

FAMILY FAITH THE FRIDGE

Jacob's  Well

A Monthly Guide Connecting Home and Church - February 2016

Wee Ones

Babes - Three



Play in the Story: The Good Shepherd (John 10:1-18)

Play!

Pretend you are a shepherd and your child is the sheep. Say, "Follow me to the creek of water to get a drink. Now let's hop over the creek. Let's find some green grass to eat. Oh, now let's hide from the cold wind. It's getting dark. It must be time to sleep." Take turns being the shepherd and the sheep.

Build!

Use blocks, little people, and sheep. Build a sheep pen. Help the sheep follow the shepherd in and out of the pen. Read the story of The Good Shepherd from a children's Bible (John 10).



Singin' in the Car

Jesus Had Little Lambs

(tune of Mary Had A Little Lamb)

Jesus had little lambs,
little lambs, little lambs.

(Cradle little lamb in your arms)

Jesus had little lambs
that he loved so much.

Singin' in the Car (continued)!

And everywhere that Jesus went,

Jesus went, Jesus went.

(Use your fingers to walk on your hand)

Everywhere that Jesus went the lambs
were sure to go.

Jesus kept them safe and warm,
safe and warm, safe and warm.

(Hug yourself and rock)

Jesus kept them safe and warm
in pastures green and blue.

Head to The Library!
The Little Shepherd, by Bijou Le Tord
Psalm 23, by Moser Barry
The Lord is My Shepherd, by Hans Wilhelm

The Loft

4 year olds - K



Praying God's Word

Psalm 4:8

(A great prayer for reluctant sleepers!)

Jesus, I can lay down and sleep
(lay head to side on hands)

Because I know you keep me safe.
(Hug yourself)

Play in the Story: Jesus Calms the Storm (Mark 4:35-41)

Read & Chat!

Pick up your favorite children's Bible and read the story of Jesus calming the storm. Imagine together what it's like to be in a boat during a storm. How would you feel? How did Jesus sleep through it all? Could you? Who is Jesus that even the wind and waves listen to Him?

Illustrate!

Get out your favorite art supplies out and illustrate the story together. How big were those waves? What colors? What was the boat like? What did Jesus look like sleeping? And the disciples?

Sing a Song!

"Jesus Stops the Storm" is a wonderful song on Rain for Roots' album Big Stories for Little Ones. Download their music on Amazon, iTunes, or at rainforroots.com



Google It!

I know my own kids love a good google search. We opened Google Earth and searched out the real Sea of Galilee. Give it a try! Take a walk with your fingers. Try googling images of the Sea of Galilee, too. So beautiful! Do you think Jesus loved being on the sea?

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Conversation Around The Table

- What is wisdom?
- What is the opposite of being wise?
- Are you wise?
- Where would you look find more wisdom?
- What's the difference between being wise and being smart?
- What is a sacrifice?
- How is a sacrifice also worship?
- What would you sacrifice to worship God?

Get in the Story: King Solomon (1 Kings & Proverbs)

In February, the Wonderground is exploring the life of King Solomon, the son and heir of King David, whose legendary request for wisdom helped him build the first Temple in Jerusalem, judge between two women & a baby, and accrue great wealth & 700 wives. We are also considering the themes of wisdom, sacrifice, idolatry, and compromise, as well as two Bible books authored by Solomon, Proverbs & Ecclesiastes.

Readin' By The Fire

- Solomon's One Wish
1st Kings 2:1-4, 3:1-15
- The Judgment of Solomon
1st Kings 3:16-28
- Solomon Builds the Temple
2nd Chron. 3:1-17; 5:1-14
- Solomon's Bitter Lessons
1st Kings 11:1-13, Eccl. 2:1-26



Book Resources

- King Solomon & the Queen of Sheba
by Blu Greenberg
- King Solomon & the Bee
adapted by Dalia Hardof Renberg
- The Temple King Solomon Built
by Arch Books
- A Pocket Full of Proverbs
by Helen & Elizabeth Haidle

Sharing God's Love

By Maria Smith, JW Parent

One afternoon, a neighbor who was having health problems, confided in me discouragement that he wasn't able to keep up with his role of cooking dinner and felt like a burden to his partner. In that moment, God showed me an opportunity to love with the simple gift of making meals for them. I began to think about the commandment to "love our neighbor" and how I could invite my daughter into that process in a very tangible way.

Quinn helped me make several meals for our neighbors over the following months while we talked about why we were doing what we were doing. She'd help me deliver the dinners and included cards she'd made. While making cards she starting saying, "This is how I can show God's love to people!" Sometimes she'd ask to pick flowers from the yard to leave at our neighbors' doors or deliver her cards into their mailboxes. Quinn is especially sensitive to litter and so we began taking bags with us on our walks to pick up trash and "take care of God's world", discussing how we can serve our neighbors by making the streets look nicer.

These activities don't have to be forced. Slow down and look for things your child is naturally interested in doing. Then be intentional in talking to them about using those gifts and interests to bless others and discuss how it feels to share God's love. Invite them into the things you are already doing, such as giving money from their piggy bank to tithe at church, help with a meal for a family with a new baby, cards for relatives, etc. Or engage as a family in this practice of love and service by praying for others. We have a simple photo book on our table with pictures of friends and family, so we can pray for one each night at dinner.



PEASANTS' DAY Feast

Monday, February 15
1:00-3:00 pm
1200 S. 5th Street, KCK
Join in packaging meals for
countries in need!
Register at JacobsWellChurch.org



Youthfront Camp

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