "be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself." (Matt 6:34)

For each and EVERY parent out there, don't let the school bell sneak up on you! Take a few moments after the kids go to bed, or before they rise in the morning, and pray. Make a simple, spiritual plan to carry you and your kids through the end of 2025. Is there something you wanted to accomplish during the summer that you didn't get to? There's still time! What about the upcoming school year? What are two or three things that you want to grow in your lives in order to strengthen your faith in God? How will you adjust your habits and routines to do it? Whatever you discover, write it down, share it with your family, and post it somewhere as a reminder. These last golden days may feel like either the beginning or the end of a marathon, but God will give you the strength to run it!