

APPLICATION VERSE: John 3:16

EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:

Create a pizza together or let each family member make individual ones. Talk about how the dough is the foundation of the pizza. Without it, you don't have a pizza, you just have toppings. Relate it to a life without Jesus. You might have many good things, but they are meaningless. Jesus is the foundation to a meaningful life.

TODAY I LEARNED . . .

King Solomon learned that a life without God has no meaning.

NEXT STEP

Work on growing my relationship with God, so I will live a meaningful life.

I spent time alone with God:

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SCRIPTURE: Ecclesiastes 1:1-18

FAMILY THEME: The Search for Meaning

BIBLE BASICS:

With your family, learn John 3:16-17.

FIELD NOTES

Property of

WORD BANK:

joy, loving, meaningful, meaningless, peace, pursuing



King Solomon wrote that life, apart from God was

King Solomon had turned
away from _____
and ____

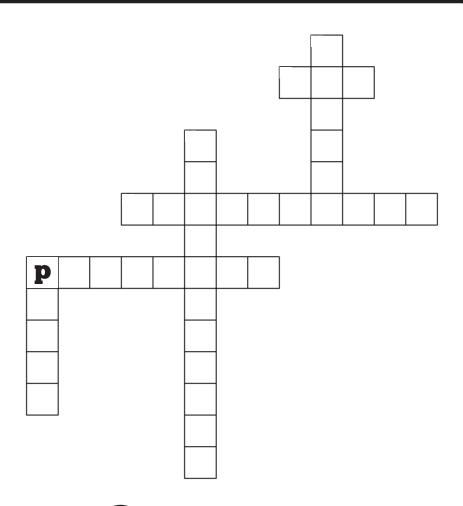
God.

King Solomon learned the greatest _____

and _____ in

life comes from having a

relationship with God.





What are some meaningless things people try to find joy in?



How can I make God a priority in life?





APPLICATION VERSE: John 3:17

EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:

Let family members make visual reminders to display around your home. Gather construction paper, markers, crayons, and other craft items. Together, create wall hangings with the words: *Fear God and keep His commandments* on them. Display them throughout your home as reminders to honor God and follow His commandments.

TODAY I LEARNED . . .

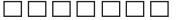
God has a plan for our lives.

NEXT STEP

Remember to fear God and obey His commandments.

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SCRIPTURE: Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:14

FAMILY THEME: The Purpose of Man

BIBLE BASICS:

With your family, review Romans 6:23 and Philippians 2:10-11.

FIELD NOTES

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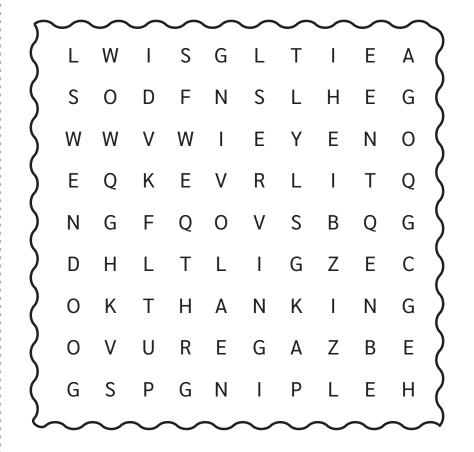
PURPOSE FOCUSED ON GOD

WORD BANK:

good news, helping, love, loving, praising, serving, tell, thanking

1.	We worship God by,
	, and
	Him for all the things in our lives.

- 2. We remember to _____ others by ____ and ____ them.
- 3. We _____ others about the _____ of Jesus.





How are you honoring God?







APPLICATION VERSE: 2 Corinthians 5:17

EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:

Have two piles of the same amount of clothing and choose two family members to race against each other to put on the most clothing. Either give a time limit or see who can put on the most clothing in the shortest amount of time. Allow different family members to have a turn. Talk about how we can replace the old way of living by putting on the new way of living in Jesus.

TODAY I LEARNED . . .

As believers in Jesus, we can replace the old way of living with the new way found in Him.

NEXT STEP

Make choices that show others that my identity is found in Christ.

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SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 5:1-21

