

FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 10, 2020



BIBLE STORY:

Hebrews 11

BIBLE VERSE:

Hebrews 11:6

BABIES–PRESCHOOL TEXT TRUTH:

People show they love God.

KIDS TEXT TRUTH:

We can live by faith. (YK)

God is honored when we live by faith. (OK)

ADULT CORE PASSAGE:

Romans 12:1-2,9-18

FAMILY MEMORY VERSE:

Romans 12:2

FAMILY READING PLAN:

SUNDAY: *Romans 13:8-10*

MONDAY: *Romans 13:11-14*

TUESDAY: *Romans 14:1-4*

WEDNESDAY: *Romans 14:5-8*

THURSDAY: *Romans 14:9-12*

FRIDAY: *Romans 14:13-18*

SATURDAY: *Romans 14:19-23*

FAMILY BIBLE EXPLORATION

Share these points as you study Hebrews and Romans together as a family:



- **The faith chapter.** Hebrews 11 is a chapter devoted to faith. Sometimes called the “hall of faith” this chapter lists many people, well-known to the Jews, who exhibited great faith in God. The writer of Hebrews begins by defining what true faith is. Faith is the reality of things that are hoped for and the evidence of things we cannot see. Faith is believing that what God says is true, is actually true. God has proved Himself trustworthy in everything and, based on God’s trustworthiness, people can have faith that God’s trustworthiness will continue.
- **Men and women of faith.** The Hebrews writer introduced a list of people with whom the Hebrews would have been familiar. Their stories were familiar to the Hebrews, but the writer went on to highlight how each individual showed faith. Abel trusted God when he offered his sacrifice and God honored Abel’s offering. Enoch had such faith in God that God took Enoch straight to heaven without death. Noah had enough faith to build an enormous boat knowing that God said it was going to rain and Noah needed protection.
- **Many other examples.** Abraham, the father of the nation of Israel, had enough faith to drop everything he had been doing and move to a faraway land because God told him to. Abraham had no idea where he was going, but being led by God, he through faith obeyed. By faith, Sarah gave birth to a baby even though she was well past child bearing years. The author lists many others: Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Rahab, Gideon and more. Confessing the list to be too long, the writer concludes that people can faithfully serve God because God has proven Himself faithful.
- **Be yourself.** By faith, people can freely live authentic lives for Christ. Paul told the Romans that because of Jesus’ death, believers had freedom to live their lives sacrificially in all they do. Faith in Christ brings a desire to live in such a way that our lives reflect Jesus and compels us to tell others about Him.