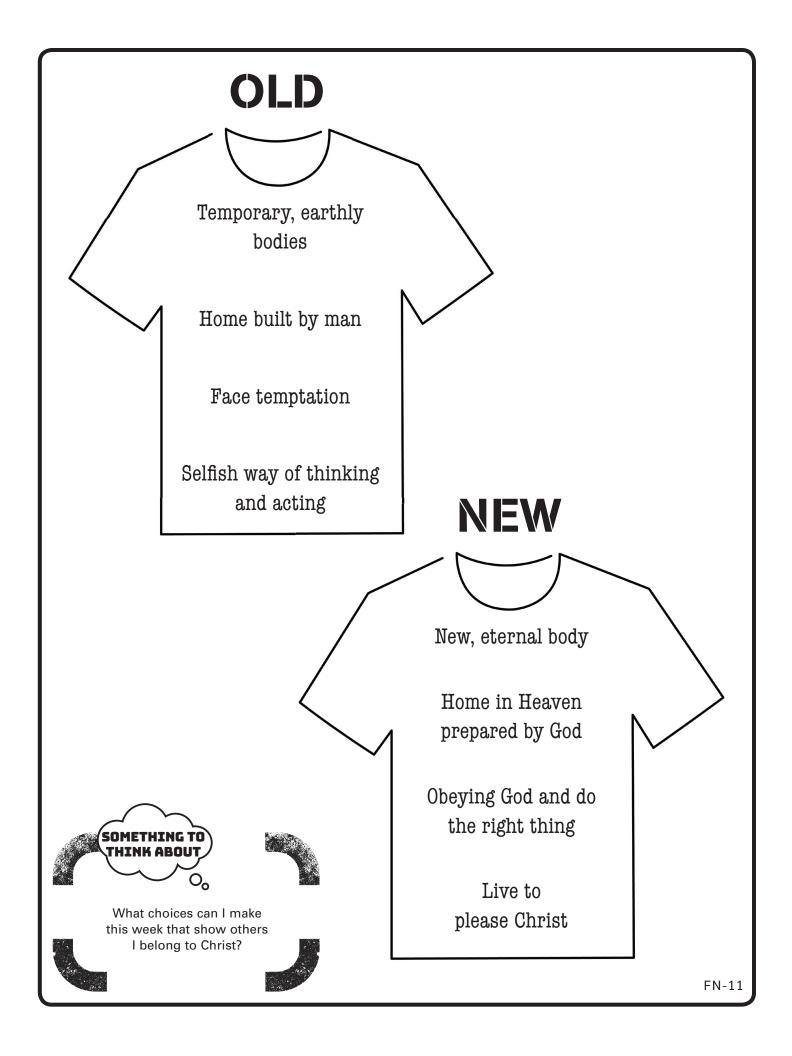
FAMILY THEME: Representatives of Christ

BIBLE BASICS:

With your family, memorize 2 Corinthians 5:17.

FIELD NOTES

Property of





APPLICATION VERSE: 2 Corinthians 5:17

EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:

Allow different family members to press various items in Play-Doh and show the imprints to each other. Talk about how our actions and words have either a positive or negative impact on others (give specific examples of both). Remind family members to use their words and actions to build others up and have a good impact on those around them.

TODAY I LEARNED . . .

Paul influenced others with his testimony and obedience.

NEXT STEP

Impact others through my testimony and obedience to God.

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scripture: 2 Corinthians 6:1-7:1

FAMILY THEME: Set Apart for Christ

BIBLE BASICS: What is the role of the Father? The Father loves the Son (John 3:35). He providentially cares for the world and all who are in it (Matthew 6:26). He reveals Jesus to people (Matthew 16:17) and draws them to Him (John 6:44). He forgives sins (Matthew 6:14). He listens to and answers prayers (Matthew 6:9-13). He sends the Holy Spirit to mankind (John 14:26). He keeps believers from the devil (John 10:29), and He sends them out in His service (John 20:21).

FIELD NOTES

Property of

True or False

1. Paul and Saul were the same person.

TRUE OR FALSE

2. Paul was always a follower of Jesus.

TRUE OR FALSE

- 3. Saul had a life-changing encounter with Jesus when traveling to Damascus. **TRUE OR FALSE**
- 4. Everyone was happy with the message Saul shared about Jesus. **TRUE OR FALSE**
- 5. Paul shared his testimony with people wherever he was. **TRUE OR FALSE**
- 6. Paul wrote many letters to encourage believers and remind them to live in obedience to God.

TRUE OR FALSE

7. Paul's words and actions often caused people to trust his message about Jesus.

TRUE OR FALSE

- 8. Because Paul was a follower of Jesus, his life was always easy. **TRUE OR FALSE**
- Paul's troubles became part of his testimony.
 TRUE OR FALSE
- 10. Paul influenced people because of his obedience to God and his love and joy for Jesus.

TRUE OR FALSE





Does your testimony keep people from knowing Jesus or influence them to grow closer to Him?





APPLICATION VERSE: 2 Corinthians 5:17

EXPLORE WITH YOUR FAMILY:

Allow family members to carefully lift some weights (or books, cans of food, etc.). Discuss why various people can lift different weights and how you grow stronger (diet, exercise, lifting heavier items, etc.). Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 and talk about how God helps us grow stronger as we go through difficult times.

TODAY I LEARNED . . .

Paul's relationship with God grew stronger because of the thorn in his flesh.

NEXT STEP

Rely on God's Holy Spirit, other believers, and His Word for strength during difficult times.

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SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10



BIBLE BASICS:

With your family, review John 3:16-17 and 2 Corinthians 5:17.

FIELD NOTES

Property of

Rely on God's Strength When You Are Weak

WORD BANK:

grace, helps, hope, power, protects, strength, strong, weak

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Ephesians 6:10—Be	in the
Lord and in His mighty	_ •

Isaiah 40:31—People who have			
in the Lord will get more			

2 Corinthians 12:9-10—God told Paul			
that His	_ was good enough to		
get him through anyt	thing. When Paul was		
, he fou	nd strength in God.		

Psalm 46:1— God	_us and
gives us strength. He always	
us when we have troubles.	

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How can I allow my "thorns" to strengthen my relationship with God?

